

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Senate Amendments
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1202**

Introduced by

Representatives Streyle, Brabandt, Headland, Nathe, Porter, Rohr, Thoreson, Toman
Senator Armstrong

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-59-08 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to use of wide area network services.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-59-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **54-59-08. Required use of wide area network services.**

7 Each state agency and institution that desires access to wide area network services and
8 each county, city, and school district that desires access to wide area network services to
9 transmit voice, data, or video outside that county, city, or school district shall obtain those
10 services from the department. The chief information officer may exempt from the application of
11 this section a county, city, or school district that demonstrates its current wide area network
12 services are more cost-effective for or more appropriate for the specific needs of that county,
13 city, or school district than wide area network services available from the department. For
14 purposes of enhanced 911 and next generation 911 communications services, governmental
15 entities are exempt from the provisions of this section. In selecting enhanced 911 and next
16 generation 911 communication network providers, governmental entities shall select providers
17 that are cost-effective, demonstrably reliable, and which follow interoperable standards set by
18 the emergency services communications coordinating committee.