

Introduced by

Senators Marcellais, Heckaman, Schaible, Schneider

Representatives Onstad, Trottier

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-68.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to membership of the American Indian language preservation committee; and to provide
3 an appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-68.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **15-68.1-01. American Indian language preservation committee - Membership -**
8 **Meetings.**

9 1. The American Indian language preservation committee consists of:

- 10 a. The executive director of the Indian affairs commission, who shall serve as the
11 chairman;
- 12 b. The superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee; and
- 13 c. ~~An individual employed as a faculty member at a tribal college, appointed by the~~
14 ~~governor;~~
- 15 d. ~~The director of the state historical society;~~
- 16 e. ~~The chairman of the North Dakota humanities council;~~
- 17 f. ~~The chairman of the university of North Dakota department of Indian studies or~~
18 ~~the chairman's designee; and~~
- 19 g. ~~One individual with experience in the development of curriculum pertaining to and~~
20 ~~the teaching of American Indian languages at the elementary or high school~~
21 ~~levels, appointed by the governor~~One individual appointed by the president of
22 each tribal college in this state.

23 2. The committee shall meet at least quarterly, at the call of the chairman.

1 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general
2 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$150,000, or so much of the
3 sum as may be necessary, to the Indian affairs commission for the purpose of funding programs
4 to preserve American Indian languages, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending
5 June 30, 2015.