

## JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

## Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly

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Bismarck, January 20, 1997

The Senate convened at 1:00 p.m., with President Myrdal presiding.

The prayer was offered by Father Dale H. Kinzler, Church of the Nativity, Fargo.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Bowman, Holmberg, Lindaas, Redlin, Thane, Wanzek, and Yockim.

A quorum was declared by the President.

**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM C. PARKER, SECRETARY)**

**MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has passed and your favorable consideration is requested on: SB 2024, SB 2038, SB 2054, SB 2059, SB 2070, SB 2079, SB 2083, SB 2096, SB 2100.

**MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM C. PARKER, SECRETARY)**

**MR. SPEAKER:** The Senate has passed unchanged: HB 1104.

**MOTION**

**SEN. GOETZ MOVED** that SB 2029, which is on the Sixth order, be rereferred to the **Education Committee**, which motion prevailed. Pursuant to Sen. Goetz's motion, SB 2029 was rereferred.

**REPORT OF PROCEDURAL COMMITTEE**

**MADAM PRESIDENT:** Your procedural **Employment Committee (Sen. Naaden, Chairman)** recommends the following employee to replace an assistant committee clerk during the Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly: Shanda Doan.

**SEN. NAADEN MOVED** that the report be adopted, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2025: SEN. URLACHER (Agriculture Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ pages 93-94 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2027: SEN. DEMERS (Human Services Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 94 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2039: SEN. WANZEK (Agriculture Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 95 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2040: SEN. LEE (Human Services Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 98 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2046: SEN. C. NELSON (Judiciary Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ pages 95-96 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2080: SEN. FREBORG (Natural Resources Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 96 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2092: SEN. WATNE (Political Subdivisions Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 96 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2093: SEN. BERG (Judiciary Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ pages 96-97 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2099: SEN. W. STENEHJEM (Judiciary Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ pages 97-98 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS**

**SB 2128: SEN. C. NELSON (Judiciary Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 98 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2033:** A BILL for an Act to provide for a postsecondary enrollment options program; and to amend and reenact subdivision q of subsection 1 of section 28-32-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the rulemaking authority of the superintendent of public instruction.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 7 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; O'Connell; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Tallackson; Thane; Yockim

Engrossed SB 2033 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2072:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-40.2-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the imposition of a use tax on natural gas; to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 57-39.2-04 and section 57-40.3-05.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a sales tax exemption for a political subdivision of another state and the requirement for a seller's certificate under the motor vehicle excise tax; and to repeal sections 57-37.1-12, 57-37.1-13, and 57-37.1-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to inventory of safety deposit boxes upon the death of the lessor, the notice of transfer of a decedent's assets, and penalties for violating the duties of a depository.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; O'Connell; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Tallackson; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Thane; Yockim

Engrossed SB 2072 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2143:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 34-13-01, 34-13-02, and subsection 1 of section 34-13-13.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to employment agencies.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; O'Connell; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Tallackson; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Thane; Yockim

Engrossed SB 2143 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2056:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 54-06-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mileage and travel expense of state officers and employees.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Tallackson; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**NAYS:** O'Connell

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Thane; Yockim

SB 2056 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2101:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 52-11-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to job service North Dakota and national guard retirement programs.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nething; O'Connell; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Tallackson; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Thane; Yockim

SB 2101 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2114:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 54-44.3 and a new subsection to section 54-44.3-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to federal grants for merit systems, agencies subject to the state merit system, and the rules for merit system compliance; to amend and reenact sections 39-03-03, 39-03-13, 52-02-01, 52-02-06, 54-44.3-06, 54-44.3-09, 57-01-05, and 65-02-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to appeals of highway patrol disciplinary actions, job service North Dakota merit appointments, personnel board meetings, duties of the central personnel division director with respect to the merit system, tax commissioner merit appointments, and workers' compensation merit appointments; and to repeal chapter 54-42 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the merit system council.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nothing; O'Connell; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Tallackson; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Thane; Yockim

SB 2114 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2126:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 39-18-01 and 39-22.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mobile home and trailer dealer licensing fees.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nothing; O'Connell; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Tallackson; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Thane; Yockim

