

SENATE BILL NO. 2173

Introduced by

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Representative Ruby

1 A BILL for an Act to plan the merger of the North Dakota vision services - school for the blind
2 with the North Dakota school for the deaf.

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

4 **SECTION 1. North Dakota vision services - school for the blind - School for the**
5 **deaf - Merger - Presentation of plan.**

- 6 1. The superintendent of public instruction shall develop a plan under which the North
7 Dakota vision services - school for the blind and the school for the deaf will be
8 merged and located on the premises of the school for the deaf in Devils Lake. The
9 plan must address the effective and efficient delivery of services, transportation,
10 staffing, administration, governance, the short-term and long-term utilization of
11 facilities, the cost of merging the institutions, and any other matters necessary to
12 affect the merger. The plan must also include a practical timeframe within which
13 the merger will take place.
- 14 2. The superintendent of public instruction shall prepare legislation implementing the
15 plan and present the legislation to the sixty-first legislative assembly for its
16 consideration.