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## STUDY DIRECTIVES CONSIDERED AND ASSIGNMENTS MADE BY THE LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT FOR THE 2011-12 INTERIM

The following table identifies the bills and resolutions prioritized by the Legislative Management for study during the 2011-12 interim under the authority of North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Section 54-35-02:

<b>Bill or Resolution No.</b>	<b>Subject Matter (Committee)</b>
1003 § 23	Study the ability of the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences to meet the health care needs of the state, including a review of the health care needs of the state, options to address the health care needs of the state, and the feasibility and desirability of expanding the School of Medicine and Health Sciences to meet the health care needs of the state (Health Services Committee)
1004 § 8	Study the regional public health network pilot project conducted during the 2009-11 biennium, including services provided, effects of the project on participating local public health units, efficiencies achieved in providing services, cost-savings to state and local governments, and possible improvements to the program (Health Services Committee)
1011 § 5	Study the feasibility and desirability of relocating the Highway Patrol training academy or portions of the training academy and review options for relocating the training academy, options for relocating the emergency operations vehicle training course, and options for constructing a Highway Patrol shooting range - Amended by Legislative Management directive to include study of options for financial participation by local users of the facilities (Government Services Committee)
1012 § 13	Study the use of state-owned airplanes, including a review of airplanes owned by state agencies, the justification for each airplane, the frequency of use of each airplane, options for purchasing or leasing new airplanes, and the feasibility and desirability of requiring state airplanes to be managed by State Fleet Services - Amended by Legislative Management directive to exclude use of state-owned airplanes by the University of North Dakota School of Aviation (Government Services Committee)
1014 § 5	Study primacy in the administration of federal Environmental Protection Agency regulations (Natural Resources Committee)
1033 § 3	Study issues affecting higher education, including higher education funding mechanisms and higher education budget methods (Higher Education Committee)
1036 § 1	Study developmental education issues, including a review with the Department of Public Instruction and the North Dakota University System of the secondary schools attended by students requiring developmental education, the reasons students need developmental education, efforts to reduce the number of developmental education students at higher education institutions, the alignment of elementary and secondary education standards, curriculum, and textbooks with higher education admissions standards, and the best practices for alleviating developmental education at higher education institutions (Higher Education Committee)
1046 § 5	Study potash mining and taxation issues (Natural Resources Committee)
1047 § 16	Study corporate income taxes, corporate income apportionment factors, and potential impact of federal legislation on state corporate income taxes - Amended by Legislative Management directive to exclude study of financial institutions taxes (Taxation Committee)
1152 § 3	Study the future of health care delivery in the state, including focus on the delivery of health care in rural areas of the state and include input from the School of Medicine and Health Sciences Center for Rural Health, hospitals, and the medical community (Health Services Committee)
1199 § 1	Contract with a consultant to study guardianship services for vulnerable adults in the state. The study must include an analysis of the need for guardianship services in the state; the establishment of guardianships; petitioning costs and other costs associated with providing guardianship services; the entities responsible for guardianship costs; and the interaction between the courts, counties, state agencies, and guardianship organizations regarding guardianship services. The consultant shall provide periodic reports and shall provide the final report and recommendations regarding the study to the Legislative Management before June 1, 2012 - Amended by Legislative Management directive to include the efficacy of statutes governing public administrator services and methods for the timely and effective delivery of guardianship and public administrator responsibilities and services (Human Services Committee)
1246 § 3	Study the feasibility and desirability of extending the sales tax exemption on purchases of tangible property to all charitable nonprofit organizations so that all such organizations are treated equally and fairly under state law; and may undertake a comparative analysis of the efficacy of sales tax exemptions and rate reductions, including, for each exemption or reduction, a detailed analysis of the fiscal impact to the state; benefits to the state economy from eliminating or retaining the exemption or rate reduction; the relationship of the exemption or rate reduction to tax policies of other states and to federal or state laws or regulations; and who are the beneficiaries of each exemption or rate reduction, specifically including the extent to which the benefits flow to out-of-state concerns (Taxation Committee)

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1252 § 1	Monitor the impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, as amended by the Health Care and Education Reconciliation Act of 2010; rules adopted by federal agencies as a result of that legislation; and any amendments to that legislation (Health Care Reform Review Committee)
1267 § 1	Develop a legislative redistricting plan to be implemented in time for use in the 2012 primary election (Legislative Redistricting Committee)
1318 § 1	Review the state's irrigation laws and rules and evaluate the process of prioritization of water projects (Water-Related Topics Overview Committee)
1322 § 3	Study use of special assessments for public improvements, use and administration of special assessments across the state, and alternative funding mechanisms available, with emphasis on imposition and relative rate of special assessments against agricultural property, and including examination of agricultural property tax classification and assessment issues, with emphasis on these issues within and near city boundaries (Taxation Committee)
1365 § 1	Study statutes of limitation and venue requirements for civil actions in North Dakota, including a review of the limitation on the length of time that has passed since a cause of action arose and whether the time limitations in current law remain appropriate or should be changed, the extent to which claims are filed in North Dakota courts for claims otherwise prohibited in other states due to the relevant statute of limitation having expired, and a review of the venue requirements for bringing a civil action in North Dakota and whether the venue requirements should be amended to limit claims being brought in this state by nonresidents who have no connection to this state (Judiciary Committee)
1417 § 1	Study the feasibility and desirability of exempting purchases by health-related clinics from sales and use taxes, including what circumstances, if any, purchases by health-related clinics should be exempt from sales and use taxes (Taxation Committee)
1442 § 1	Study regulations of drivers and of motor vehicles in the North Dakota Century Code for consistency, clarity, and substance (Transportation Committee)
2006 § 6	Study the state's income tax credits, including an inventory of all of the state's income tax credits, a review of the nature of each credit, an indication of the targeted class of recipients of each credit, an analysis of possible barriers to using the credits, an analysis of possible gaps and overlaps in the state's income tax credits, the relationship of state income tax credits to federal tax policy, and a review of the effectiveness of each credit (Taxation Committee)
2012 § 9	Study and evaluate the state's qualified service provider system (Human Services Committee)
2032 § 13 (2007)	Study the feasibility and desirability of property tax reform and providing property tax relief to taxpayers of the state, with the goal of reduction of each taxpayer's annual property tax bill to an amount that is not more than 1.5 percent of the true and full value of property, and including examination of the proper measure of education funding from local taxation and state resources and the variability of funding resources among taxing districts and examination of improved collection and reporting of property tax information to identify residency of property owners with minimized administrative difficulty, and considering sustainability of state-funded property tax relief in view of the compounding effect of ongoing property taxable valuation increases (amended by 2011 House Bill No. 1047, Section 15) (Taxation Committee)
2042 § 5	Study the eligibility requirements for the veterans', charitable, educational, religious, fraternal, civic and service, public safety, and public-spirited organizations that conduct charitable gaming (Judiciary Committee)
2044 § 3	Study motor vehicle permit fees, including overweight and overwidth permit fees charged by cities and counties (Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations)
2100 § 3	Study the statutory provisions setting compensation rates for members of executive branch boards and commissions to determine whether it may be desirable to standardize some or all of the compensation rate provisions (Administrative Rules Committee)
2125 § 1	Study the feasibility and desirability of adopting the Uniform Electronic Recording of Custodial Interrogations Act (Judiciary Committee)
2150 § 40	Examine short-term and longer-term state and local involvement in funding elementary and secondary education (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
2234 § 1	Study various mechanisms for improving coordination and consultation regarding federal designation over land or water resources in North Dakota (Natural Resources Committee)
2268 § 2	Study the current system for the diagnosis of, early treatment of, care for, and education of individuals with autism spectrum disorder, including a review of a sliding fee scale for payment of services and the value of services provided; consideration of the recommendations of the Autism Spectrum Disorder Task Force; and input from stakeholders in the private and public sectors, including families affected by autism spectrum disorder, insurers, educators, treatment providers, early childhood service providers, caretakers, and nonprofit intermediate care facilities for individuals with intellectual disabilities (Human Services Committee)
2281 § 2	Study concussion management with respect to youth athletics, including the nature, scope, and applicability of programs designed to prevent or eliminate concussions (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
2302 § 3	Develop recommendations for the investment of funds in the legacy fund and the budget stabilization fund to present to the State Investment Board (Legacy and Budget Stabilization Fund Advisory Board)

