

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1241

(Representatives Schreiber-Beck, Hagert, D. Johnson, Jonas, Lefor, Mitskog, Murphy, Nathe, Richter)
(Senators Burckhard, Hogan, Meyer)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the workforce education innovation program; and to provide for a legislative management report.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Workforce education innovation program - Report to legislative management.

1. The state board of higher education may provide award funds to institutions under its control to create or enhance educational programs that address the workforce needs of North Dakota business and industry. An award made under this section may be used for curriculum development, equipment and technology purchases, facility modifications and equipment installation, hiring and training new and existing instructors, educational program promotion, and enhancement of postsecondary partnerships with primary and secondary schools.
2. The state board of higher education shall provide a biennial program report to the legislative management by September first of each even-numbered year. The report must include information by institution regarding:
 - a. The number, amount, and type of awards;
 - b. The name of each educational program created, enhanced, or promoted;
 - c. The amount and percentage of funds used for leadership and coordination costs; and
 - d. Detailed expense reports, including the type of equipment and technology purchased and the number of instructors hired or trained.

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 Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1241.

House Vote: Yeas 80 Nays 13 Absent 1

Senate Vote: Yeas 46 Nays 1 Absent 0

Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2023.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2023,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State