PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2001

This amendment is for consideration for inclusion in a set of amendments under consideration regarding Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2001.

Page 1, line 2, after "reenact" insert "section 15.1-27-41 and"

Page 1, line 3, after "to" insert "the North Dakota commission on education improvement and"

Page 4, after line 11, insert:

"**SECTION 7. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-27-41 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

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

- 1. The <u>legislative council shall appoint the members of the North Dakota commission on education improvement consists of:</u>
 - a. (1) The governor or an individual designated by the governor, who shall serve as the chairman;
 - (2) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the superintendent of a high school district having more than one thousand students in average daily membership;
 - (3) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the superintendent of a high school district having more than two hundred twenty but fewer than one thousand students in average daily membership:
 - (4) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as the superintendent of a high school district having fewer than two hundred twenty students in average daily membership;
 - (5) One individual, appointed by the governor, who is employed as a school district business manager;
 - (6) The chairman of the senate education committee or the chairman's designee;
 - (7) The chairman of the house education committee or the chairman's designee;
 - (8) The senate minority leader or the leader's designee;
 - (9) One legislator appointed by the chairman of the legislative council; and

- (10) The superintendent of public instruction or an assistant superintendent designated by the superintendent of public instruction; and
- b. One nonvoting member representing the North Dakota council of educational leaders, one nonvoting member representing the North Dakota education association, and one nonvoting member representing the North Dakota school boards association.
- 2. The commission shall establish its own duties and rules of operation and procedure, including rules relating to appointments, terms of office, vacancies, quorums, and meetings, provided that the duties and the rules do not conflict with any provisions of this section.
- 3. The members of the commission are entitled to reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the same manner as state officials. The superintendent of public instruction shall use up to forty thousand dollars from moneys appropriated in the grants state school aid line item in section 3 of Senate Bill No. 2013, as approved by the sixtieth legislative assembly, to provide the reimbursements and shall designate the chairman and the vice chairman of the commission.
- 2. The commission shall operate under the rules applicable to legislative council committees.
- 4. 3. The commission shall examine:
 - <u>Examine</u> the current system of delivering and financing public elementary and secondary education and shall develop recommendations addressing educational adequacy, the equitable distribution of state education funds, the allocation of funding responsibility between federal, state, and local sources, and any other matters that could result in the improvement of elementary and secondary education in the state;
 - b. Examine the state's high school graduation requirements, curricular standards, and assessments to ensure that students have the academic skills necessary to move seamlessly and without remediation from high schools to institutions of higher education or to meet the performance levels expected by employers;
 - c. Examine the measures enacted by the most recent legislative assembly to improve student performance, confirm their full implementation, and recommend future measures for continued improvement; and
 - d. Examine the measures enacted by the most recent legislative assembly to improve the quality of instruction, confirm their full implementation, and recommend future measures for continued improvement.
- 5. <u>4.</u> The commission shall provide periodic reports to the governor and report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the legislative council."

Page 4, line 28, replace "7" with "8"

Page 4, line 29, replace "8" with "9"

Renumber accordingly