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2305 § 1	Study the issue of juvenile court jurisdiction and the adult court transfer process and whether any additional juvenile court jurisdictional extensions would serve the best interests of the child and the public in cases in which the child is close to the age of majority (Judiciary Committee)
2336 § 1 (2009)	Legislative overview of water-related topics and related matters for any necessary discussions with adjacent states on water-related topics (Water-Related Topics Overview Committee)
2351 § 2	Study the assessment of mandatory fees and fees for optional purposes or services by institutions under the control of the State Board of Higher Education, including the manner in which such fees are determined, identified, and justified and whether the programs, purposes, services, and activities supported by such fees should in fact be supported by tuition dollars, legislative appropriations, or other public or private funding sources (Higher Education Committee)
2356 § 2	Study use of special assessments for public improvements, use and administration of special assessments across the state, and alternative funding mechanisms available and possible processes and procedures that would facilitate a transition to any recommended alternative funding mechanisms (Taxation Committee)
3001	Study North Dakota Century Code provisions that relate to agriculture for the purpose of recommending changes to laws that are found to be irrelevant, inconsistent, illogically arranged, or unclear in their intent and direction (Agriculture Committee)
3007	Study eminent domain laws as they relate to pipeline siting (Energy Development and Transmission Committee)
3011	Study the feasibility and desirability of adopting the Revised Uniform Limited Liability Company Act (Judiciary Committee)
3030	Study the feasibility and desirability of requiring use of cigarette tax stamps (Taxation Committee)
3032	Study the needs of, economic values of, and methods to improve access roadways to recreational, tourist, and historical sites in North Dakota (Transportation Committee)
4001	Study the imposition of fees by courts at sentencing and other fees that are imposed upon offenders (Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration)
4005	Study the impact of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act on the Comprehensive Health Association of North Dakota and the statutes governing the Comprehensive Health Association of North Dakota (Health Care Reform Review Committee)
4012	Study the feasibility and desirability of placing the entire Fort Berthold Reservation in a single public health unit (Health Services Committee)
4020	Study the causes of the increases in Department of Human Services' caseloads and program utilization and the impact of federal health care reform (Human Services Committee)

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4-01-23	Receive report from the Advisory Committee on Sustainable Agriculture on the status of the committee's activities (Agriculture Committee)
4-02.1-18	Receive annual audit report from the State Fair Association (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
4-05.1-19(8)	Receive report from the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education on its annual evaluation of research activities and expenditures (Agriculture Committee)
4-05.1-19(10)	Receive status report from the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education (Budget Section)
4-24-10	Determine when agricultural commodity promotion groups must report to the standing Agriculture Committees (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
4-35.2-04	Determine when the Agriculture Commissioner must submit a biennial report to a joint meeting of the House of Representatives and Senate Agriculture Committees on the status of the pesticide container disposal program (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
10-19.1-152	Receive annual audit report from a corporation receiving an ethanol alcohol or methanol production subsidy (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
10-32-156	Receive annual audit report from any limited liability company that produces agricultural ethanol alcohol or methanol in this state and which receives a production subsidy from the state (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
15-03-04	Approve any purchase of commercial or residential property by the Board of University and School Lands as sole owner (Budget Section)
15-10-12.1	Authorize the State Board of Higher Education to authorize construction of any building, or campus improvements and building maintenance of more than \$385,000, if financed by donations (Budget Section)
15-10-12.3	Receive biennial report from each institution under the control of the State Board of Higher Education undertaking a capital construction project that was approved by the Legislative Assembly and for which local funds are to be used which details the source of all funds used in the project (Budget Section)

