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Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1542

Introduced by

Representatives Hendrix, Heilman, Heinert, Marschall, Murphy, Novak, Schreiber-Beck
Senators Cory, Wobbema

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to ~~the confidentiality of~~designating student applications for admission to
3 an institution of higher education as exempt records; and to declare an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Admissions applications to institutions of higher education - ConfidentialExempt.**

8 A record related to an individual's application for admission to an institution of higher
9 education under the administration of the state board of higher education is ~~confidential~~exempt,
10 except as otherwise provided by law. ~~The~~Subject to the retention requirements under section
11 15-10-44, the record, ~~including a record that has been disclosed under this chapter,~~ must be
12 destroyed upon request of the applicant or the parent or guardian of an applicant who was
13 under eighteen years of age at the time the application was submitted. An individual may not
14 possess access or disclose an exempt record ~~that is confidential~~ under this section for a
15 reason other than carrying out regular duties as an employee of an institution of higher
16 education, ~~except as otherwise provided under this chapter.~~

17 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.