

HOUSE BILL NO. 1547

Introduced by

Representatives Richter, Conmy, Jonas, Mitskog, Nelson, Novak, Schreiber-Beck

Senators Axtman, Beard, Davison, Mathern

1 A BILL for an Act to create a committee to study special education funding during the 2025-26
2 interim; and to provide for a legislative management report.

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

4 **SECTION 1. SPECIAL EDUCATION FUNDING COMMITTEE - REPORT TO**
5 **LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT.**

6 1. During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative management shall establish and provide
7 staffing and administrative services to a committee to study special education funding.

8 The chairman of legislative management may add temporary, nonvoting members to
9 the committee, as deemed necessary by the committee, to serve without
10 compensation.

11 2. The committee may include:

12 a. Five members of the legislative assembly, appointed by the legislative
13 management;

14 b. Two multi-unit special education directors;

15 c. One large school special education director;

16 d. One special education coordinator;

17 e. One superintendent of a large school;

18 f. One superintendent of a small or midsize school;

19 g. One business manager of a large school; and

20 h. One multi-unit special education business manager.

21 3. During the 2025-26 interim, the special education funding committee study must
22 include a comprehensive review of special education funding models, including
23 student contracts, high-cost students, residential placement, and reimbursement under
24 the Medicaid program.

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- 1 4. The committee shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any
- 2 legislation necessary to implement the recommendations, to the seventieth legislative
- 3 assembly.