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2013 LEGISLATION DIRECTLY AFFECTING THE LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT AND THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

This memorandum identifies 2013 legislation that directly affects the responsibilities of the Legislative Management, Legislative Council, or the Legislative Assembly. Some provisions are listed under more than one heading to ensure that each heading contains a comprehensive list of applicable provisions. This memorandum:

- Does not describe discretionary Legislative Management study directives that are contained in concurrent resolutions.
- Does not describe those provisions in bills which require agencies to report to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly regarding one-time funding items, e.g., Section 1 of House Bill No. 1002.
- Does not describe those provisions in bills which require the Governor to submit to the 64th Legislative Assembly proposed appropriations acts in separate appropriations bills, e.g., Section 7 of Senate Bill No. 2007.
- Does not describe those provisions in bills which require agencies to introduce legislation seeking state funding for certain projects, e.g., Section 8 of Senate Bill No. 2007; or for funds to offset federal funding reductions due to federal sequestration, e.g., Section 17 of House Bill No. 1013.

In summary, 2013 legislation:

- Establishes a statutory Education Funding Committee for the 2013-14 interim.
- Establishes a statutory Higher Education Funding Committee for the 2013-14 interim.
- Makes permanent the Tribal and State Relations Committee (by repealing its expiration date).
- Makes permanent the Water-Related Topics Overview Committee and changes its name to the Water Topics Overview Committee.
- Extends the Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration from August 1, 2013, to August 1, 2017.
- Requires 10 interim studies to be conducted;
- Establishes 32 new reporting requirements to the Legislative Management, specific committees of the Legislative Management (other than the Budget Section), or to the Legislative Council;
- Establishes 27 new reporting requirements to the Budget Section, and eliminates two reporting requirements.
- Establishes two new approval authorities by the Legislative Management.

- Establishes eight new approval authorities by the Budget Section, and eliminates one approval authority.
- Establishes nine new reporting requirements to the Legislative Assembly.
- Establishes seven new reporting requirements to the Appropriations Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT

Appointments

House Bill No. 1033, Section 5, requires the Department of Transportation to establish a five-member Airplane Replacement Advisory Committee regarding purchase of replacement airplanes during the 2013-15 biennium, two members of which are members of the Legislative Assembly appointed by the Chairman of the Legislative Management.

House Bill No. 1060, Section 1, amends North Dakota Century Code Section 61-36-01 to revise the membership of the Devils Lake Outlets Management Advisory Committee to include among its 17 members, one member of the House and one member of the Senate--one representing the Devils Lake Basin region and one representing the downstream region--appointed by the Chairman of the Legislative Management.

House Bill No. 1293, Sections 1 through 8, eliminate the July 31, 2013, expiration date of Chapter 15.1-04.1, which contains the Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. Section 15.1-04.1-02 establishes the State Council on Educational Opportunity for Military Children--the members of which include one legislator appointed by the Chairman of the Legislative Management.

House Bill No. 1113, Section 4, repeals Section 54-62-03, which established the Advisory Commission on Faith-Based and Community Initiatives, which included two members of the Legislative Assembly selected by the Legislative Management.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 8, creates Section 15-10-51, effective until July 1, 2015, to establish a nine-member Grant Review Committee to approve projects for which institutions of higher education have applied to the State Board of Higher Education for matching grant funds. The Governor or the Governor's designee is the Chairman. Of the remaining eight members, the Majority Leader of the House is to select two members of the House Appropriations Committee, the Majority Leader of the Senate is to select two members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, the Governor is to appoint two members with the consent of the Legislative Management, and the State Board of Higher

Education is to appoint two members with the consent of the Legislative Management.

House Bill No. 1013, Section 58, requires the Legislative Management to appoint a committee to examine and clarify state-level and local-level responsibility for the equitable and adequate funding of elementary and secondary education in this state. Section 59 appropriates \$100,000 to the Legislative Council for the purpose of contracting with consultants and others necessary to complete the study.

Senate Bill No. 2200, Section 3, requires the Legislative Management to appoint an interim committee to study higher education funding methods. Section 4, appropriates \$150,000 to the Legislative Council for defraying expenses associated with the study of higher education funding.