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15-10-44	Receive report from the State Board of Higher Education, on request, regarding higher education information technology planning, services, and major projects (Information Technology Committee)
15-10-47	Receive reports from the Office of Management and Budget regarding the State Board of Higher Education's monthly project variance reports regarding construction projects valued at more than \$250,000 (Budget Section)
15-39.1-10.11	Receive annual report from the Board of Trustees of the Teachers' Fund for Retirement regarding annual test of actuarial adequacy of statutory contribution rate (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
15-52-04	Receive biennial report and recommendations from the University of North Dakota School of Medicine and Health Sciences Advisory Council regarding the strategic plan, programs, and facilities of the School of Medicine and Health Sciences (Higher Education Committee)
15-62.2-05	Receive annual report from the State Board of Higher Education regarding the number of North Dakota academic scholarships and career and technical education scholarships provided and demographic information pertaining to the recipients (Higher Education Committee)
15-69-02	Approve, reject, or rerefer, upon receiving a recommendation from the Emergency Commission and in conjunction with the State Board of Higher Education and the North Dakota Economic Development Foundation, designation of a center of excellence recommended by the Centers of Excellence Commission - Repealed effective August 1, 2023 (Budget Section)
15-69-05	Receive annual audits from a center of excellence that is awarded funds under NDCC Chapter 15-69 on the funds distributed to the center, until completion of four years following the final distribution of funds - Repealed effective August 1, 2023 (Budget Section)
15-70-05	Receive report from any tribally controlled community college receiving a grant under NDCC Chapter 15-70 detailing the expenditures of the grant funds, a copy of the institution's latest audit report, and documentation of the enrollment status of students (Higher Education Committee)
15.1-02-09	Receive annual report from the Superintendent of Public Instruction by the end of February on the financial condition of school districts (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
15.1-02-13	Receive from the Superintendent of Public Instruction the compilation of annual school district employee compensation reports (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
15.1-02-18	Receive report from the Statewide Longitudinal Data System Committee on the status of the plan for a longitudinal data system (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
15.1-02-18	Receive report from the Statewide Longitudinal Data System Committee on the status of the plan for a longitudinal data system (Higher Education Committee)
15.1-02-18	Receive report from the Statewide Longitudinal Data System Committee on the status of the plan for a longitudinal data system (Information Technology Committee)
15.1-06-08	Receive report from the Superintendent of Public Instruction of a request from a school or school district for a waiver of any rule governing the accreditation of schools (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
15.1-06-08.1	Receive report from the Superintendent of Public Instruction of a request from a school or school district for a waiver of NDCC Section 15.1-21-03 (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
15.1-21-10	Receive from the Superintendent of Public Instruction the compilation of test scores of a test aligned to the state content standards in reading and mathematics given annually to students in three grades statewide (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
17-02-01	Receive statement from an ethanol plant in operation before July 1, 1995, and receiving a production incentive from the state indicating whether the plant produced a profit from its operation in the preceding fiscal year, after deducting the payments received under the section (Budget Section)
17-07-01	Receive biennial report from the Energy Policy Commission and its recommendations to the state energy policy (Energy Development and Transmission Committee)
18-13-02(6)	Receive report from the State Fire Marshal each interim on the State Fire Marshal's findings and any recommendation for legislation to improve the effectiveness of the law on reduced ignition propensity standards for cigarettes (Health Services Committee)
19-03.1-44	Receive report from the Attorney General before July 1 of every even-numbered year on the current status and trends of unlawful drug use and abuse and drug control and enforcement efforts in this state (Judiciary Committee)
20.1-02-05.1	Approve comprehensive statewide land acquisition plan established by the director of the Game and Fish Department and every land acquisition of more than 10 acres or exceeding \$10,000 by the Game and Fish Department (Budget Section)
20.1-02-16.1	Authorize the Game and Fish Department to spend money in the game and fish fund if the balance would be reduced below \$15 million (Budget Section)
21-10-11	Receive at least semiannual reports from the Legacy and Budget Stabilization Fund Advisory Board (Budget Section)

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25-04-02.2	Authorize the Developmental Center at Westwood Park to provide services under contract with a governmental or nongovernmental person (Budget Section)
25-04-17	Receive report on writeoff of patients' accounts at the Developmental Center at Westwood Park (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
26.1-50-05	Receive annual audited financial statement and report from the North Dakota low-risk incentive fund (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
28-32-07	Approve extension of time for administrative agencies to adopt rules (Administrative Rules Committee)
28-32-10	Establish standard procedures for administrative agency compliance with notice requirements of proposed rulemaking (Administrative Rules Committee)
28-32-10	Establish procedure to distribute copies of administrative agency filings of notice of proposed rulemaking (Administrative Rules Committee)
28-32-18	Determine whether an administrative rule is void (Administrative Rules Committee)
28-32-42	Receive notice of appeal of an administrative agency's rulemaking action (Administrative Rules Committee)
36-22-09	Receive audit report of the North Dakota Stockmen's Association (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
37-17.1-27	Approve, with the Emergency Commission, use of the state disaster relief fund to provide the required state share of funding for expenses associated with presidential-declared disasters in the state (Budget Section)
38-22-15	Receive, along with the Governor, report from the Industrial Commission in December 2014 and every four years thereafter discussing whether the amount in the carbon dioxide storage facility trust fund and fees being paid into the fund are sufficient to satisfy the fund's objectives (Energy Development and Transmission Committee)
40-23-22.1	Approve waiver of exemption of state property in a city from special assessments levied for flood control purposes (Budget Section)
40-63-03	Receive annual reports from the Division of Community Services on renaissance zone progress (Taxation Committee)
40-63-07	Receive annual report from the Division of Community Services on conclusions of annual audits of renaissance fund organizations (Budget Section)
45-10.2-115	Receive annual audit report from a limited partnership receiving an ethanol alcohol or methanol production subsidy (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
46-02-05	Determine contents of contracts for printing of legislative bills, resolutions, journals, and Session Laws (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
47-30.1-24.1	Receive report from the commissioner of University and School Lands identifying every state agency that has not submitted a claim for property belonging to that agency (Budget Section)
47-30.1-24.1	Approve state agency relinquishment of unclaimed property belonging to that agency (Budget Section)
48-01.2-25	Approve the change or expansion of, or any additional expenditure for, a state building construction project approved by the Legislative Assembly (Budget Section)
48-01.2-26	Receive report from the Office of Management and Budget regarding change orders or additional expenses approved by the Office of Management and Budget for a public improvement project exceeding the bid amount that was less than the appropriation from the state general fund for the project (Budget Section)
49-24-13	Receive written report from the North Dakota Transmission Authority each biennium (Energy Development and Transmission Committee)
50-06-05.1	Approve termination of federal food stamp or energy assistance program (Budget Section)
50-06-31	Receive report from the Department of Human Services before March 1 of each even-numbered year on services provided by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation relating to individuals at the State Hospital who have been committed to the care and custody of the executive director of the Department of Human Services (Judiciary Committee)
50-06-32	Receive autism spectrum disorder plan from the Autism Spectrum Disorder Task Force before July 1, 2010, and an annual status report thereafter (Human Services Committee)
50-06.3-08	Receive annual report from the Department of Human Services on writeoff of recipients' or patients' accounts (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
50-29-02	Receive annual report from the Department of Human Services describing enrollment statistics and costs associated with the children's health insurance program state plan (Human Services Committee)
52-02-17	Receive report from Job Service North Dakota before March 1 of each year on the actual job insurance trust fund balance and the targeted modified average high-cost multiplier, as of December 31 of the previous year, and a projected trust fund balance for the next three years (Budget Section)
52-02-18	Receive report of biennial performance audit of the divisions of Job Service North Dakota (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)

