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- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-60-28 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to the department of commerce report to the legislative management regarding the
- 3 status of the unmanned aircraft systems program.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-60-28 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 7 54-60-28. Unmanned aircraft systems program Report to legislative management.
- 8 The department may establish and administer an unmanned aircraft systems test site,
- 9 contingent upon receiving official designation by the federal aviation administration. The
- department shall cooperate with the university of North Dakota, the North Dakota aeronautics
- 11 commission, the adjutant general, and private parties appointed by the governor in the
- 12 administration of the test site. The department may charge fees sufficient to operate the test
- 13 site. The department shall, to the extent possible, use competitive bidding in the establishment
- 14 and administration of the test site. The commissioner may charter a public corporation to
- 15 operate the test site. The corporation must possess all of the powers of a business corporation
- 16 consistent with this chapter. The department shall report to the legislative management
- 17 semiannually annually on the status of the program.