Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1527

Introduced by

Representatives Maki, Hoverson, S. Olson, Osowski, Tveit, VanWinkle Senators Clemens, Paulson, Weston

- 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 required Holocaust education; and to provide for a legislative
- 3 management report.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 7 Holocaust education Report.
- 8 1. In this section:

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 a. "Antisemitism" means a certain perception of Jews, which may be expressed as
 hatred toward Jews, and may be manifested physically or rhetorically toward
 individuals, property, community institutions, and religious facilities.
- b. "Holocaust" means the systematic, bureaucratic, state-sponsored persecution
 and murder of approximately six million Jews by the Third Reich and its allies and
 collaborators during World War II.
 - c. "Nazi" means the national socialist German workers' party, a political party that rose to power in 1933 and governed Germany until 1945.
 - 2. Each school district shall provide grade-level appropriate Holocaust education.
- 18 3. Holocaust education must be incorporated into the United States history curriculum
 19 required under section 15.1-21-02.2. The curriculum must include the:
 - <u>a.</u> Causes and ramifications of the Holocaust;
- b. History of antisemitism and the Holocaust, including the Third Reich dictatorship,
 concentration camp system, persecution of Jews and non-Jews, Jewish and
 non-Jewish resistance, and post-World War II trials;

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1 Impact of personal responsibility, civic engagement, and societal response in the 2 context of the Holocaust; 3 <u>d.</u> Connection between national, ethnic, racial, and religious intolerance and the 4 subjects described in subdivisions a and b; 5 Leading role played by the United States and the armed forces of the United <u>e.</u> 6 States; and 7 Definition, history, response, and actions taken in the face of the Holocaust. 8 The superintendent of public instruction shall report on or before July first of each year 9 to the governor and the legislative management regarding the implementation of this 10 section, including the number of schools complying with this section.