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53-06.2-04	Receive biennial report from the Racing Commission and recommendations for legislation which address the issue of the liability of charitable organizations that receive and disburse money handled through account wagering (Judiciary Committee)
53-12.1-03	Receive report, as requested, from the director of the North Dakota Lottery regarding the operation of the lottery (Judiciary Committee)
54-03-20	Establish guidelines on maximum reimbursement of legislators sharing lodging during a legislative session (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-03-26	Determine the fee payable by legislators for use of personal computers (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-03-26	Establish policy under which a legislator may purchase the computer used by that legislator upon replacement of the computer by the Legislative Council (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-03-28	Contract with a private entity, after receiving recommendations from the Insurance Commissioner, to provide a cost-benefit analysis of every legislative measure mandating health insurance coverage of services or payment for specified providers of services, or an amendment that mandates such coverage or payment (Health Services Committee)
54-06-26	Establish guidelines defining reasonable and appropriate use of state telephones by legislative branch personnel (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-06-30	Receive report from Human Resource Management Services on the number of employees receiving bonuses above the 25 percent limitation (Budget Section)
54-06-31	Receive periodic reports from Human Resource Management Services on the implementation, progress, and bonuses provided by state agency programs to provide bonuses to recruit or retain employees in hard-to-fill positions (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
54-06-32	Approve, with the State Personnel Board, rules adopted by Human Resource Management Services authorizing service awards to employees in the classified service (Administrative Rules Committee)
54-06-32	Receive biennial report from the Office of Management and Budget summarizing reports of state agencies providing service awards to employees in the classified service (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
54-06-33	Approve, with the State Personnel Board, rules adopted by Human Resource Management Services authorizing state agencies to provide employer-paid costs of training or educational courses to employees in the classified service (Administrative Rules Committee)
54-06-33	Receive biennial report from the Office of Management and Budget summarizing reports of state agencies providing employer-paid costs of training or educational courses to employees in the classified service (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
54-06-34	Receive biennial report from the Office of Management and Budget summarizing reports of executive branch state agencies paying employee membership dues for professional organizations and membership dues for service clubs when required to do business or if the membership is primarily for the benefit of the state (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
54-10-01	Approve the State Auditor's hiring of a consultant to assist with conducting a performance audit of a state agency (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
54-10-01	Determine frequency of audits of state agencies (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
54-10-01	Determine necessary performance audits by the State Auditor (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
54-10-13	Determine when the State Auditor is to perform audits of political subdivisions (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
54-10-15	Order the State Auditor to audit or review the accounts of any political subdivision (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
54-10-28; 54-35-15.4	Determine information technology compliance reviews to be conducted by the State Auditor and receive the results of those reviews (Information Technology Committee)
54-11-01	Receive report from the State Treasurer, within 90 days of the beginning of each fiscal year, regarding all warrants and checks outstanding for more than 90 days and less than three years (Budget Section)
54-14-03.1	Receive reports on fiscal irregularities (Budget Section)
54-16-04	Approve transfers exceeding \$50,000 from one fund or line item to another unless necessary to comply with a court order or to avoid imminent threat to safety or imminent financial loss to the state (Budget Section)
54-16-04	Approve transfers of money or spending authority which would eliminate or make impossible accomplishment of a program or objective funded by the Legislative Assembly (Budget Section)
54-16-04.1	Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's acceptance of federal funds in excess of \$50,000 if the acceptance of funds is not necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (Budget Section)

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54-16-04.1	Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's expenditure of federal funds in excess of \$50,000 if the acceptance of funds is necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (Budget Section)
54-16-04.1	Approve, with the Emergency Commission, acceptance of any federal funds made available to the state which are not for a specific purpose or program and which are not required to be spent before the next regular legislative session for deposit in a special fund until the Legislative Assembly appropriates the funds (Budget Section)
54-16-04.2	Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's acceptance of funds in excess of \$50,000 if the acceptance of funds is not necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (Budget Section)
54-16-04.2	Approve Emergency Commission authorization of a state officer's expenditure of funds in excess of \$50,000 if the acceptance of funds is necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (Budget Section)
54-16-04.3	Approve, on the advice of the Office of Management and Budget and the recommendation of the Emergency Commission, a state officer to employ full-time equivalent positions in addition to those authorized by the Legislative Assembly (Budget Section)
54-16-09	Approve Emergency Commission authorization of transfer of spending authority from the state contingencies appropriation in excess of \$50,000 if the transfer is not necessary to avoid an imminent threat to the safety of people or property due to a natural disaster or war crisis or an imminent financial loss to the state (Budget Section)
54-17.7-13	Receive biennial report from the North Dakota Pipeline Authority on its activities (Energy Development and Transmission Committee)
54-23.3-09	Receive report from the director of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation on any new program that serves adult or juvenile offenders, including alternatives to conventional incarceration and programs operated on a contract basis, if the program is anticipated to cost in excess of \$100,000 during a biennium (Budget Section)
54-27-22	Approve use of the capital improvements planning revolving fund (Budget Section)
54-27-23	Approve use of cashflow financing (Budget Section)
54-27-27	Receive report from the Office of Management and Budget at each meeting of the Budget Section regarding the reports received from state agencies, other than entities under the control of the State Board of Higher Education, that have applied for federal grants estimated to be \$25,000 or more (Budget Section)
54-27.2-03	Receive report on transfers of funds from the budget stabilization fund to the state general fund to offset projected decrease in general fund revenues (Budget Section)
54-35-02	Determine access to legislative information services and impose fees for providing legislative information services and copies of legislative documents (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-35-02	Establish guidelines for use of legislative chambers and displays in Memorial Hall (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-35-02	Review uniform laws recommended by the Commission on Uniform State Laws (Judiciary Committee)
54-35-02.2	Study and review audit reports submitted by the State Auditor (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
54-35-02.4	Review legislative measures and proposals affecting public employees retirement programs and health and retiree health plans (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
54-35-02.6	Study and review administrative rules and related statutes (Administrative Rules Committee)
54-35-02.7	Legislative overview of water-related topics and related matters and any necessary discussions with adjacent states on water-related topics (until December 1, 2013) (Water-Related Topics Overview Committee)
54-35-02.7	Review during the 2011-12 interim the state's irrigation laws and rules and evaluate the process of the prioritization of water projects (until December 1, 2013) (Water-Related Topics Overview Committee)
54-35-02.8	As the Legislative Ethics Committee, consider or prepare a legislative code of ethics (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-35-11	Make arrangements for legislative session (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-35-15.2	Receive a project startup report and a project closeout report from the affected legislative or judicial branch agency regarding any information technology project with a total cost of \$250,000 or more (Information Technology Committee)
54-35-15.2	Receive a report from the Chief Information Officer regarding the recommendations of the State Information Technology Advisory Committee relating to the prioritization of proposed major information technology projects and other information technology issues (Information Technology Committee)

