

HOUSE BILL NO. 1435

Introduced by

Representatives Skroch, Brandenburg, Grueneich, Headland, Kasper, K. Koppelman, Olson,
D. Ruby, Trottier

Senators Clemens, O. Larsen

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 21-03-11 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to school bond issue elections.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 21-03-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **21-03-11. Elections - When and how called and held.**

7 1. Upon or after the adoption of an initial resolution by the governing body, or at the first
8 meeting of the governing body held after the filing of a petition and proposed initial
9 resolution by the qualified electors as specified in subsection 2 of section 21-03-10,
10 the governing body by resolution shall provide for submitting to the qualified electors of
11 the municipality the question whether the initial resolution shall be approved. The date
12 of the election must be not less than twenty days after the passage of the initial
13 resolution by the governing body or in the filing of a sufficient petition therefor by the
14 qualified electors. The governing body shall designate the date of the election, the
15 polling hours, and polling place, which must be the same as for municipal elections
16 therein, and shall appoint an inspector, two judges, and two clerks of election for each
17 polling place. In case of the absence of any election official, or the official's inability to
18 act at the opening of the polls, the remaining election officials for the polling place shall
19 appoint a qualified elector to fill the vacancy. The election must be conducted and the
20 returns thereof made and canvassed as in the case of elections of members of the
21 governing body of the municipality.

22 2. ~~If the matter to be placed before the electors involves a school bond issue, the~~
23 ~~question must be placed on the general election ballot.~~ A school board may call a

1 special election for a school bond issue no more than two times in an odd-numbered
2 year, and a school bond issue placed on the ballot in an even-numbered year must be
3 placed on the ballot at a statewide primary or general election.