

Introduced by

Education Committee

(At the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-12-14 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to school board authority following approval of a reorganization plan.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15.1-12-14 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **15.1-12-14. School district reorganization - School boards - Assumption of duties -**
7 **Approval to contract or obligate the district.**

8 1. Upon approval of a reorganization plan by the electors, in accordance with section
9 15.1-12-11, a school board for the reorganized district must be elected at the next
10 regular school district election or at a special election called by the county
11 superintendent of schools for that purpose. The first school board election in a newly
12 reorganized district is governed by chapter 15.1-09.

13 2. Members of newly formed school boards representing reorganized districts may not
14 enter upon the duties of office until the time specified in section 15.1-12-18, except as
15 provided in sections 15.1-12-15 and 15.1-12-16. ~~Before the completion of~~

16 3. During the period between the approval of a reorganization plan by the electors, in
17 accordance with section 15.1-12-11, and the effective date of the reorganization, the
18 board of an existing district that is part of the reorganization plan may not contract or
19 obligate the district, except with the approval of the~~from:~~

20 a. The county committee ~~or unless authorized by law, following a hearing; or~~

21 b. The existing board of each school district that is part of the reorganization plan.