Approvals

Senate Bill No. 2200, Section 1, creates Section 15-18.1-02 to establish instructional program classification factors, to require the State Board of Higher Education to ensure that all delineations in the section reflect a nationally recognized and standardized instructional program classification system, and to allow the board to adopt changes to the delineations upon receiving the approval of the Legislative Management.

Responsibilities

House Bill No. 1428, Section 1, creates Section 54-03-32 to authorize the Legislative Management to review any executive order issued by the President of the United States which has not been affirmed by a vote of Congress and signed into law, and recommend to the Attorney General and the Governor that the executive order be further reviewed to determine the constitutionality of the order and whether the state should seek an exemption from the order or seek to have the order declared to be an unconstitutional exercise of legislative authority by the President.

Senate Bill No. 2001, Section 4, authorizes the Chairman of the Legislative Management or the Chairman's designee to request transfers of funds between line items of appropriations for the Legislative Management or the Legislative Council and between the line items for the 63rd and 64th Legislative Assemblies.

Senate Bill No. 2001, Section 5, provides Sections 54-16-04 and 54-44.1-11 do not apply to Chapter 1 of the 2011 Session Laws, and the Chairman of the Legislative Management or the Chairman's designee may request transfers of funds between the line items and agencies of the legislative branch within that chapter.

Senate Bill No. 2001, Section 10, creates Section 54-35-25 to require the Legislative Management to establish a policy regarding promotional expenses made on behalf of the Legislative Assembly.

Senate Bill No. 2001, Section 11, declares legislative intent that the Legislative Management

consider implementing during the 64th Legislative Assembly a limited bill analysis report pilot project to provide bill analysis reports similar to analysis reports prepared in other states.

Laws Publication Responsibilities

House Bill No. 1013, Section 40, creates Section 15.1-27-45, which directs the Legislative Council to change the name of the property tax relief sustainability fund to the property tax relief fund in the Century Code and all statutory compilations generated as a result of action by the 63rd Legislative Assembly.

House Bill No. 1201, Section 1, provides the expansion of the medical assistance program to include physician assistants becomes effective when the Director of the Department of Human Services certifies to the Secretary of State and the Legislative Council that the department has completed implementation of the Medicaid management information system.

House Bill No. 1422, Section 10, requires the Department of Human Services to certify to the Legislative Council the date administrative rules containing the requirements of Section 50-11.1-20, relating to staffing requirements of child care centers, take effect and as of that date Section 50-11.1-20 becomes ineffective.

Senate Bill No. 2069, Section 1, provides for the Legislative Council to replace "developmental center at Westwood Park, Grafton" or "developmental center" with "life skills and transition center" throughout the North Dakota Century Code and the North Dakota Administrative Code, whenever any volume or supplement is reprinted.

Senate Bill No. 2107, Section 10, provides that Sections 1 and 9 of the Act, which relate to medical support under child support requirements, become effective when the Department of Human Services certifies to the Legislative Council as to the effective date of rules adopted to implement the sections.

Senate Bill No. 2109, Section 3, provides that the Act, which relates to eligibility determinations for the children's health insurance program, becomes effective upon implementation of the Department of Human Services' new eligibility system or upon completion of system changes required for compliance with the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act. The department is to notify the Legislative Council of the occurrence of either event.

Public Records

House Bill No. 1186, Section 1, creates Section 44-04-18.24 to provide that any record maintained within a legislative bill tracking system administered or operated by a public entity is an exempt record.

Statutory Legislative Committees

Administrative Rules Committee

House Bill No. 1024, Section 1, amends Section 28-32-10 to authorize an administrative agency to

send by e-mail, rather than by mail, the notice and proposed rule to the legislators who sponsored legislation being implemented by the proposed rule. The requirement to mail copies of final rules to sponsoring legislators is eliminated.

House Bill No. 1309, Sections 1, 2, and 3, amend Sections 54-06-32, 54-06-33, and 54-06-34 to eliminate the requirement of the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to indicate the specific individuals, costs, and statements of public purposes for state employees receiving service awards, employer-paid tuition, and professional organization membership and service club dues.

Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations

House Bill No. 1132, Section 1, requires the Legislative Management to assign to the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations a study of the feasibility and desirability of making political subdivision budget information accessible on the state budget database website and finding better ways to inform taxpayers regarding political subdivision budget or levy deliberations and regarding legislative property tax relief.

Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration (Extended)

House Bill No. 1173, Section 1, amends Section 54-35-24 to extend the expiration date of the Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration from August 1, 2013, to August 1, 2017.

Education Funding Committee (New)

House Bill No. 1013, Section 58, requires the Legislative Management to appoint a committee to examine and clarify state-level and local-level responsibility for the equitable and adequate funding of elementary and secondary education in this state. Section 59 appropriates \$100,000 to the Legislative Council for the purpose of contracting with consultants and others necessary to complete the study.

Employee Benefits Programs Committee

Senate Bill No. 2061, Section 5, creates Section 15-39.1-35 to authorize the Retirement Board to adopt appropriate terminology for Teachers' Fund for Retirement provisions to comply with applicable federal statutes or rules, subject to approval of the Employee Benefits Programs Committee, and effective until the Legislative Assembly enacts the necessary statutory amendments.

Higher Education Funding Committee (New)

Senate Bill No. 2200, Section 3, requires the Legislative Management to appoint an interim committee to study higher education funding methods. Section 4, appropriates \$150,000 to the Legislative Council for defraying expenses associated with the study of higher education funding.

Information Technology Committee

House Bill No. 1136, Section 50, provides House Bill No. 1136 becomes effective before August 1, 2015, if the Secretary of State reports to the Information Technology Committee (and to the Legislative Management) certifying that the information technology components of the electronic filing system are ready for implementation.

House Bill No. 1015, Section 42, provides Section 23, which amends Section 41-09-87(2), which was included in House Bill No. 1136, becomes effective before August 1, 2015, if the Secretary of State reports to the Information Technology Committee (and to the Legislative Management) certifying that the information technology components of the electronic filing system are ready for implementation.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 22, requires the State Board of Higher Education to provide annual reports during the 2013-14 interim to the Information Technology Committee and the Budget Section regarding the status of the consolidation of North Dakota University System information technology services, including the location of staff members providing those services.

Senate Bill No. 2021, Section 8, requires OMB to conduct an information technology relocation and consolidation study of information technology equipment operated by the Attorney General and other agencies and report the findings and recommendations to the Information Technology Committee and the Budget Section by March 31, 2014, and submit any proposed legislation to the Information Technology Committee by July 1, 2014.

Senate Bill No. 2021, Section 9, requires the Information Technology Department to conduct a study of all state agencies' information technology desktop support to determine the feasibility and desirability of centralization of desktop support services and to report its findings and recommendations to OMB, the Information Technology Committee, and the Budget Section before January 1, 2014.

Senate Bill No. 2033, Section 1, amends Section 54-35-15.2 to change the definition of a "major information technology project" subject to review by the committee from a total cost of \$250,000 or more to a total cost of \$500,000 or more.

Tribal and State Relations Committee

Senate Bill No. 2047, Section 1, amends Section 54-35-23 to eliminate the July 31, 2013, expiration date of the Tribal and State Relations Committee.

Water Topics Overview Committee

House Bill No. 1020, Section 17, amends Section 54-35-02.7 to require the committee to prepare a schedule of priorities with respect to water projects rather than work collaboratively with the State Water Commission to prioritize water projects. The State Water Commission and the State Engineer are to

assist the committee in developing the schedule of priorities. The committee also is to study policies regarding the development and financing of municipal projects, including water treatment plants, pipelines, and technology.

Senate Bill No. 2049, Section 1, amends Section 54-35-02.7 to rename the Water-Related Topics Overview Committee as the Water Topics Overview Committee, eliminate the 13-member restriction, make it a permanent statutory committee, and make it responsible for legislative overview of the Garrison Diversion Project.

Senate Bill No. 2233, Section 3, amends Section 54-35-02.7 to remove the expiration date of the committee, make the committee responsible for legislative overview of the Garrison Diversion Project, and require the committee to work collaboratively with the State Water Commission to develop policies to further define the state role in major flood control projects and in the prioritization of water projects.

Senate Bill No. 2233, Section 3, amends Section 54-35-02.7 to require the committee during the 2013-14 interim to review water supply routes and alternatives for the Red River Valley Water Supply Project.

