

**Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Wednesday, January 3, 2007**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1081  
(Representatives Delzer, Wrangham)  
(Senator Freborg)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 15.1-07-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to requirements for drivers of schoolbuses and school vehicles.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-07-20 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15.1-07-20. Schoolbus driver - School vehicle driver - Requirements.**

1. To be eligible to ~~drive~~ transport students or other passengers in a schoolbus or other school vehicle, ~~an~~ the individual must:
  - a. Hold ~~a valid~~ the appropriate class of North Dakota driver's license together with any special endorsement otherwise required by law;
  - b. Be free from communicable diseases;
  - c. Be in good physical health and have normal use of both hands, both feet, both eyes, and both ears;
  - d. Be of sound mental health;
  - e. Pass any drug and alcohol screening tests required by the school board; and
  - f. Be at least twenty-one years of age, unless the board of a school district determines that an individual not meeting this requirement can safely and adequately perform the required duties.
2. Each year, the board of a school district shall designate licensed health care professionals, as defined by department of transportation standards, to examine schoolbus and school vehicle drivers governed by subsection 1.
3. Prior to ~~commencing duties as the driver of~~ transporting students or other passengers in a schoolbus or other school vehicle, whether employed by the school district or by another entity with whom the school board has contracted, and every two years thereafter, an individual shall present to the school board verification by a designated health care professional that the individual has been examined and meets the health requirements of this section.
4. This section does not ~~prohibit~~ apply to teachers or administrators who are employed by the district ~~from~~ and who are operating vehicles other than schoolbuses for the purpose of transporting students to regular or special events related to educational programs in which the students are enrolled.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1081.

House Vote:      Yeas    92      Nays    0      Absent    2

Senate Vote:    Yeas    44      Nays    0      Absent    3

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2007.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2007,

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Secretary of State