

HOUSE BILL NO. 1375

Introduced by

Representatives Pyle, Howe, Mitskog, O'Brien, Roers Jones, Schreiber-Beck, Stemen
Senators Bekkedahl, Davison, Luick, Weber

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to a tuition credit incentive program for students taking dual-credit
3 courses while in high school; and to provide an appropriation.

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

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

7 **Dual-credit courses - Tuition credit program - Administered by the board.**

- 8 1. The state board of higher education shall administer a dual-credit tuition credit
9 program to offer a tuition credit incentive to students. The board shall adopt rules to
10 administer the program.
- 11 2. An eligible student may apply to the board to receive a credit toward the cost of tuition
12 at the institution of higher education at which the student is enrolled. To be eligible to
13 receive a credit, an individual must:
- 14 a. Be enrolled at an institution of higher education under the control of the state
15 board of higher education;
- 16 b. Have completed at least one semester at the institution of higher education at
17 which the student is enrolled;
- 18 c. Have graduated from a high school in the state; and
- 19 d. Have completed at least one dual-credit course while enrolled in high school in
20 the state.
- 21 3. The state board of higher education shall provide an eligible student with a tuition
22 credit equal to the cost of the dual-credit courses completed by the student while in
23 high school, in an amount not to exceed one thousand five hundred dollars.

1 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA PROFITS.** There is
2 appropriated out of any moneys from the Bank of North Dakota's current earnings and
3 undivided profits, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$5,000,000, or so much of the sum as
4 may be necessary, to the state board of higher education for the purpose of providing tuition
5 credits to eligible students participating in the program under this Act, for the biennium
6 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.