FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1456

Introduced by

Representatives Brandenburg, Kretschmar, Rohr, Schmidt

Senators Erbele, Schaible

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 54-01-29.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to the encouragement of federal legislation to return lands and mineral rights to the
- 3 state.

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

5 SECTION 1. Section 54-01-29.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted
6 as follows:

7 <u>54-01-29.1. Federal legislation encouraged to return lands and mineral rights to the</u>

8 state of North Dakota.

9 Uplands of the Oahe Reservoir in Emmons and Morton Counties in North Dakota above the

10 elevation of 1,620 feet [493.78 meters] are defined as access excess lands to the operation of

11 the Oahe Dam. The North Dakota legislative assembly encourages Congress to pass federal

12 legislation to return those lands and mineral rights to the state of North Dakota and the North

13 Dakota legislative assembly encourages the governor of North Dakota to work with the North

14 Dakota congressional delegation and Congress to secure enactment of necessary federal

15 legislation.