

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Senate Amendments
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1291**

Introduced by

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Senators Larsen, Schaible, Sitte

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15.1-21-02.4, 15.1-21-02.5, and 15.1-21-02.6
2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the provision of North Dakota scholarships to
3 students who receive home education; to provide for a transfer; to provide an appropriation; and
4 to declare an emergency.

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

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-21-02.4 of the North Dakota Century Code is
7 amended and reenacted as follows:

8 **15.1-21-02.4. North Dakota career and technical education scholarship.**

9 Any resident student who graduates from a high school during or after the 2010-11 school
10 year and any resident student who completes a program of home education supervised in
11 accordance with chapter 15.1-23 during or after the 2012-13 school year is eligible to receive a
12 North Dakota career and technical education scholarship provided the student:

- 13 1. Completed four units of English language arts from a sequence that includes literature,
14 composition, and speech;
- 15 2. Completed three units of mathematics, including:
 - 16 a. One unit of algebra II, as defined by the superintendent of public instruction; and
 - 17 b. Two units of any other mathematics;
- 18 3. Completed three units of science, including:
 - 19 a. One unit of physical science;
 - 20 b. One unit of biology; and
 - 21 c. (1) One unit of any other science; or
 - 22 (2) Two one-half units of any other science;
- 23 4. Completed three units of social studies, including:
 - 24 a. One unit of United States history;

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- 1 b. (1) One-half unit of United States government and one-half unit of economics;
- 2 or
- 3 (2) One unit of problems of democracy; and
- 4 c. One unit or two one-half units of any other social studies, which may include
- 5 civics, civilization, geography and history, multicultural studies, North Dakota
- 6 studies, psychology, sociology, and world history;
- 7 5. a. Completed one unit of physical education; or
- 8 b. One-half unit of physical education and one-half unit of health;
- 9 6. Completed:
- 10 a. One unit selected from:
- 11 (1) Foreign languages;
- 12 (2) Native American languages;
- 13 (3) American sign language;
- 14 (4) Fine arts; or
- 15 (5) Career and technical education courses; and
- 16 b. Two units of a coordinated plan of study recommended by the department of
- 17 career and technical education and approved by the superintendent of public
- 18 instruction;
- 19 7. Completed any five additional units, two of which must be in the area of career and
- 20 technical education;
- 21 8. a. (1) Obtained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading
- 22 scale, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction, based on
- 23 all high school units in which the student was enrolled; and
- 24 (2) Obtained a grade of at least "C" in each unit or one-half unit; or
- 25 b. (1) Obtained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading
- 26 scale, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction, based only
- 27 on the units required by subsections 1 through 7; and
- 28 (2) Obtained a grade of at least "C" in each unit or one-half unit; and
- 29 9. Received:
- 30 a. A composite score of at least twenty-four on an ACT; or

- 1 b. A score of at least five on each of three WorkKeys assessments recommended
2 by the department of career and technical education and approved by the
3 superintendent of public instruction.

4 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-21-02.5 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-21-02.5. North Dakota academic scholarship.**

7 Any resident student who graduates from a high school during or after the 2010-11 school
8 year and any resident student who completes a program of home education supervised in
9 accordance with chapter 15.1-23 during or after the 2012-13 school year is eligible to receive a
10 North Dakota academic scholarship provided the student:

- 11 1. Completed four units of English language arts from a sequence that includes literature,
12 composition, and speech;
- 13 2. Completed three units of mathematics, including:
- 14 a. One unit of algebra II, as defined by the superintendent of public instruction; and
15 b. One unit of mathematics for which algebra II, as defined by the superintendent of
16 public instruction, is a prerequisite;
- 17 3. Completed three units of science, including:
- 18 a. One unit of physical science;
19 b. One unit of biology; and
20 c. (1) One unit of any other science; or
21 (2) Two one-half units of any other science;
- 22 4. Completed three units of social studies, including:
- 23 a. One unit of United States history;
24 b. (1) One-half unit of United States government and one-half unit of economics;
25 or
26 (2) One unit of problems of democracy; and
27 c. One unit or two one-half units of any other social studies, which may include
28 civics, civilization, geography and history, multicultural studies, North Dakota
29 studies, psychology, sociology, and world history;
- 30 5. a. Completed one unit of physical education; or
31 b. One-half unit of physical education and one-half unit of health;

