

**HOUSE BILL NO.**

Introduced by

Representative R. Kelsch

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-27-41 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the North Dakota commission on education improvement.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-27-41 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-27-41. North Dakota commission on education improvement - Membership -**  
7 **Duties - Report to legislative council - Reimbursement for expenses.**

- 8 1. The North Dakota commission on education improvement consists of:
- 9 a. (1) The governor or an individual designated by the governor, who shall  
10 serve as the chairman;
- 11 (2) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the  
12 superintendent of a high school district having more than one thousand  
13 students in average daily membership;
- 14 (3) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the  
15 superintendent of a high school district having more than two hundred  
16 twenty but fewer than one thousand students in average daily  
17 membership;
- 18 (4) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the  
19 superintendent of a high school district having fewer than two hundred  
20 twenty students in average daily membership;
- 21 (5) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as a  
22 school district business manager;
- 23 (6) The chairman of the senate education committee or the chairman's  
24 designee;

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- 1                   (7) The chairman of the house education committee or the chairman's  
2                   designee;
- 3                   (8) The senate minority leader or the leader's designee;
- 4                   (9) One legislator appointed by the chairman of the legislative council; and
- 5                   (10) The superintendent of public instruction or an assistant superintendent  
6                   designated by the superintendent of public instruction; and
- 7                   b. One nonvoting member representing the North Dakota council of educational  
8                   leaders, one nonvoting member representing the North Dakota education  
9                   association, and one nonvoting member representing the North Dakota school  
10                  boards association.
- 11                2. The commission shall establish its own duties and rules of operation and  
12                procedure, including rules relating to appointments, terms of office, vacancies,  
13                quorums, and meetings, provided that the duties and the rules do not conflict with  
14                any provisions of this section.
- 15                3. The members of the commission are entitled to reimbursement for actual and  
16                necessary expenses incurred in the same manner as state officials. The  
17                superintendent of public instruction shall use up to forty thousand dollars from  
18                moneys appropriated in the grants - state school aid line item in ~~section 3 of~~  
19                ~~Senate Bill No. 2013~~ \_\_\_\_\_, as approved by the ~~sixtieth~~ sixty-first legislative  
20                assembly, to provide the reimbursements.
- 21                4. The commission shall examine the current system of delivering and financing  
22                public elementary and secondary education and shall develop recommendations  
23                addressing educational adequacy, the equitable distribution of state education  
24                funds, the allocation of funding responsibility between federal, state, and local  
25                sources, and any other matters that could result in the improvement of elementary  
26                and secondary education in the state.
- 27                5. The commission shall provide periodic reports to the governor and to the legislative  
28                council.

**NOTE:** This bill draft contains blanks that must be completed before introduction.