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54-35-15.2	Receive and review information received from the Information Technology Department relating to higher education information technology projects with a cost of \$250,000 in one biennium or a total cost of \$500,000 and receive and review information from the department regarding any information technology project of an executive branch agency with a total cost of between \$100,000 and \$250,000 (Information Technology Committee)
54-35-15.2	Receive information from the State Board of Higher Education regarding higher education information technology planning, services, and major projects (Information Technology Committee)
54-35-15.2	Review the activities of the Information Technology Department, statewide information technology standards, the statewide information technology plan, and major information technology projects; review cost-benefit analyses of major projects; conduct studies; and make recommendations regarding established or proposed information technology programs and information technology acquisition (Information Technology Committee)
54-35-18	Study the impact of a comprehensive energy policy for the state and the development of each facet of the energy industry from the obtaining of the raw natural resource to the sale of the final product in this state, other states, and other countries (Energy Development and Transmission Committee)
54-35-22	Review workers' compensation claims that are brought to the committee by injured workers for the purpose of determining whether changes should be made to the laws relating to workers' compensation (Workers' Compensation Review Committee)
54-35-23	Study tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations, human services, education, corrections, and issues related to the promotion of economic development (until August 1, 2013) (Tribal and State Relations Committee)
54-35-23	Study whether members of the North Dakota Tribal Governments' Task Force should be voting members of the committee (Tribal and State Relations Committee)
54-35-24	Study sentencing alternatives, mandatory sentences, treatment options, the expanded use of problem-solving courts, home monitoring, and other related issues (until August 1, 2013) (Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration)
54-35.2-02	Study local government structure, fiscal and other powers and functions of local governments, relationships between and among local governments and the state or any other government, allocation of state and local resources, and interstate issues involving local governments (Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations)
54-40-01	Approve any agreement between a North Dakota state entity and South Dakota to form a bistate authority (Government Services Committee)
54-44-04	Receive report from the director of the Office of Management and Budget on the status of tobacco settlement funds and related information (Budget Section)
54-44-16	Receive report from the Office of Management and Budget regarding any purchase of oil put options by the State Investment Board to offset reduced state general fund oil and gas tax revenues due to oil and gas prices falling below selected levels (Budget Section)
54-44.1-07	Prescribe form of budget information prepared by the director of the budget (Budget Section)
54-44.1-12.1	Object to any allotment by the director of the budget, any expenditure of a budget unit, or any failure to make an allotment or expenditure if the action or failure to act is contrary to legislative intent (Budget Section)
54-44.1-13.1	Approve reduction of budgets due to initiative or referendum action (Budget Section)
54-44.4-02.2	Receive report from the Office of Management and Budget in December of even-numbered years regarding commodities and services exempted from state procurement requirements (Budget Section)
54-52.1-08.2	Approve terminology adopted by the Public Employees Retirement System Board to comply with federal requirements (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
54-56-03	Approve grants, not otherwise specifically approved by the Legislative Assembly, distributed by the Children's Services Coordinating Committee to children's services organizations and programs (Budget Section)
54-59-02.1	Receive from the Chief Information Officer recommendations of the department's advisory committee regarding major software projects for consideration and the drafting of appropriate legislation to implement the recommendations (Information Technology Committee)
54-59-05(4)	Approve execution by the Information Technology Department of proposed agreement to finance the purchase of software, equipment, or implementation of services in excess of \$1 million (Budget Section)
54-59-12	Receive report from the Chief Information Officer regarding the coordination of services with political subdivisions and from the Chief Information Officer and the commissioner of the State Board of Higher Education regarding coordination of information technology between the Information Technology Department and higher education (Information Technology Committee)
54-59-13	Receive report from the Information Technology Department regarding any executive branch state agency or institution that does not agree to conform to its information technology plan or comply with statewide policies and standards (Information Technology Committee)

