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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1400

Page 1, line 4, replace "three" with "and four" and remove ", and sections 15.1-37-02,"

Page 1, line 5, remove "15.1-37-03, 15.1-37-04, 15.1-37-05, and 15.1-37-06"

Page 1, line 8, after "15.1-27-04" insert ", 15.1-27-07.1"

Page 17, after line 12, insert:

> "j.   0.20 the number of students enrolled, beginning with the 2010-11 school year, in an early childhood education program that is approved under section 15.1-37-01, that meets the requirements of section 36 of this Act, and which provides at least two half days of instruction during each week of the school calendar;"

Page 17, line 13, replace "j." with "k."

Page 17, line 17, overstrike "k." and insert immediately thereafter "l."

Page 17, line 19, replace "l." with "m."

Page 17, line 24, replace "m." with "n."

Page 17, line 28, replace "n." with "o."

Page 18, line 3, replace "o." with "p."

Page 18, after line 20, insert:

> "**SECTION 23. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-27-07.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

> **15.1-27-07.1. ~~Kindergarten~~ Early childhood education program payments - Determination.** Notwithstanding ~~the provisions of~~ section 15.1-27-35, the superintendent of public instruction shall determine the payments to which a school district is entitled for providing ~~full-time kindergarten~~ an early childhood education program during the ~~2008-09~~ 2010-11 school year by using the district's ~~2008 kindergarten~~ 2010 early childhood education program fall enrollment count."

Page 31, replace lines 1 through 31 with:

> "**SECTION 36.** A new section to chapter 15.1-37 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

> **Early childhood education program - Eligibility for per student payments.** To be eligible for funding under subdivision j of subsection 1 of section 15.1-27-03.1, an approved early childhood program must:

     <u>1.</u>   <u>Use a screening test approved by the superintendent of public instruction</u>
          <u>to ensure the developmental readiness of each student seeking admission</u>
          <u>to the program;</u>

     <u>2.</u>   <u>Limit enrollment in the program to students who have reached the age of</u>
          <u>four before September first of the year of enrollment and who are not</u>
          <u>enrolled in an approved kindergarten program; and</u>

     <u>3.</u>   <u>Be operated by or on behalf of a school district.</u>"

Page 32, remove lines 1 through 31

Page 33, remove lines 1 through 14

Page 40, line 11, replace "50" with "46"

Renumber accordingly