FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2329

Introduced by

Senators Unruh, Larsen, Miller

Representatives Grande, B. Koppelman, Thoreson

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-23-09 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to home education.

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

4 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 15.1-23-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is

5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6	15.1-23-09. Home education - Standardized achievement test <u>- Exemption</u> .				
7	<u>1.</u>	<u>a.</u>	Whi	le in grades four, six, eight, and ten, each child receiving home education	
8			sha	II take a <u>:</u>	
9			(1)	A standardized achievement test used by the school district in which the	
10				child resides <u>;</u> or , if requested by the parent, shall take a	
11			<u>(2)</u>	A nationally normed standardized achievement test if requested by the	
12				child's parent.	
13		<u>b.</u>	The	child shall take the test in the child's learning environment or, if requested by	
14			the	child's parent, in a public school. An individual licensed to teach by the	
15			edu	cation standards and practices board or approved to teach by the education	
16			star	ndards and practices board shall administer the test.	
17	<u>2.</u>	<u>a.</u>	<u>The</u>	requirement of subsection 1 does not apply if the parent notifies the school	
18			<u>dist</u>	rict in which the child resides that the parent has a philosophical, moral, or	
19			<u>relig</u>	gious objection to the use of standardized achievement tests and the parent:	
20			<u>(1)</u>	Is licensed to teach by the education standards and practices board or	
21				approved to teach by the education standards and practices board;	
22			<u>(2)</u>	Holds a baccalaureate degree; or	

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1		(3) Has met or exceeded the cutoff score of a national teacher examination
2		given in this state or in any other state if this state does not offer such an
3		examination.
4	<u>b.</u>	The parent shall file the notification and necessary documentation required by
5		this subsection with the school district at the same time that the parent files the
6		statement of intent to supervise home education required by section 15.1-23-02.