

Sixty-third
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1307

Introduced by

Representatives Grande, Brandenburg, Heller, Meier, Rohr

Senators Klein, G. Lee, Sitte, Sorvaag

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to descriptions of elementary and high school content.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

- 4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Elementary grades - High school courses - Description of content.**

- 7 1. Each school district shall make available a description of the content to be covered in
8 each elementary grade and each high school course.
- 9 2. a. The description must be readily comprehensible by a parent who is not trained as
10 a teacher and must be sufficiently detailed to allow parental monitoring of a
11 student's academic progress throughout the school calendar.
- 12 b. The description must include a tentative schedule of dates for tests and major
13 assignments and an articulation of the grading policy applicable to the
14 elementary grade or high school course.
- 15 c. The description must contain a listing, by school and grade, of contact
16 information for each elementary teacher and a listing, by course, of contact
17 information for each high school teacher.
- 18 3. The information required by this section must be published on each school district's
19 web page and on the web page of an individual school, if one is maintained. The
20 information must also be provided in written form, upon request.
- 21 4. a. If a student's parent believes that a teacher is deviating from the description
22 required in accordance with this section, the parent may file an oral or written
23 complaint with the principal.

1 b. Within five working days of receiving a complaint, the principal shall meet with the
2 teacher, assess the merits of the complaint, and notify the parent and the teacher
3 of any findings and, if applicable, any recommendations for corrective measures.

4 c. The principal shall provide a copy of the parental complaint and the principal's
5 findings and recommendations to the school district superintendent.

6 5. The principal shall monitor the teacher to ensure that the corrective measures are
7 implemented and shall provide continued monitoring during the remainder of the
8 school year. The principal shall document the nature and scope of the monitoring
9 activities required under this section.

10 6. If a parent believes that the matter has not been satisfactorily addressed by the
11 principal, the parent may file an oral or written complaint with the board of the school
12 district. The board shall provide an opportunity for the parent to present the parent's
13 complaint at the next regularly scheduled meeting of the board.

14 7. All documents generated under this section become a permanent part of the teacher's
15 personnel file.