

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Education Policy Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 15.1-21-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to interim assessment of students.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** Section 15.1-21-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and  
5 enacted as follows:

6 **15.1-21-17.1. Interim assessment - State-provided or state-approved list.**

7 1. Each public school district shall administer annually to students in grades kindergarten  
8 through ten at least two assessments in mathematics and reading. In administering  
9 the assessment, a public school district shall use:

10 a. The state-provided interim assessment; or

11 b. An interim assessment from a state-approved list created and maintained by the  
12 superintendent of public instruction.

13 2. The superintendent of public instruction shall contract with an interim assessment  
14 vendor to create a state-provided interim assessment and distribute the assessment to  
15 each public school district, at no charge to the districts, for the grade levels and  
16 subjects provided in subsection 1.

17 3. If a district chooses to use an assessment from the state-approved list, the district is  
18 responsible for any assessment-related costs.

19 4. To qualify as a state-provided or state-approved vendor of interim assessments, a  
20 vendor must share the assessment data electronically with the statewide longitudinal  
21 data system for the purposes of statewide aggregated data results. Individual district  
22 level data may be shared at the discretion of the local district.

23 5. The superintendent shall adopt rules to develop the selection and approval criteria for  
24 a state-approved interim assessment vendor.