<b>NDCC Citation</b>	<b>Subject Matter (Committee)</b>
54-59-19	Receive annual report from the Information Technology Department (Information Technology Committee)
54-59-19	Receive summary of annual report from the Information Technology Department (Budget Section)
54-60-03	Determine the standing committees that will receive the report from the Commissioner of Commerce on the department's goals and objectives, its long-term goals and objectives, and on commerce benchmarks (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
54-60-27	Receive report from the Division of Workforce Development on the use of funding provided for the higher education electronic portfolio system pilot program (expires July 1, 2013) (Budget Section)
54-60.1-07	Receive the compilation and summary of state grantor reports filed annually by the Department of Commerce and the reports of state agencies that award business incentives for the previous calendar year (Taxation Committee)
54-61-03	Receive annual report from the director of the Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigents containing pertinent data on the indigent defense contract system and established public defender offices (Judiciary Committee)
54-65-03	Receive annual audits from a center of research excellence receiving funds under NDCC Chapter 54-65 on funds distributed to the center (Budget Section)
57-38-01.29	Receive report (for review) from the Tax Commissioner regarding any reduction the Tax Commissioner makes in the homestead property income tax credit (Budget Section)
57-38-01.30	Approve any reduction the Tax Commissioner makes in the commercial property income tax credit (Budget Section)
57-40.6-12	Receive report from the Emergency Services Communications Coordinating Committee by November 1 of each even-numbered year regarding the use of the assessed communications services fee revenue; and receive recommendation regarding changes to the operating standards for emergency services communications, including training or certification standards for dispatchers (Transportation Committee)
57-51-15	Receive report from the Tax Commissioner within 120 days after the end of each fiscal year from compiled reports from counties receiving allocations of oil and gas gross production tax revenues describing funds received, expended, and unexpended (Taxation Committee)
57-51.2-04	Receive report from the Governor describing the negotiations and terms of any agreement between the Governor and the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation relating to taxation and regulation of oil and gas exploration and production within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation and thereafter receive biennial reports describing the agreement's implementation and any difficulties in its implementation (Tribal and State Relations Committee)
57-60-02.1	Receive annual report from the operator of a coal conversion facility that receives a carbon dioxide capture credit for certain coal conversion facilities regarding the facility's carbon dioxide capture project (Energy Development and Transmission Committee)
61-40-09	Determine whether the Western Area Water Supply Authority is unable to reimburse the state, due to default on the authority's bonds, in the time period required by the Budget Section, the Budget Section may give written notice to the authority that the state has taken possession and ownership of the water system and the liabilities of the authority; and approve the State Water Commission's plan to return governance to the authority (Budget Section)
65-02-30	Receive report from the director of Workforce Safety and Insurance, the chairman of the Workforce Safety and Insurance Board of Directors, and the audit firm regarding the quadrennial performance evaluation of Workforce Safety and Insurance and select no more than four elements for inclusion in the performance evaluation (Workers' Compensation Review Committee)
65-03-05	Receive biennial report from Workforce Safety and Insurance regarding compiled data relating to safety grants issued under NDCC Chapter 65-03 (Workers' Compensation Review Committee)
65-04-03.1	Receive periodic reports from Workforce Safety and Insurance and the Risk Management Division of the Office of Management and Budget on the success of a single workers' compensation account for state entities covered by NDCC Chapter 32-12.2 (Budget Section)
65-05.1-06.3	Receive annual report from Workforce Safety and Insurance which includes reports on pilot programs to assess alternative methods of providing rehabilitation services (Workers' Compensation Review Committee)
65-06.2-09	Receive report from Workforce Safety and Insurance on recommendations based on a biennial safety review of Roughrider Industries work programs and a biennial performance review of the program of modified workers' compensation coverage by Workforce Safety and Insurance (Workers' Compensation Review Committee)
65-08.1-02	Authorize establishment of casualty insurance organization to provide extraterritorial workforce safety and insurance (Budget Section)

<b>2007 Session Laws Citation</b>	<b>Subject Matter (Committee)</b>
Chapter 520 § 13	Study the feasibility and desirability of property tax reform and providing property tax relief to taxpayers of the state, with the goal of reduction of each taxpayer's annual property tax bill to an amount that is not more than 1.5 percent of the true and full value of property, and including examination of the proper measure of education funding from local taxation and state resources and the variability of funding resources among taxing districts and examination of improved collection and reporting of property tax information to identify residency of property owners with minimized administrative difficulty (Taxation Committee)
<b>2009 Session Laws Citation</b>	<b>Subject Matter (Committee)</b>
Chapter 29 § 5	Administer appropriation for legislative wing equipment and improvements (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
Chapter 64 § 5	Receive periodic reports from the Adjutant General on 2009 flood disaster-related expenditures, transfers, reimbursements, and general fund deposits for the period beginning April 9, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011 (Budget Section)
Chapter 562 § 5	Receive report from the Tax Commissioner during the 2013-14 interim regarding the findings and recommendations of the commissioner's cost-benefit analysis during the 2009-11 and 2011-13 bienniums of the coal severance tax exemption for coal used in certain plants (Taxation Committee)
<b>2011 Session Laws Citation</b>	<b>Subject Matter (Committee)</b>
Chapter 1 § 6	Administer appropriation for legislative committee room renovations and improvements (Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee)
Chapter 3 § 7	Receive report from the University System regarding any funds expended for the University System and University of North Dakota joint information technology building project (Budget Section)
Chapter 3 § 8	Receive report from North Dakota State University regarding the status of the Minard Hall project and authorize North Dakota State University to increase spending authorization for the project (Budget Section)
Chapter 4 § 5	Receive quarterly reports from the State Department of Health during the 2011-12 interim regarding the status of any litigation and other administrative proceedings involving the United States Environmental Protection Agency (Budget Section)
Chapter 4, § 9	Receive the results of the performance audit of the Family Health Division of the State Department of Health during the 2011-13 biennium (Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee)
Chapter 15 § 5	Receive quarterly reports from the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation during the 2011-12 interim regarding the progress of the prison expansion project and any amounts and purposes of loans from the Bank of North Dakota to defray expenses of the project (Budget Section)
Chapter 24 § 2	Receive quarterly written reports from the Tobacco Prevention and Control Executive Committee during the 2011-12 interim, including detailed information on expenditures for contract services, professional fees and services, and grants (Budget Section)
Chapter 429 § 4	Receive periodic reports from the Office of Management and Budget during the 2011-12 interim on the status of implementation of the compensation system changes in accordance with identified compensation system initiatives (Budget Section)
Chapter 188 § 3	Receive report from the Health Council by July 1, 2012, regarding the findings of its review of current health care bed recommendations and whether changes should be made to better serve the population of North Dakota (Health Services Committee)
Chapter 126 § 1	Receive periodic reports from the Superintendent of Public Instruction regarding the Superintendent's study of Indian education issues and the development of criteria for grants to low-performing schools during the 2011-13 biennium (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
Chapter 461 § 2	Receive report from the Tax Commissioner during the 2011-12 and 2013-14 interims regarding the number of in-state and out-of-state investors, amount of investment, and amount of tax credits accrued, claimed, and transferred by each individual angel fund (Taxation Committee)
Chapter 211 § 2	Receive regular updates from the Insurance Commissioner during the 2011-12 interim regarding administration and enforcement of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, proposed legislation for consideration at a special legislative session, and proposed legislation by October 15, 2012, for the 2013 regular session (Health Care Reform Review Committee)
Chapter 225 § 3	Receive regular updates from the Insurance Commissioner and Department of Human Services during the 2011-12 interim on planning and implementing an American health benefit exchange for the state and proposed legislation for consideration at a special legislative session or proposed legislation by October 15, 2012, for the 2013 regular session (Health Care Reform Review Committee)

