

Sixty-seventh
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1114

Introduced by

Representatives Heinert, Owens

Senator Schaible

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15.1-18.2-05 and 15.1-18.2-06 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to the expansion of the teacher support program to provide
3 mentoring to all first- and second-year teachers in the state; ~~and to provide an appropriation.~~

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-18.2-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **15.1-18.2-05. Teacher support program - Establishment.**

8 The education standards and practices board shall:

- 9 1. Establish and administer a teacher support program;
- 10 2. Employ ~~an individual~~individuals to serve as a teacher support program
11 ~~coordinator~~coordinators;
- 12 3. a. Select and train experienced teachers who will serve as mentors for
13 ~~first-year~~first- and second-year teachers and assist the ~~first-year~~first- and
14 second-year teachers with instructional skills development; or
15 b. If a school district or other employing entity listed in section 15.1-18.2-07 is not in
16 need of mentors for its ~~first-year~~first- or second-year teachers, select and train
17 experienced teachers who will work with school district administrators and
18 administrators from the other employing entities to identify the needs of ~~the-~~
19 ~~non-first-year~~ teachers with more than two years teaching experience and help
20 ~~the non-first-year~~ teachers address their particular needs through the use of:
21 (1) Research-validated interventions; and
22 (2) Proven instructional methods.

23 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-18.2-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is
24 amended and reenacted as follows:

1 **15.1-18.2-06. Teacher support program - Availability of services.**

2 1. The education standards and practices board may use any moneys it receives for the
3 teacher support program to provide staff compensation, training, evaluation, and
4 stipends for mentors and experienced teachers who assist first-year and non-first-year
5 teachers participating in the program, and to pay for any other administrative
6 expenses resulting from the program; provided, however, that the board may not
7 expend more than five percent of the moneys for administrative purposes.

8 2. Any funds provided by the department of public instruction to the education standards
9 and practices board for the teacher support program first must be used to provide
10 support to first-year teachers, if any, participating in the program, and any remaining
11 funds must be used to provide support for second-year teachers, if any, participating in
12 the program, except as provided in subsection 3 of section 15.1-18.2-05.

13 ~~— **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general~~
14 ~~fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$3,000,000, or so much of the~~
15 ~~sum as may be necessary, to the department of public instruction for the purpose of providing a~~
16 ~~grant to the education standards and practices board to administer and expand the teacher~~
17 ~~support program to provide support for all first- and second-year teachers in the state, for the~~
18 ~~biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023. The funds appropriated are in~~
19 ~~addition to funds provided in the department of public instruction's base budget, for a total~~
20 ~~appropriation of \$5,000,000, for the department to grant to the education standards and~~
21 ~~practices board to administer the program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending~~
22 ~~June 30, 2023.~~