

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1542
with Senate Amendments**

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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 designating student applications for admission to an institution of
3 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 - Exempt.**

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 exempt, except as
10 otherwise provided by law. Subject to the retention requirements under section 15-10-44, the
11 record must be destroyed upon request of the applicant or the parent or guardian of an
12 applicant who was under eighteen years of age at the time the application was submitted. An
13 individual may not access or disclose an exempt record under this section for a reason other
14 than carrying out regular duties as an employee of an institution of higher education, except as
15 otherwise provided under this chapter.

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