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## FIRST ENGROSSMENT with House Amendments

Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2212

Introduced by

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Senators Bakke, Fischer, Taylor

Representatives Delmore, N. Johnson, Kingsbury

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-38-02 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to English language learners; and to provide for grant applications.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-38-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 **15.1-38-02. Program establishment.** The superintendent of public instruction shall:
  - Appoint a state advisory committee to assist with the establishment and administration of English language learner programs and the state English language proficiency assessment;
- 10 2. Establish standards for English language learner programs;
- Establish student caseload criteria for English language learner teachers, deviation
  from which may not affect the accreditation or funding level of a school district;
- 13 <u>4.</u> Ensure that the English language learner programs use effective research-based methods to teach the students;
- 4. <u>5.</u> Assist school districts with the development and administration of English
  language learner programs and services;
- 17 <u>5. 6.</u> Employ a program administrator and other necessary personnel; and
- 18 6. 7. Coordinate federal, state, and local funding to maximize the services available to students.
- 20 **SECTION 2. REGIONAL EDUCATION ASSOCIATION GRANTS.** Each regional 21 education association in this state may apply to the superintendent for grants to purchase or 22 otherwise acquire instructional materials for the enhancement of English language learner 23 services to students in the association's participating districts and to provide professional

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- 1 development opportunities for teachers of English language learners, for the biennium
- 2 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011.