

HOUSE BILL NO. 1320

Introduced by

Representatives Grande, Nelson, Sandvig

Senators O'Connell, Wanzek

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-40.1 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code or in the alternative to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-27 of the
3 North Dakota Century Code, relating to a contingent tuition reimbursement for nonpublic school
4 students.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** If House Bill No. 1045 does not become effective, a new section to
7 chapter 15-40.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

8 **Contingent funds - Partial tuition reimbursement.**

- 9 1. If funds appropriated by the legislative assembly to the grants - foundation aid and
10 transportation line item remain after completion of all statutory obligations, the
11 superintendent of public instruction shall distribute, within the limits of legislative
12 appropriations, partial tuition reimbursements to parents as provided for in this
13 section.
- 14 2. During the month of March, the parent of any student who attended a nonpublic
15 school since the beginning of the school year may apply to the superintendent of
16 public instruction for a partial reimbursement of the funds expended by the parent
17 on behalf of the student for tuition at a nonpublic elementary or high school in this
18 state. A parent applying for reimbursement under this section shall submit to the
19 superintendent of public instruction a receipt showing payment in full of the tuition
20 owed for the current school year.
- 21 3. A parent applying for reimbursement under this section is entitled to receive an
22 amount equal to the lesser of:
- 23 a. Ten percent of the tuition paid to the school by the parent;

- b. The amount of the state tuition fund apportioned per student by the superintendent of public instruction under section 15-44-03; or
- c. The amount available under subsection 1 prorated among all the students qualified under subsection 2.

SECTION 2. A new section to chapter 15.1-27 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

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1. If funds appropriated by the legislative assembly to the grants - foundation aid and transportation line item remain after completion of all statutory obligations, the superintendent of public instruction shall distribute, within the limits of legislative appropriations, partial tuition reimbursements to parents as provided for in this section.
2. During the month of March, the parent of any student who attended a nonpublic school since the beginning of the school year may apply to the superintendent of public instruction for a partial reimbursement of the funds expended by the parent on behalf of the student for tuition at a nonpublic elementary or high school in this state. A parent applying for reimbursement under this section shall submit to the superintendent of public instruction a receipt showing payment in full of the tuition owed for the current school year.
3. A parent applying for reimbursement under this section is entitled to receive an amount equal to the lesser of:
 - a. Ten percent of the tuition paid to the school by the parent;
 - b. The amount of the state tuition fund apportioned per student by the superintendent of public instruction under section 15.1-28-03; or
 - c. The amount available under subsection 1 prorated among all the students qualified under subsection 2.