

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

SENATE BILL NO. 2028  
(Legislative Management)  
(Education Policy Committee)

AN ACT to create and enact section 15.1-21-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to interim assessment of students.

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

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

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

1. Each public school district shall administer annually to students in grades kindergarten through ten at least two assessments in mathematics and reading. In administering the assessment, a public school district shall use:
  - a. The state-provided interim assessment; or
  - b. An interim assessment from a state-approved list created and maintained by the superintendent of public instruction.
2. The superintendent of public instruction shall contract with an interim assessment vendor to create a state-provided interim assessment and distribute the assessment to each public school district, at no charge to the districts, for the grade levels and subjects provided in subsection 1.
3. If a district chooses to use an assessment from the state-approved list, the district is responsible for any assessment-related costs.
4. To qualify as a state-provided or state-approved vendor of interim assessments, a vendor must share the assessment data electronically with the statewide longitudinal data system for the purposes of statewide aggregated data results. Individual district level data may be shared at the discretion of the local district.
5. The superintendent shall adopt rules to develop the selection and approval criteria for a state-approved interim assessment vendor.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2028.

Senate Vote:    Yeas 47            Nays 0            Absent 0

House Vote:    Yeas 64            Nays 29           Absent 1

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State