2011 Session Laws Citation	Subject Matter (Committee)
Chapter 218 § 6	Receive regular updates from the Insurance Commissioner during the 2011-12 interim with respect to steps taken to ensure health insurer procedures are in compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, proposed legislation for consideration at a special legislative session if the commissioner is required by federal law to implement any requirement before January 1, 2013, and proposed legislation by October 15, 2012, for any requirement that must be implemented between January 1, 2013, and January 1, 2014 (Health Care Reform Review Committee)
Chapter 500 § 6	Consult with the State Water Commission in setting the priority within the commission's budget of a loan of \$40 million from the resources trust fund at the request of the Western Area Water Supply Authority (Water-Related Topics Overview Committee)
Chapter 129 § 6	Receive a report from representatives of the Grand Forks, Minot, Grand Forks Air Force Base, and Minot Air Force Base school districts before July 1, 2012, regarding the state's participation in the Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
Chapter 109 § 15	Receive report from the State Department of Health before January 1, 2012, April 1, 2012, and July 1, 2012, on the status and outcome of the department's creation of an inventory of material gathered relating to abortions and a report outlining the department's practices in gathering the items in the inventory (Health Services Committee)
Chapter 174 § 2	Receive a report from the Game and Fish Department by September 1, 2012, regarding the findings of its study of goose hunting in this state, tracking the number of resident and nonresident goose hunters and the number of geese taken by county (Natural Resources Committee)
Chapter 183 § 2	Receive a report from the Health Information Technology Advisory Committee by June 30, 2012, regarding the outline on how best to standardize drug prior authorization request transactions between providers and the payers, insurance companies, and pharmacy benefit managers (Human Services Committee)
Chapter 36 § 9	Receive report from the Insurance Commissioner at each meeting of the Budget Section during the 2011-12 interim regarding the status of provisions of the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act (Budget Section)
Chapter 38 § 3	Receive report from the Department of Human Services after June 30, 2012, regarding any transfers of appropriation authority in excess of \$50,000 between line items within subdivisions and between subdivisions for the 2011-13 biennium (Budget Section)
Chapter 38 § 6	Receive periodic reports from the Department of Human Services during the 2011-12 interim regarding the status of the dementia care services program (Human Services Committee)
Chapter 41 § 10	Receive periodic reports from the Office of Management and Budget during the 2011-12 interim on the status of implementation and administration of the compensation philosophy statement and compensation system initiatives included in House Bill No. 1031 (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)
Chapter 41 § 31	Approve, with the Emergency Commission, award and expenditure of tourism infrastructure grants for the 2011-13 biennium by the Department of Commerce under Senate Bill No. 2057 (Budget Section)
Chapter 46 § 4	Approve State Water Commission expenditure of funds in excess of \$447,913,774 in the water and atmospheric resource line item of the commission's 2011-13 appropriation (Budget Section)
Chapter 353 § 1	Receive reports from the Department of Human Services and its steering committee beginning in June 2012 regarding the development of a new developmental disabilities reimbursement system (Human Services Committee)
Chapter 301 § 1	Receive annual report from the Department of Commerce compiling reports from cities that have a renaissance zone included in a tax increment financing district (Taxation Committee)
Chapter 147 § 39	Receive report from the Superintendent of Public Instruction regarding notices received from boards of school districts which determine that providing at least 70 percent of all new money received for per student payments to increase compensation paid to teachers would result in the school district having insufficient fiscal resources to meet the district's other obligations (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
Chapter 147 § 42	Receive report from the Superintendent of Public Instruction before October 1, 2012, regarding data collected regarding the provision of services to students in grades 6 through 8 who are enrolled in an alternative education program (Education Funding and Taxation Committee)
Chapter 354 § 1	Receive report from the Department of Human Services before September 30, 2012, regarding the department's preliminary findings and recommendations concerning its regional autism spectrum disorder centers of early intervention and achievement pilot program, and receive written report from the department before December 31, 2012, summarizing the status of the pilot program and any findings and recommendations (Human Services Committee)
Chapter 53 § 1	Receive at least annual reports from the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute during the 2011-12 interim regarding the status of reports for transportation infrastructure needs for all county and township roads in the state (Budget Section)

<b>2011 Session Laws Citation</b>	<b>Subject Matter (Committee)</b>
Chapter 355 § 2	Receive preliminary findings and any recommendation from the Department of Human Services before September 30, 2012, regarding the department's comprehensive review of the substance abuse services pilot voucher payment program (Human Services Committee)
Chapter 261 § 2	Receive report from the Department of Emergency Services regarding distribution of emergency snow removal grants before June 30, 2011 (Budget Section)
Chapter 261 § 4	Approve, with the Emergency Commission, use of funds appropriated to the Adjutant General for defraying expenses associated with presidential-declared state disasters and certain flood mitigation efforts (Budget Section)
Chapter 523	Hold the required legislative hearings on state plans for the receipt and expenditure of new or revised block grants passed by Congress (Budget Section)

### **LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT ASSIGNMENTS**

The following table identifies additional assignments by the Legislative Management or the Legislative Management chairman to interim committees.

