

**SECOND ENGROSSMENT  
with Conference Committee Amendments**

Fifty-eighth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2282**

Introduced by

Senator Kilzer

Representative Svedjan

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15-52-03, 15-52-04, 15-52-16, 15-52-17,  
2 15-52-18, and 15-52-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the membership and  
3 duties of the medical center advisory council and medical center loans; and to repeal sections  
4 15-52-19 and 15-52-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to medical center loan  
5 payments and loan insurance.

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

7 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-52-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
8 amended and reenacted as follows:

9 **15-52-03. Medical center advisory council - Members, terms, meetings.** ~~In order to~~

10 1. To assure the proper coordination and integration of the North Dakota state  
11 medical center with all other health and welfare activities of the state, a permanent  
12 medical center advisory council is ~~hereby~~ established to advise, consult, and make  
13 recommendations to the university administration, and to the several agencies  
14 represented on the council concerning the program of the North Dakota state  
15 medical center, the adaptation ~~thereof~~ of the medical center to the needs of the  
16 state and to the requirements and facilities of the several agencies involved, and  
17 the use of the North Dakota state medical center and its facilities by the various  
18 institutions and agencies of the state and its political subdivisions.

19 2. The council ~~shall consist~~ consists of fourteen members: ~~two~~

20 a. Two members of the senate and two members of the house of  
21 representatives to be named by the governor; one to be named by and from  
22 the membership of selected by the chairman of the legislative council;

23 b. One member selected by each of the following: the

24 (1) The department of human services; the

- 1                   (2) ~~The state board of higher education, or such boards or departments as~~  
2                   ~~shall succeed them or any of them; the~~
- 3                   (3) ~~The state health officer of the state~~ department of health; ~~the~~
- 4                   (4) ~~The~~ North Dakota medical association; ~~the~~
- 5                   (5) ~~The~~ North Dakota ~~hospital~~ healthcare association; ~~the and~~
- 6                   (6) ~~The~~ veterans administration hospital in Fargo; ~~the house of~~  
7                   ~~representatives, appointed by the speaker; and the senate, appointed~~  
8                   ~~by the president of the senate; with the remaining four members to be~~
- 9                   c. One member selected by the dean of the university of North Dakota medical  
10                  school from each of the four campus areas of the medical school with  
11                  headquarters in Bismarck, Fargo, Grand Forks, and Minot. ~~One member~~  
12                  ~~from each quadrant will be selected by the board to serve a three-year term~~  
13                  ~~with a two-term limit. The initial appointments must be staggered.~~
- 14                3. The representatives named by the state agencies and boards ~~above referred to~~  
15                must be selected to serve as members of the medical center advisory council for  
16                periods of at least one year, but ~~in no instance~~ may they not serve longer than  
17                their term of office on the public agency. The representatives from the North  
18                Dakota state medical association and the North Dakota ~~hospital~~ healthcare  
19                association ~~shall~~ serve a term of three years or until their successors are named  
20                and qualified. ~~The two members appointed by the governor shall serve for~~  
21                ~~three-year terms as representatives of the public at large.~~
- 22                4. The council shall name its own chairman and the dean of the university of North  
23                Dakota medical school shall serve as executive secretary ~~thereof~~ of the council.  
24                The council shall meet not less than twice each year, and, from time to time, on its  
25                own motion or upon request of the university administration, to consider plans and  
26                programs of action for the North Dakota state medical center and make its  
27                recommendations ~~thereon~~ to the several agencies of the state and its political  
28                subdivisions involved and to the legislative assembly.

29                **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-52-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
30                amended and reenacted as follows:

1           **15-52-04. Duties of council.** The medical center advisory council shall study,  
2 consider, and formulate plans for facilitating and implementing, through ~~the instrumentality of~~  
3 the North Dakota state medical center, a unified program for the improvement and maintenance  
4 of the health of the people of ~~North Dakota~~ the state in all of its phases, ~~and such.~~ The study  
5 must include specifically ways and means of bringing about the complete training of adequate  
6 numbers of qualified physicians and surgeons for the people of ~~North Dakota~~ the state, both in  
7 the general practice of medicine and surgery and the field of public health, ~~the training of~~  
8 ~~nurses and public health nurses,~~ of allied health professionals, ~~of sanitary engineers, of public~~  
9 ~~health administrators,~~ and all other personnel concerned with the improvement and  
10 preservation of the health of the people of ~~North Dakota~~ this state.

11           **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-52-16 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
12 amended and reenacted as follows:

13           **15-52-16. Qualifications of loan applicants.** An applicant is deemed qualified only if  
14 the applicant:

- 15           1. Has been a resident of ~~the~~ this state of North Dakota at least one year ~~prior to~~  
16 before the date of entering medical school or dental school;
- 17           2. Has successfully completed the first year of the curriculum in medicine at the  
18 university of North Dakota or has successfully completed the first year of the  
19 curriculum in dentistry in ~~a qualified and reputable~~ an accredited dental school;  
20 and
- 21           3. Can present to the university satisfactory proof that the applicant ~~has been~~  
22 accepted is enrolled as a student in the second, third, or fourth year of a qualified  
23 ~~and reputable four-year~~ school of medicine accredited by the liaison committee on  
24 medical education or a school of dentistry accredited by the commission on dental  
25 accreditation, or will be ~~so accepted~~ enrolled upon payment of tuition.

26           **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-52-17 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
27 amended and reenacted as follows:

28           **15-52-17. Loan investigations.** The university shall make a careful investigation to  
29 ascertain the truth of all matters set forth in applications received by it, ~~and for that purpose~~  
30 ~~may propound such examinations and questions for each applicant as it deems proper.~~ The  
31 ~~investigation must include~~ including a study of the ~~ability of the applicant or the applicant's~~

1 ~~parents to pay the applicant's expenses at the university of North Dakota school of medicine or~~  
2 ~~an out of state medical or dental school, and preference~~ financial need of the applicant.  
3 Preference must be given to qualified applicants ~~who, or whose parents, are unable to pay the~~  
4 ~~applicant's expenses at such medical or dental school~~ with demonstrated financial need.

5         **SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-52-18 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7         **15-52-18. Amount of loans.** Loans may be granted to qualified applicants by the  
8 university in amounts not in excess of ~~four~~ six thousand dollars each year for the purpose of  
9 completing the second, third, and fourth year of medical or dental study in ~~a qualified and~~  
10 ~~reputable four-year~~ an accredited school of medicine or dentistry.

11         **SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-52-20 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
12 amended and reenacted as follows:

13         **15-52-20. Loan conditions.** ~~Loans~~ A loan granted by the university under section  
14 15-52-10 and sections 15-52-15 through 15-52-28 ~~are to~~ must be upon the condition that the  
15 full amount ~~thereof~~ of the loan must be repaid in cash with interest not to exceed six percent  
16 ~~interest~~ annually from the date of each payment pursuant to a loan agreement, ~~the~~. The  
17 medical center advisory council may annually establish an interest rate at a level lower than six  
18 percent. The repayment ~~to~~ must be in yearly installments on a schedule set by the university  
19 ~~and with~~ with the first installment becoming due and payable one year from the date on which the  
20 applicant begins practice, but ~~under no circumstances to~~ may not exceed five years from the  
21 date of graduation or one year from the date of graduation from a dental school if a dental  
22 student.

23         **SECTION 7. REPEAL.** Sections 15-52-19 and 15-52-24 of the North Dakota Century  
24 Code are repealed.