

**Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005**

SENATE BILL NO. 2260
(Senators Seymour, Erbele, Flakoll, Holmberg)
(Representatives Herbel, Horter)

AN ACT to create and enact a new chapter to title 15.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to early childhood education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new chapter to title 15.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Early childhood education program - Approval. Any person or school district operating an early childhood education program may request approval of the program from the superintendent of public instruction. The superintendent shall approve an early childhood education program if the program:

1. Is taught by individuals who are licensed to teach in early childhood education by the education standards and practices board;
2. Follows a developmentally appropriate curriculum; and
3. Is in compliance with all municipal and state health, fire, and safety requirements.

Per student funding will not be provided to individuals or school districts offering a prekindergarten program.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2260.

Senate Vote: Yeas 46 Nays 0 Absent 1

House Vote: Yeas 54 Nays 37 Absent 3

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2005.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2005.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2005,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State