<b>Responsibility</b>	<b>Interim Committee</b>
Review and analyze state budget-related information	Government Services Committee
Study the feasibility and desirability of developing a state plan that provides North Dakota citizens with access to and coverage for health care which is affordable for all North Dakota citizens	Health Care Reform Review Committee
Study alternative funding methods for higher education	Higher Education Committee
Study higher education governance	Higher Education Committee
Study methods to improve higher education accountability	Higher Education Committee
Receive information from the University System office and Dickinson State University staff regarding the internal review report of international transfer agreements at Dickinson State University	Higher Education Committee
Review the potential implications on the state of a recent opinion of the United States Department of Justice's opinion on Internet gambling which indicated that interstate transmissions of wire communications that do not relate to a sporting event or contest fall outside the reach of the federal Wire Act of 1961	Judiciary Committee
Review the recent announcement of the United States Department of Justice regarding a revised definition of rape within the Federal Bureau of Investigation's Uniform Crime Reporting program and determine whether state statutory changes are necessary in light of this revised definition	Judiciary Committee
Study ramifications of initiated measure to prohibit local imposition of property taxes	Property Tax Measure Review Committee
Study the feasibility and desirability of oil extraction tax rate reductions and elimination of selected exemptions which would take effect at certain levels of increased production and revenue	Taxation Committee
Study the federal government's management of Garrison Dam	Water-Related Topics Overview Committee

### **STUDY MEASURES NOT PRIORITIZED**

The following table lists the study directives not prioritized by the Legislative Management for study during the 2011-12 interim under authority of NDCC Section 54-35-02. The subject matter of many of these measures is the same or similar to the subject matter of studies that were given priority or of study assignments by the Legislative Management.

<b>Bill or Resolution No.</b>	<b>Subject Matter</b>
1003 § 22	Study programs offered by University System institutions that address the workforce needs of the state, including a review of the use of graduated tuition rates to increase enrollment in programs that address workforce needs
1007 § 4	Study all available options, including demolition, for the disposition of the old Veterans' Home facility
1007 § 5	Study the delivery of services to veterans, including the consistency in training and of the provision of services by county veterans' service officers
1152 § 2	Study and evaluate the positive and negative impacts of implementation of patient-centered medical homes in the state, including consideration of whether implementation is resulting in North Dakota residents experiencing health care savings and improved medical results as well as whether implementation is impacting North Dakota's critical access hospitals

Bill or Resolution No.	Subject Matter
1225 § 3	Study county and city emergency fund levies and expenditures and jurisdictional responsibilities and issues relating to emergency fund levies and expenditures
1375 § 1	Study the benefits offered in this and other states to National Guard members, including life insurance coverage
1386 § 1	Study whether steps can be taken to improve health care service providers' access to third-party payer reimbursement network systems in order to improve North Dakotans' access to health care services and to contain their health care costs and out-of-pocket expenses
2008 § 5	Study gas pipelines in the state focusing on safety concerns of gas utility distributions and transmission, including all pipeline activity and addressing the jurisdiction of pipelines in the state in consultation with the Public Service Commission, Industrial Commission, and North Dakota One Call
2057 § 31	Study the development of a reliable means of estimating the effect of future population growth on state and local government revenues
2057 § 32	Study the means by which training and assistance are provided to early childhood services providers and the efficiency of administering training and assistance to early childhood services providers, including whether there is duplication of efforts; review the effectiveness of funding provided to the Department of Human Services for early childhood care, including workforce development, child care capacity, and quality improvement for early childhood facilities, for the 2009-11 biennium and to the Department of Commerce for financing to early childhood facilities and early childhood facility grants for technical assistance, a business plan, or infrastructure for the 2009-11 biennium; and consider the effectiveness of funding provided to the Department of Human Services for child care service provider grants for the 2011-13 biennium
2079 § 2	Study the exploitation of the state's elderly and the state's vulnerable adult population, including a review of the vulnerable adult protection system and the use of NDCC Sections 12.1-31-07, 12.1-31-07.1, and 12.1-31-07.2 and any barriers to the use of those sections; a review of state and county services available to detect and respond to elderly abuse; and a statewide review of the role public administrators and guardians have in providing services to the elderly and to vulnerable adults
2150 § 41	Study the provision and funding of adult education
2279 § 5	Study the North Dakota veterans' preference laws
2298 § 4	Study the delivery of early childhood services and programs aimed at providing services to children, such as Head Start, temporary assistance for needy families, the early childhood comprehensive system program, and Department of Public Instruction-approved preschools and the funding sources for the recipients and providers of these services, including a review of the various agencies involved in providing grants and other funding for the recipients and providers of these services
2318 § 1	Study carbon dioxide storage easements and the duration of carbon dioxide storage easements
2342 § 3	Study the laws and rules relating to subsurface field tiling
2367 § 1	Study the physical, emotional, and financial effects associated with divorce involving dependent children, and offer legislative policy solutions, including divorce reform legislation and marriage and relational education, which will lead to increasing the number of dependent children living in intact families
3003	Study the impact of federal health care reform legislation on this state
3010	Study passenger rail service in the state, including options for implementing passenger rail service in the southern part of the state
3036	Study the trial by jury rights of a person charged with the commission of a misdemeanor, including the extent to which jury trials are conducted in the state for cases involving misdemeanor offenses; the costs of jury trials for misdemeanor offenses; the feasibility and desirability of eliminating the sentencing option of imprisonment for Class B misdemeanors; a review of the jury trial process of other states; and the feasibility and desirability of eliminating a jury trial right for civil traffic tickets
3037	Study the statutes throughout the North Dakota Century Code which grant immunity from civil or criminal liability for performing certain functions
3038	Study transportation funding options
3043	Study the filling of vacancies in the Legislative Assembly
3045	Study the feasibility and desirability of requiring private or public employers or both to use the federal E-Verify program for new hires
4010	Study the adequacy of governmental services, including judicial services, to respond to issues relating to an aging population, including veterans, and to study the efficacy of statutes governing public administrator services and methods for the timely and effective delivery of guardianship and public administrator responsibilities and services
4017	Study the feasibility and desirability of allowing school officials, including officials of higher education institutions, access to the otherwise confidential files and records of the juvenile court

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| 4021 | Study the feasibility and desirability of developing a strategic partnership between the state Tourism Division and corresponding tourism departments or alliances of tourism departments of the Indian tribes within North Dakota promoting tourism in North Dakota                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
| 4026 | Study the extent to which North Dakota institutions of higher education are contracting with companies that specialize in managing refund operations, whether such companies are offering online financial and banking services to North Dakota students, and whether the students are being given full, complete, and readily comprehensible information regarding the array of services being offered, the fees being charged, and other options that are available for the control and management of their financial resources |