

**Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003**

SENATE BILL NO. 2418  
(Senators Cook, Freborg, Stenehjem)  
(Representatives Berg, R. Kelsch, Monson)  
(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

AN ACT to create a select committee regarding implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001; and to declare an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND ACT OF 2001 - SELECT COMMITTEE - APPOINTMENT - DUTIES.**

1. The legislative council shall appoint a select committee consisting of five members of the senate and six members of the house of representatives for the purpose of investigating the adoption of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001 [Pub. L. 107-110; 115 Stat. 1425; 20 U.S.C. 6301 et seq.], its rationale, the promulgation of any federal regulations implementing the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, the direct and indirect impact of the Act and its regulations on the school districts of this state, and the financial impact of the Act and its regulations on the budget of this state and on the taxpayers of this state.
2. The legislative council shall designate the chairman and vice chairman of the committee.
3. The committee shall operate under the rules applicable to other legislative council committees, except the committee has the power to communicate directly with the United States secretary of education, employees of the United States department of education, and any other federal officials, both elected and appointed, regarding implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.
4. When an agency files a notice of proposed rulemaking with the office of the legislative council under subsection 1 of section 28-32-10 on any matter governed by the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, the agency shall provide a copy of the notice to the chairman of the committee. The chairman shall convene the committee within sixty days of receiving the notice, or as soon thereafter as practicable, for the purpose of receiving a presentation by the agency regarding the nature and scope of the proposed rules and for the purpose of receiving presentations by members of the public regarding the nature and scope of the proposed rules.
5. The committee shall report to the fifty-ninth legislative assembly if the committee determines the state is not in compliance with any requirement of the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001.

**SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2418 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote:      Yeas          45                  Nays          1                  Absent      1

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote:      Yeas          74                  Nays          13                  Absent      7

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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003,

at \_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State