Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 8, 2013

SENATE BILL NO. 2329
(Senators Unruh, Larsen, Miller)
(Representatives Grande, B. Koppelman, Thoreson)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 15.1-23-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to home education.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 15.1-23-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

15.1-23-09. Home education - Standardized achievement test - Exemption.

1. a. While in grades four, six, eight, and ten, each child receiving home education shall take ~~a~~:

   (1) A standardized achievement test used by the school district in which the child resides; or~~, if requested by the parent, shall take a~~

   (2) A nationally normed standardized achievement test if requested by the child's parent.

   b. The child shall take the test in the child's learning environment or, if requested by the child's parent, in a public school. An individual licensed to teach by the education standards and practices board or approved to teach by the education standards and practices board shall administer the test.

2. a. The requirement of subsection 1 does not apply if the parent notifies the school district in which the child resides that the parent has a philosophical, moral, or religious objection to the use of standardized achievement tests and the parent:

   (1) Is licensed to teach by the education standards and practices board or approved to teach by the education standards and practices board;

   (2) Holds a baccalaureate degree; or

   (3) Has met or exceeded the cutoff score of a national teacher examination given in this state or in any other state if this state does not offer such an examination.

   b. The parent shall file the notification and necessary documentation required by this subsection with the school district at the same time that the parent files the statement of intent to supervise home education required by section 15.1-23-02.

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President of the Senate Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2329.

Senate Vote:	Yeas 41	Nays 6	Absent 0
House Vote:	Yeas 81	Nays 12	Absent 1

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____M. on _____, 2013.

Approved at _____M. on _____, 2013.

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Governor

Filed in this office this _____day of _____, 2013,

at _____ o'clock _____M.

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Secretary of State