SB 2126 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2130:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 18-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to cooperation of the state forester with rural fire departments and rural fire protection districts; and to repeal sections 18-02-01, 18-02-02, 18-02-03, 18-02-04, 18-02-05, 18-02-06, 18-02-08, and 18-02-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to forest fire wardens.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Andrist; Berg; Christmann; Cook; DeMers; Fischer; Freborg; Goetz; Grindberg; Heitkamp; Kelsh; Kinnoin; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Kringstad; LaFountain; Lee; Lips; Mathern; Mutch; Mutzenberger; Naaden; Nalewaja; Nelson, C.; Nelson, G.; Nothing;

O'Connell; Robinson; Sand; Schobinger; Solberg; St. Aubyn; Stenehjem, B.; Stenehjem, W.; Tallackson; Thompson; Tomac; Traynor; Urlacher; Wanzek; Watne; Wogsland

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Holmberg; Lindaas; Redlin; Thane; Yockim

SB 2130 passed and the title was agreed to.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION**

**SCR 4007:** A concurrent resolution urging the Secretary of the Interior and the United States Fish and Wildlife Service to open the waterfowl hunting season by September 15 of each year.

The question being on the final passage of the resolution, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS.

SCR 4007 was declared adopted on a voice vote and the title was agreed to.

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**MOTION**

**SEN. GOETZ MOVED** that the absent members be excused, which motion prevailed.

**MOTION**

**SEN. GOETZ MOVED** that the Senate be on the Fifth, Ninth, and Thirteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the Senate stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 21, 1997, which motion prevailed.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2034: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Krebsbach, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2034 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 3, remove "and"

Page 1, line 4, after "date" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 2, line 26, after "participating" insert "state"

Page 3, after line 3, insert:

**"SECTION 5. EMERGENCY.** Section 3 of this Act is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2036: Transportation Committee (Sen. B. Stenehjem, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2036 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 16, replace "state's shipping interest" with "state interests"

Renumber accordingly

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2037: Transportation Committee (Sen. B. Stenehjem, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2037 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 4, remove "49-10.1-14,"

Page 1, line 8, remove "49-16-02, 49-16-03, 49-16-04, 49-16-05, 49-16-08,"

Page 4, remove lines 11 through 19

Page 4, line 23, remove "warning device" and overstrike "of"

Page 4, line 24, replace "sufficient capacity to be clearly heard a reasonable distance" with "warning device"

Page 4, line 25, remove "from all crossings"

Page 4, line 26, remove the overstrike over "~~a distance of at least eighty rods [402.34 meters] from the place where~~"

Page 4, line 27, remove the overstrike over "the", remove the overstrike over "railroad", after "cross" insert "crosses", remove the overstrike over "~~any other road or street and~~", after "shall" insert "must continue to", and remove the overstrike over "be"

Page 4, line 28, remove the overstrike over "~~sounded until it~~", after "have" insert "has", remove the overstrike over "crossed", after "said" insert "the", remove the overstrike over "~~road or street~~", and remove "each crossing"

Page 4, line 30, after the third comma insert "and" and remove ",49-16-02, 49-16-03, 49-16-04, and 49-16-08"

Page 5, line 1, remove "49-16-05,"

ReNUMBER accordingly

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2098: Judiciary Committee (Sen. W. Stenehjem, Chairman)** recommends **DO NOT PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2098 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2102: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Krebsbach, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2102 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 17, replace "four" with "five"

Page 1, line 18, replace "twenty" with "thirteen" and after "dollars" insert "and thirty-three cents"

Page 1, line 19, replace "four" with "six", replace "forty" with "forty-six", and after "dollars" insert "and sixty-six cents"

ReNUMBER accordingly

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2146: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Mutch, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2146 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

#### FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Sens. DeMers, C. Nelson, W. Stenehjem and Reps. Christenson, Jensen introduced:

**SB 2219:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-03-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to expense reimbursement of members of the legislative assembly; to provide for retroactive application; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sen. W. Stenehjem introduced:

**SB 2220:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 12.1-32-07 and 12.1-32-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to supervision of probationers, restitution, and reimbursement of indigent defense costs from offenders.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Christmann, Andrisc, Cook and Reps. Boehm, Brusegaard, Clark introduced:

**SB 2221:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 12.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to barring perpetrators of certain crimes from recovering for injuries sustained during criminal conduct.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Thane, Yockim and Rep. Delmore introduced:

**SB 2222:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to tax levies for the publication of city government proceedings.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Thane, Lips and Reps. Grumbo, Svedjan introduced:

**SB 2223:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-36-12.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to equity in prescription drug insurance coverage; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Freborg, Tomac and Reps. DeKrey, Huether introduced:

**SB 2224:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-25 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the adoption of state air quality rules and standards that are stricter than federal standards.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Holmberg, W. Stenehjerm, Traynor introduced:

**SB 2225:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 16.1-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the acceptance of campaign contributions by a candidate from federal campaign committee accounts or from contributions made to other candidates.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sen. Thane introduced:

**SB 2226:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 43 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to licensing of marriage and family therapists; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. DeMers, Heitkamp, Mathern and Reps. Glassheim, Oban, Thorpe introduced:

**SB 2227:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 34-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state minimum wage rate.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. W. Stenehjerm, Andrist, C. Nelson and Reps. Berg, Delmore, Kretschmar introduced:

**SB 2228:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact sections 44-04-17.5, 44-04-18.01, 44-04-18.02, 44-04-18.10, 44-04-18.11, 44-04-19.05, 44-04-21.1, 44-04-21.2, and subsection 19 of section 54-12-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to public records and public meetings; to amend and reenact sections 44-04-18, 44-04-18.1, 44-04-18.3, 44-04-18.4, 44-04-18.5, 44-04-18.7, 44-04-19, 44-04-19.1, 44-04-20, 44-04-21, and 54-44.2-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to public records and meetings; and to repeal section 44-04-18.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to economic development records and meetings.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Christmann, Naaden, Watne and Reps. Boehm, Galvin, Grosz introduced:

**SB 2229:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 32-12.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to claims against the state by political subdivisions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Christmann, Wanzek, Watne and Reps. Kerzman, Nelson, Sandvig introduced:

**SB 2230:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 14-03-01 and 14-03-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of marriage and the recognition of a foreign marriage.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Goetz, Kinnoin, Tallackson and Reps. Carlson, Nichols, Svedjan introduced:

**SB 2231:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 28-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to execution on money retained pursuant to garnishment; and to amend and reenact sections 32-09.1-02, 32-09.1-04, 32-09.1-06, 32-09.1-07, 32-09.1-08, 32-09.1-22, and 32-09.1-23 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to garnishment proceedings and claims of exemptions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Goetz, Kinnoin, Tallackson and Reps. Carlson, Nichols, Svedjan introduced:

**SB 2232:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 11-17-04, sections 11-26-04, 26.1-02-19, 28-20.1-05, 35-18-04, 35-21-05, 43-01-19, and 57-22-32 of the

North Dakota Century Code, relating to the fees to be charged by the clerk of the district court.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Nalewaja, Mathern, Watne and Reps. Carlisle, R. Kelsch, Mahoney introduced:

**SB 2233:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-32 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the deferred imposition of sentence for gross sexual imposition; to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 12.1-20-02, subsection 1 of section 12.1-20-05, and section 12.1-20-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of a sexual act, corruption of a minor, and sexual assault; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Nalewaja, Kringstad, Thompson and Reps. Boucher, Henegar, Poolman introduced:

**SB 2234:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 43-15-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of administer as it relates to drugs.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. W. Stenehjem, Traynor, Watne and Reps. Kretschmar, Murphy, Stenehjem introduced:

**SB 2235:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 3 and 5 of section 14-05-22 and subdivision j of subsection 1 of section 14-09-06.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the effect of domestic violence on visitation rights and child custody proceedings.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Tallackson, Lips and Reps. Carlson, Wald introduced:

**SB 2236:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-06.1-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to insurance company setoff in liquidation or rehabilitation; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. DeMers, Krebsbach, Lips, W. Stenehjem and Reps. Maragos, Wentz introduced:

**SB 2237:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 54-44.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to community action agencies; and to amend and reenact section 54-44.5-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the office of intergovernmental assistance.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Thompson, W. Stenehjem and Reps. Mahoney, Poolman introduced:

**SB 2238:** A BILL for an Act relating to performing rights societies.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, G. Nelson, Robinson and Reps. Olson, Soukup introduced:

**SB 2239:** A BILL for an Act to provide for creation of a Devils Lake outlet management advisory committee.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. W. Stenehjem, DeMers, Lee and Reps. Kliniske, Poolman, Price introduced:

**SB 2240:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 43-48-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of clinical laboratory testing.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Mathern, Heitkamp, Krauter, G. Nelson and Reps. Boucher, Dorso introduced:

**SB 2241:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the introduction of nonnative fish species; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Kelsh, Kringstad and Reps. Hausauer, Maragos introduced:

**SB 2242:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 57-39.2-03.2 and 57-40.2-03.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the rate of sales and use taxes on sales, storage, use, or consumption of alcoholic beverages.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Wogslund, Nalewaja introduced:

**SB 2243:** A BILL for an Act to allow counties to impose a fee for each residential unit and business in the county for support of the sheriff's department.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Wanzek introduced:



**SB 2244:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 35-31-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to agricultural suppliers' liens.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, Cook, Solberg and Reps. S. Kelsh, Kretschmar, Maragos introduced:

**SB 2245:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-05-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to obtaining motor vehicle certificates of title.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. G. Nelson, Mathern, Tomac and Reps. Boucher, Glassheim, Maragos introduced:

**SB 2246:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to individual income tax determination under the simplified optional method of computing tax; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Wogsland, Kelsh, B. Stenehjem and Reps. Aarsvold, Clark introduced:

**SB 2247:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the transfer of credits among institutions of higher education.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Krebsbach, Grindberg, W. Stenehjem and Reps. Axtman, Poolman introduced:

**SB 2248:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to liens on property in self-service storage facilities.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Kelsh, Wanzek and Reps. Nichols, Sveen introduced:

**SB 2249:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-40.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a definition of the state average school district general fund mill levy.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. W. Stenehjem, B. Stenehjem and Rep. Stenehjem introduced:

**SB 2250:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 16.1-16-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to election recounts for political subdivision elections.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Kelsh, Heitkamp, Yockim and Reps. Aarsvold, Brandenburg, Gulleson introduced:

**SB 2251:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 57-15-14, 57-38-29, 57-38-30, and 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to school district property tax levies and individual and corporate income tax rates; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, Kelsh, Wogsland and Reps. S. Kelsh, Sveen introduced:

**SB 2252:** A BILL for an Act relating to the acquisition of computer technology by school districts; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 15-34.1-03 and subdivision b of subsection 2 of section 15-40.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the approval of schools; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Sens. Andrist, Naaden, Solberg and Reps. Huether, Kempenich, Klein introduced:

**SB 2253:** A BILL for an Act to provide for a board of health services; to amend and reenact section 23-16-08.1, subsection 3 of section 23-17.4-01, subsection 1 of section 23-18.2-02, subsection 3 of section 31-01-06.3, section 43-46-01, subsection 3 of section 50-10.1-01, section 50-24.1-12, subsection 11 of section 50-24.4-01, and subsection 5 of section 54-52.4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the certification, licensing, and registration of various occupations and professions and the duties and powers of various certification, licensing, and registration boards; to repeal chapters 43-25, 43-26, 43-32, 43-34, 43-37, 43-39, 43-40, 43-41, 43-42, 43-44, 43-45, 43-47, and 43-48 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the certification, licensure, and registration of massage therapists, physical therapists, psychologists, nursing home administrators, audiologists and speech-language pathologists, athletic trainers, occupational therapists, social workers, respiratory care practitioners, dietitians, addiction counselors, counselors, and clinical laboratory personnel; and to authorize the legislative council to correct certain references in the code.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Kelsh, Wanzek and Reps. Aarsvold, Gulleson, S. Kelsh introduced:

**SB 2254:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-40.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the calculation and application of the school district equalization factor.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sen. Tomac and Reps. Boehm, Renner introduced:

**SB 2255:** A BILL for an Act relating to the enforcement of real estate covenants prohibiting the running-at-large of dangerous animals.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Kelsh, O'Connell, Wogsland introduced:

**SB 2256:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 39-12-05.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to weight restrictions on haystack movers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. Kelsh, Andrist, O'Connell, Solberg, Wogsland introduced:

**SB 2257:** A BILL for an Act relating to the location of high school district tournaments.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sen. Kelsh introduced:

**SB 2258:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new paragraph to subdivision a of subsection 3 of section 39-06.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to points for driving with an expired license; and to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 39-06.1-06 and paragraph 23 of subdivision a of subsection 3 of section 39-06.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the permits and fees for driving without a license.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Traynor, Krebsbach introduced:

**SB 2259:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 28-26-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to attorney's fees in actions to collect debts or enforce obligations.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Traynor, Thompson and Reps. D. Johnson, Kunkel introduced:

**SB 2260:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 61-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to removal, modification, or destruction of dangers in, on the bed of, or adjacent to a navigable lake; to amend and reenact section 57-28-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to tax deeds issued to the state; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sen. Mutch introduced:

**SB 2261:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 6-08.3-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the acquisition of a North Dakota state-chartered bank by an out-of-state bank holding company; and to repeal section 6-08.3-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the formation of a state-chartered bank by an out-of-state bank holding company.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Christmann, B. Stenehjem and Reps. Brusegaard, Gerntholz, Koppelman introduced:

**SB 2262:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 62.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to reciprocity for concealed weapons licenses.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sen. Mathern and Rep. Sveen introduced:

**SB 2263:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 57-36-25, subsection 1 of section 57-36-26, and subsection 1 of section 57-36-28 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to tobacco products tax rates; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Mutch, Thompson introduced:

**SB 2264:** A BILL for an Act to provide for exemptions from hours of service provisions for intrastate commercial drivers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Klein and Rep. DeKrey introduced:

**SB 2265:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 61-08-01, 61-08-06, 61-08-07, 61-08-09, 61-08-12, 61-08-13, 61-08-14, 61-08-22, 61-08-23, 61-08-25, 61-08-26,

61-08-27, 61-08-28, 61-08-29, 61-08-34, 61-08-35, and 61-08-39 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to bonds of irrigation districts; and to repeal sections 61-08-10, 61-08-11, 61-08-16, 61-08-17, 61-08-18, 61-08-19, 61-08-20, 61-08-21, 61-08-33, 61-08-36, 61-08-37, and 61-08-38 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to registration of bonds, cancellation of bonds, issuance of warrants, and terms of refunding bonds.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. W. Stenehjem, Watne and Reps. Delmore, Hawken, Kretschmar introduced:

**SB 2266:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 14-07.1-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to domestic violence arrest procedures; and to amend and reenact subsections 4 and 8 of section 14-07.1-02 and subsection 1 of section 29-06-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to domestic violence protection orders.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sen. O'Connell introduced:

**SB 2267:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-02-27.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a limitation on the annual change in agricultural property assessments on a statewide basis; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sen. W. Stenehjem and Reps. Aarsvold, Kretschmar, Schmidt introduced:

**SB 2268:** A BILL for an Act to repeal sections 7 and 13 of chapter 2 of the 1995 Session Laws, relating to fees charged by the clerk of district court.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. B. Stenehjem, Nalewaja, O'Connell and Reps. Carlisle, DeKrey introduced:

**SB 2269:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to license plates for law enforcement vehicles; and to amend and reenact subdivision b of subsection 2 of section 39-04-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to motor vehicles exempt from registration.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Lips, DeMers and Reps. Kilzer, Wald introduced:

**SB 2270:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to conversion of a nonprofit health service corporation to another corporate structure; to amend and reenact section 26.1-17-33.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to conversion of a mutual insurance company to another corporate structure; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Solberg, Fischer, Thompson and Reps. Bernstein, Byerly, Gerntholz introduced:

**SB 2271:** A BILL for an Act to provide for creation of regional water resource districts; and to amend and reenact sections 61-02-04 and 61-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to membership and quorum of the state water commission.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Solberg, Kinnoin, Sand and Reps. Aarsvold, D. Johnson, Nelson introduced:

**SB 2272:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 41-09-46 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to termination of security interests under the central notice system; to amend and reenact sections 35-17-08, 35-30-06, and 35-31-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to termination of statutory liens filed under the central notice system; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Krebsbach, Tallackson and Reps. Byerly, Maragos introduced:

**SB 2273:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-09.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to food preparation by nonprofit public-spirited organizations; to amend and reenact section 23-09.2-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions; and to repeal section 1 of chapter 316 of the 1989 Session Laws, relating to food preparation by nonprofit public-spirited organizations.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Mutzenberger, Krauter and Reps. DeKrey, Kretschmar, Maragos, Oban introduced:

