Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1498**

Introduced by

Representatives Maki, Monson, Richter

Senator Schaible

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-09 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the authority of a school board to pay a first-year signing bonus for
- 3 teachers.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15.1-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 7 School board authority First-year bonus Payment.
- 8 <u>1.</u> The board of a school district may offer a first-year signing bonus to an individual who:
  - a. Is licensed or approved by the education standards and practices board;
- b. Has signed a contract of employment in the district; and
- 11 <u>c.</u> <u>Was not a classroom teacher in the state during the previous school year.</u>
- 12 <u>2.</u> A bonus paid under this section:
- 13 <u>a.</u> <u>Is in addition to an amount payable under a negotiated teachers' contract.</u>
- b. May not be included in the district's negotiated salary schedule.
- 15 <u>c. May not be included as salary for continuing contract purposes.</u>