

**Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Wednesday, January 3, 2007**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1178  
(Representatives Monson, Damschen)  
(Senator Olafson)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 33 of chapter 167 of the 2005 Session Laws, relating to the payment of school district reorganization bonuses; and to declare an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 33 of chapter 167 of the 2005 Session Laws is amended and reenacted as follows:

**SECTION 33. APPROPRIATION - REORGANIZATION BONUSES - CONTINGENCY.**

1. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$759,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the superintendent of public instruction for the purpose of providing a reorganization bonus to any school district having a reorganization effective on July 1, 2005, pursuant to section 15.1-12-11.1, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007.
2.
  - a. If any moneys remain after the superintendent of public instruction completes the payment of bonuses ~~for any reorganization effective on July 1, 2005 as required by subsection 1,~~ the superintendent shall provide a reorganization bonus to any other school district that reorganized on July 1, 2005. The total reorganization bonus to which a newly reorganized district is entitled under this subsection consists of:
    - (1) Fifty thousand dollars per one hundred-square-mile [259-square-kilometer] block, or a major portion thereof, included within the reorganized district and calculated by determining the lesser of the total square miles [kilometers] of the reorganized district or one thousand four hundred square miles [3625.98 square kilometers], and subtracting from that amount the square miles [kilometers] of the largest district or portion of a district involved in the reorganization;
    - (2) One thousand dollars per student calculated by determining the lesser of the total fall enrollment of the newly reorganized district or seven hundred fifty and subtracting from that amount the fall enrollment in the district or portion of the district that had the largest student population of those districts or portions of districts participating in the reorganization during the school year immediately preceding the effective date of the reorganization; and
    - (3) Fifty thousand dollars for each whole school district that formed the reorganized district.
  - b. The superintendent of public instruction shall distribute any reorganization bonus under this subsection on the effective date of this Act.
3. The superintendent of public instruction shall use the any remaining moneys to provide additional per student payments on a prorated basis, according to the latest available average daily membership of each school district.

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

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1178 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote:      Yeas        93            Nays        0            Absent      1

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Speaker of the House

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Chief Clerk of the House

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

Vote:      Yeas        41            Nays        0            Absent      6

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007,  
at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State