**SB 2274:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 53-06.1-03.1 and 53-06.1-03.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the site rental for certain games of chance.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sen. Grindberg and Rep. Clark introduced:

**SB 2275:** A BILL for an Act relating to school district bond ratings, assistance to school districts unable to make principal or interest payments on certain debt obligations, and a special levy to repay any assistance received; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Mutzenberger, Kringstad, St. Aubyn and Reps. Rose, Sveen, Wardner introduced:

**SB 2276:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 16.1-05-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the qualifications of members of the board of election.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sen. Mutch introduced:

**SB 2277:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 19-10-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to inspection fees for petroleum products.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. DeMers, LaFountain, St. Aubyn and Reps. Mahoney, Price, Wald introduced:

**SB 2278:** A BILL for an Act to prohibit health plans from interfering with health care provider communications with patients and to prohibit certain provisions in contracts with a health care provider; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sen. Tallackson and Rep. Wald introduced:

**SB 2279:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 35-20-16 and subsection 3 of section 41-09-46 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to entering liens for unpaid earned property or casualty insurance premiums in the central notice system.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sen. W. Stenehjem introduced:

**SB 2280:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 14-09-09.18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to child support income withholding orders.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sen. W. Stenehjem introduced:

**SB 2281:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 14-17-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to appointment of counsel in paternity proceedings.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Lee, DeMers, W. Stenehjem and Reps. S. Kelsh, Koppelman, Rose introduced:

**SB 2282:** A BILL for an Act to provide for limitations on the possession and sale of hypodermic syringes and needles; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sen. B. Stenehjem and Rep. Keiser introduced:

**SB 2283:** A BILL for an Act to provide continuing education requirements for land surveyors; to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-19.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to reregistration requirements for land surveyors; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 43-19.1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to powers of the state board of registration for professional engineers and land surveyors.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Mutzenberger, Heitkamp, LaFountain and Reps. Aarsvold, Boucher, Oban introduced:

**SB 2284:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 65-04-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to confidentiality of workers' compensation employers' reports.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. W. Stenehjem, Nalewaja, Watne and Reps. Kliniske, Poolman, Stenehjem introduced:

**SB 2285:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 12.1-20-03, subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 12.1-20-07, subsection 6 of section 19-03.1-05, subsection 4 of section 19-03.1-07, and subsection 4 of section 19-03.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to controlled substances in sex crimes and the categorizing of controlled substances.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Wanzek, Mathern, Nething and Reps. Aarsvold, Kretschmar, Murphy introduced:

**SB 2286:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 51 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to assistive technology device warranties; and to amend and reenact section 50-06.2-02 and subsection 5 of section 50-06.2-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to assistive technology services.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sen. Klein and Rep. Murphy introduced:

**SB 2287:** A BILL for an Act to repeal section 6-01-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to access by the Bank of North Dakota to bank, savings and loan, and credit union records.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Tomac, Freborg and Reps. Carlson, Froseth, Grumbo introduced:

**SB 2288:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 6-03-49.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to associations of state and national banks becoming shareholders in bank service corporations; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Tallackson, Kringstad, W. Stenehjem and Reps. Coats, Wardner, Wilkie introduced:

**SB 2289:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 15-40.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the educational support per student.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Andrist, Lee, O'Connell and Reps. Boehm, S. Kelsh introduced:

**SB 2290:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-11-21, 16.1-11-22, and 16.1-11-30 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the form of the primary election ballot.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. W. Stenehjem, Lee, B. Stenehjem and Rep. Poolman introduced:

**SB 2291:** A BILL for an Act to require an internet access provider to give notice to potential customers of the capabilities of the provider and for enforcement.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, Kelsh, Wanzek and Reps. Nichols, Sandvig, Tollefson introduced:

**SB 2292:** A BILL for an Act to provide for the creation of a school district emergency repair and maintenance revolving loan fund; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Berg, O'Connell, Wogsland and Reps. Aarsvold, Rose introduced:

**SB 2293:** A BILL for an Act relating to organization and representation of political subdivision employees, collective bargaining negotiations between political subdivision employers and their employees, and the establishment of an employment relations board.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Thompson, Fischer and Reps. Nelson, Schmidt introduced:

