

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1136
(Human Services Committee)
(At the request of the State Department of Health)

AN ACT to create and enact a new subsection to section 23-07-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to circumstances when children's immunization requirements may be waived; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 23-07-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to children's required immunizations for attending school.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 23-07-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. A child may not be admitted to any public, private, or parochial school, or day care center, child care facility, head start program, or nursery school operating in this state or be supervised through home-based instruction unless the child's parent or guardian presents to the institution authorities a certification from a licensed physician or authorized representative of the state department of health that the child has received age appropriate immunization against diphtheria, pertussis, tetanus, measles, rubella (German measles), mumps, hepatitis B, haemophilus influenza type b (Hib), varicella (chickenpox), ~~and~~ poliomyelitis, ~~pneumococcal disease, meningococcal disease, rotovirus, and hepatitis A.~~ In the case of a child receiving home-based instruction, the child's parent or legal guardian shall file the certification with the public school district in which the child resides.

SECTION 2. A new subsection to section 23-07-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

When, in the opinion of the state health officer, extenuating circumstances make it difficult or impossible to comply with immunization requirements, the state health officer may authorize children who are not immunized to be admitted to an institution listed in subsection 1 until the state health officer determines that the extenuating circumstances no longer exist. Extenuating circumstances include a shortage of vaccine and other temporary circumstances.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

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. 1136.

House Vote: Yeas 93 Nays 0 Absent 1

Senate Vote: Yeas 43 Nays 1 Absent 3

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2007.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2007.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2007,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State