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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1522

Page 1, line 10, replace "shall" with "may" Renumber accordingly

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Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

REENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1522

Introduced by

Representatives Dyk, Christensen, Timmons, VanWinkle Senators Beard, Weston

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-06 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to providing accommodations to a transgender student; and to declare
- 3 an emergency.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created 6 and enacted as follows:
- 7 Transgender student accommodations.
- A board of a school district may not adopt a policy that requires or prohibits any individual from using a student's preferred gender pronoun.
- A board of a school district shallmay establish, in consultation with the parent or legal
 guardian, a policy for the use of a separate restroom accommodation for a
 transgender student.
- 3. A board of a school district or a school shall prohibit a student from using a restroom
 that does not coincide with the student's biological sex.
- 4. Nothwithstanding any other provision of law, a violation of this section subjects the
 board of a school district or a school to a civil cause of action by an individual or a
 parent or legal guardian of a student who has suffered damages because of the
 violation.
- 5. Notwithstanding section 32-03.2-11, a court shall award the following remedies to a
 plaintiff that prevails in an action under subsection 4:
- 21 a. Damages;
- 22 <u>b. Costs and fees, including reasonable attorney fees; and</u>
- 23 <u>c. Exemplary damages in an amount up to twenty-five thousand dollars.</u>
- 24 SECTION 2. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.