**SB 2294:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16.1-12.1, 61-16.1-18, 61-16.1-19, 61-21-13, and 61-21-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to notice and approval of proposed water projects.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Wanzek, Klein and Reps. D. Johnson, Nicholas introduced:

**SB 2295:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 41-09-16 and section 41-09-41 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to real estate descriptions in financing statements covering crops.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. Mathern, DeMers, Tallackson and Reps. Callahan, Glassheim, Oban introduced:

**SB 2296:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 54-52-04, a new subsection to section 54-52.1-01, and five new sections to chapter 54-52.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the expansion of the uniform group insurance program to allow participation by permanent and temporary employees of private sector employers and by any other person who is otherwise without health insurance coverage; to amend and reenact section 54-52.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to subgroups under the uniform group insurance program; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, LaFountain, C. Nelson and Reps. Glassheim, D. Johnson, Wardner introduced:

**SB 2297:** A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for the development and delivery of continuing education units for teachers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Thompson, Klein, Traynor and Reps. D. Johnson, Kunkel introduced:

**SB 2298:** A BILL for an Act to provide for creation of the Devils Lake basin water board; and to amend and reenact section 54-10-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to political subdivision audits; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Kelsh, Lips, Traynor and Reps. Brandenburg, DeKrey, Grumbo, Wardner introduced:

**SB 2299:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 58-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to sales, use, and excise taxes imposed by townships.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, Andrist, Kinnoin and Reps. Carlisle, Froseth, Kempenich introduced:

**SB 2300:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-12-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to special trip permits for excessive weight vehicles and loads.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Lee, DeMers, Krebsbach and Reps. Keiser, Kilzer, Rose introduced:

**SB 2301:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 23 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the confidentiality of and the privilege governing medical peer review records; to amend and reenact sections 31-08-01 and 43-17.1-05.1, and subsection 1 of section 43-17.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to records and proceedings of medical review committees and reports to the commission on medical competency; to repeal section 23-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to medical peer review confidentiality and privilege; to provide for retroactive application; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Tallackson, Krauter and Rep. Huether introduced:

**SB 2302:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 16.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the designation of early voting locations; to amend and reenact sections 16.1-07-01, 16.1-07-05, 16.1-07-06, and 16.1-07-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an elector's eligibility to vote by absentee ballot; and to repeal section 16.1-07-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to voting by absentee ballot.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. St. Aubyn, Mutzenberger and Reps. R. Kelsch, Svedjan introduced:

**SB 2303:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 57-02-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of agricultural property for property tax assessment purposes; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. Wogsland, O'Connell introduced:

**SB 2304:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-12.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to educational requirements for nurses.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Wogsland, O'Connell, Robinson and Reps. Boucher, Oban, Wilkie introduced:

**SB 2305:** A BILL for an Act to provide for contingent per student payments; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Naaden, Freborg introduced:

**SB 2306:** A BILL for an Act to allow school districts to impose income taxes with voter approval for payment of principal and interest on bonds.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sen. W. Stenehjem and Reps. Mahoney, Thoreson introduced:

**SB 2307:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-22 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to licensing of charitable organizations.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

#### FIRST READING OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

Sens. Christmann, Solberg, Wanzek and Reps. Belter, Boehm, Carlson introduced:

**SCR 4011:** A concurrent resolution to create and enact a new section to article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to the vote required to enact an income, sales and use, or motor vehicle or special fuels tax increase by the legislative assembly.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sen. W. Stenehjem and Rep. Kretschmar introduced:

**SCR 4012:** A concurrent resolution for the amendment of section 5 of article V of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to the election of executive branch officers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Grindberg, Krebsbach and Reps. Dalrymple, Mahoney, Torgerson introduced:

**SCR 4014:** A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of consolidating counties.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Heitkamp, Lindaas, Yockim and Reps. Gulleson, Kerzman, Mahoney introduced:

**SCR 4015:** A concurrent resolution urging Congress to consider, and the President of the United States to support, an amendment to the Constitution of the United States to require a balanced federal budget which guarantees protection of Social Security trust funds and which excludes Social Security spending and revenues from budget calculations as required by current law.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

The Senate stood adjourned pursuant to Senator Goetz's motion.

**William C. Parker, Secretary**