- 1 6. a. Completed:
 - 2 (1) Two units of the same foreign or native American language; or
 - 3 (2) Two units of American sign language; and
- 4 b. One unit selected from:
 - 5 (1) Foreign languages;
 - 6 (2) Native American languages;
 - 7 (3) American sign language;
 - 8 (4) Fine arts; or
 - 9 (5) Career and technical education;
- 10 7. Completed any five additional units, one of which must be in the area of fine arts or
- 11 career and technical education;
- 12 8. a. (1) Obtained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading
- 13 scale, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction, based on
- 14 all high school units in which the student was enrolled; and
- 15 (2) Obtained a grade of at least "C" in each unit or one-half unit; or
- 16 b. (1) Obtained a cumulative grade point average of at least 3.0 on a 4.0 grading
- 17 scale, as determined by the superintendent of public instruction, based only
- 18 on the units required by subsections 1 through 7; and
- 19 (2) Obtained a grade of at least "C" in each unit or one-half unit;
- 20 9. Received a composite score of at least twenty-four on an ACT; and
- 21 10. a. Fulfilled any one unit requirement set forth in subsections 1 through 7 by means
- 22 of an advanced placement course and examination; or
- 23 b. Fulfilled any one-half unit requirement set forth in subsections 1 through 7 by
- 24 means of a dual-credit course.

25 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-21-02.6 of the North Dakota Century Code is
26 amended and reenacted as follows:

27 **15.1-21-02.6. North Dakota scholarship - Amount - Applicability.**

- 28 1. a. The state board of higher education shall provide to any student certified as
- 29 being eligible by the superintendent of public instruction either a North Dakota
- 30 academic scholarship or a North Dakota career and technical education
- 31 scholarship in the amount of seven hundred fifty dollars for each semester during

- 1 which the student is enrolled full time at an accredited institution of higher
2 education in this state and maintains a cumulative grade point average of 2.75.
- 3 b. The state board of higher education shall provide to any student certified as
4 being eligible by the superintendent of public instruction either a North Dakota
5 academic scholarship or a North Dakota career and technical education
6 scholarship in the amount of five hundred dollars for each quarter during which
7 the student is enrolled full time at an accredited institution of higher education in
8 this state and maintains a cumulative grade point average of 2.75.
- 9 2. The state board shall monitor each scholarship recipient to ensure that the student
10 meets the academic and other requirements of this section. Upon determining that a
11 recipient student has failed to meet the requirements of this section, the board shall
12 provide notification to the student within ten days.
- 13 3. A student is not entitled to receive more than six thousand dollars under this section.
- 14 4. The state board of higher education shall forward the scholarship directly to the
15 institution in which the student is enrolled.
- 16 5. a. (1) This section does not require a student to be enrolled in consecutive
17 semesters.
18 (2) This section does not require a student to be enrolled in consecutive
19 quarters.
- 20 b. However, a scholarship under this section is valid only for six academic years
21 after the student's graduation from high school and may not be applied to
22 graduate programs.
- 23 6. A scholarship under this section is available to any eligible resident student who fulfills
24 the requirements of section 15.1-21-02.4 or 15.1-21-02.5 and who ~~graduates from~~:
- 25 a. A Graduates from a high school in this state;
- 26 b. A Graduates from a high school in a bordering state under chapter 15.1-29; ~~or~~
- 27 c. A Graduates from a nonpublic high school in a bordering state while residing with
28 a custodial parent in this state; ~~or~~
- 29 d. Completes a program of home education supervised in accordance with chapter
30 15.1-23.

1 7. For purposes of North Dakota scholarship eligibility under this section, "full-time"
2 means enrollment in at least twelve credits during a student's first two semesters and
3 enrollment in at least fifteen credits during each semester thereafter or enrollment in
4 the equivalent number of credits, as determined by the state board of higher
5 education, with respect to students in a quarter system.

6 **SECTION 4. TRANSFER.** Notwithstanding section 15.1-27-22.1, if any moneys remain in
7 the grants - state school aid line item after superintendent of public instruction complies with all
8 statutory payment obligations imposed for the 2011-13 biennium, the superintendent shall
9 transfer the first \$250,000 to the home education scholarship fund in the state treasury. Moneys
10 in the home education scholarship fund are not subject to section 54-44.1-11.

11 **SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the home
12 education scholarship fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of
13 \$250,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the superintendent of public
14 instruction for the purpose of providing scholarships to home-educated students in accordance
15 with sections 1 through 3 of this Act, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June
16 30, 2015.

17 **SECTION 6. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.