

**SECOND ENGROSSMENT  
with House Amendments**

Sixty-first  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2266**

Introduced by

Senators J. Lee, Seymour, Warner

Representatives Delmore, Klein, Kreidt

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-11-39 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the nursing education consortium; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to  
3 provide an appropriation; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-11-39 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **15-11-39. Nursing education consortium - Continuing appropriation.**

- 8 1. The university of North Dakota college of nursing shall establish and administer a  
9 nursing education consortium for the purpose of addressing common concerns in  
10 nursing education which produce obstacles in meeting the state's current and  
11 future nursing needs, with a focus on the specific needs of rural communities.
- 12 2. The consortium membership must include representation of the university of North  
13 Dakota college of nursing, the university of North Dakota center for rural health,  
14 and the board of nursing. In addition, each nursing program in this state which is  
15 approved by the board of nursing and each nursing program with approval pending  
16 which is located in this state must be invited to have representation in the  
17 consortium. The consortium members may invite interested persons to join the  
18 consortium membership or to participate in consortium activities. Interested  
19 persons may include the North Dakota nurses association nursing practice council  
20 leadership team; North Dakota hospital association; workforce partners, including  
21 job service North Dakota, the department of commerce division of workforce  
22 development, rural leadership of North Dakota, and the North Dakota workforce  
23 development council; employer partners; and other interested public and private  
24 parties. ~~The dean of the university of North Dakota college of nursing shall serve~~

1 ~~as chairman of the consortium from July 1, 2007, through December 31, 2009,~~  
2 ~~during which the dean shall report to the legislative council. After 2009,~~  
3 ~~consortium members shall select the chairman must be chosen by the members.~~

4 3. ~~If the consortium secures nonstate funds to cover the capital costs of a mobile~~  
5 ~~clinical nursing simulation laboratory program, the consortium may establish a~~  
6 ~~mobile clinical nursing simulation laboratory program to travel the state and~~  
7 ~~provide clinical education for nursing students of nursing education programs in~~  
8 ~~the state and provide clinical education on current and emerging approaches to~~  
9 ~~nursing excellence to medical facility staff.~~

10 4. ~~If the consortium establishes a mobile clinical nursing simulation laboratory~~  
11 ~~program, the~~ The consortium shall establish advise university of North Dakota  
12 officials regarding strategies to address common concerns in nursing education  
13 which produce obstacles in meeting the state's current and future nursing needs,  
14 specific needs of rural communities, and development of a strategic plan for the  
15 ongoing activities of the simulation laboratory program initiative, including goals  
16 and benchmarks for the implementation of the simulation laboratory ~~program~~  
17 initiative.

18 5. 4. The consortium may contract with a third party in conducting the duties of the  
19 consortium and may seek, receive, and accept from any source aid or  
20 contributions of money, property, labor, or other things of value to be held, used,  
21 and applied to carry out the purposes of the consortium. Any money received by  
22 the consortium as gifts, grants, or donations is appropriated as a continuing  
23 appropriation for the purpose of funding the simulation laboratory program and the  
24 activities of the consortium.

25 **SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - SIMULATION LABORATORY INITIATIVE.** It is  
26 the intent of the sixty-first legislative assembly that the funds appropriated in section 3 of this  
27 Act must be used by the university of North Dakota to support a simulation laboratory initiative  
28 that includes basic simulation centers for use at each of the nursing education sites in the state,  
29 which are located at Bismarck state college, Dickinson state university, Fort Berthold  
30 community college, Jamestown college, Lake Region state college, Medcenter One college of  
31 nursing, Minot state university, Minot state university-Bottineau, North Dakota state college of

1 science, North Dakota state university, Sitting Bull college, United Tribes technical college,  
2 university of Mary, university of North Dakota, and Williston state college. The initiative must  
3 include a basic simulation model, essential equipment, and staff to serve all locations in an  
4 integrated way.

5 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated from federal funds made  
6 available to the state under the federal American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, from  
7 other grants, or from other funds available within the university system's 2009-11 biennium  
8 budget, the sum of \$2,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, and from special  
9 funds derived from federal funds, the sum of \$2,590,198, or so much of the sum as may be  
10 necessary, to the university of North Dakota for the purpose of funding the costs of a simulation  
11 laboratory initiative under section 1 of this Act, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, and  
12 ending June 30, 2011.