Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1216

Introduced by

Representatives Wardner, Aarsvold, Drovdal Senators Freborg, Kelsh

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-38 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the initial certification of teachers.

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

- SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 15-38 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 6 Education standards and practices board Initial certification of teachers -
- 7 **Background.** The education standards and practices board shall check, or cause to be
- 8 checked, the background of each applicant for initial certification as a teacher. The board shall
- 9 require each applicant for certification to file a complete set of the applicant's fingerprints, taken
- 10 by a law enforcement officer, with the bureau of criminal investigation for state processing and
- 11 with the federal bureau of investigation for federal processing. All costs associated with the
- 12 background check and with obtaining and processing the fingerprints are the responsibility of
- 13 the applicant.