Senate Bill No. 2233, Section 26, requires the independent water providers and the Western Area Water Supply Authority to report to the committee on a regular basis and collaborate with the committee and the State Water Commission to monitor water usage, rates, and market share. The committee is to report to the Legislative Management its recommendations to assure the state's ability to maintain its payment schedule.

Workers' Compensation Review Committee

House Bill No. 1051, Section 1, requires the Workers' Compensation Review Committee to study the Workforce Safety and Insurance preferred provider program created under Sections 65-05-28.1 and 65-05-28.2, and the study may be included as one of the four elements to be evaluated in the Workforce Safety and Insurance independent performance evaluation conducted under Section 65-02-30.

Mandatory Studies

House Bill No. 1013, Section 58, requires the Legislative Management to appoint an Education Funding Committee to examine and clarify state-level and local-level responsibility for the equitable and adequate funding of elementary and secondary education in this state.

House Bill No. 1026, Section 7, requires the Legislative Management to continue its study of 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.

House Bill No. 1034, Section 1, requires the Legislative Management to study health care reform

options, including the implementation of the federal Affordable Care Act if the federal law remains in effect and state alternatives for state-based health care reform if the federal law is repealed.

House Bill No. 1051, Section 1, requires the Legislative Management's Workers' Compensation Review Committee to study the Workforce Safety and Insurance preferred provider program created under Sections 65-05-28.1 and 65-05-28.2, and the study may be included as one of the elements to be evaluated in the Workforce Safety and Insurance independent performance evaluation conducted under Section 65-02-30.

House Bill No. 1132, Section 1, requires the Legislative Management to assign to the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations a study of the feasibility and desirability of making political subdivision budget information accessible on the state budget database website and finding better ways to inform taxpayers regarding political subdivision budget or levy deliberations and regarding legislative property tax relief.

House Bill No. 1198, Section 8, requires the Legislative Management to study the likely changes to oil industry practices, production, impacts, and tax policy in the foreseeable future with the Legislative Management and to obtain the services of an independent consultant to assist with this study.

House Bill No. 1206, Section 2, requires the Legislative Management to study and evaluate current water project prioritization processes for effectiveness in determining high-priority water projects for State Water Commission funding.

Senate Bill No. 2124, Section 1, requires the Legislative Management to study methods to assure that the legacy fund provides the lasting benefits intended by the voters in enacting the constitutional measure.

Senate Bill No. 2200, Section 3, requires the Legislative Management to appoint a Higher Education Funding Committee to study higher education funding methods and recommend for the University System a new funding method that is not based on existing levels of funding.

Senate Bill No. 2314, Section 2, requires the Legislative Management to study methods to assure that an accurate and reliable means is developed to measure effectiveness and accountability of property tax exemptions and other economic development incentives granted by cities and counties and to determine whether other taxpayers in the city or county ultimately derive a measurable benefit from granting of the incentives.

Reports to the Legislative Management

House Bill No. 1001, Section 4, requires the Governor to report annually to the Legislative Management regarding the status of gender balance on appointive boards, commissions, committees, and councils and within the Governor's appointive cabinet for the 2013-15 biennium.

House Bill No. 1013, Section 61, requires the recipient of the grant during the 2014-15 school year to implement a certificate program that prepares individuals with autism spectrum disorder for employment in the technology section to provide a report to the Legislative Management regarding program graduates who found employment in the technology sector, their starting salaries, and their total compensation.

House Bill No. 1038, Section 2, creates Section 23-01-42, which expires June 30, 2015, to require the Department of Human Services to report to the Legislative Management regarding the autism spectrum disorder program pilot project.

House Bill No. 1103, Section 15, requires the State Board of Higher Education to provide periodic reports to the Legislative Management during the 2013-14 interim which provide status updates on the progress of the board in implementing and administering Chapter 15-18.1, regarding authorizations to operate postsecondary educational institutions.

House Bill No. 1136, Section 50, provides House Bill No. 1136 becomes effective before August 1, 2015, if the Secretary of State reports to the Legislative Management (and to the Information Technology Committee) certifying that the information technology components of the electronic filing system are ready for implementation.

House Bill No. 1015, Section 42, provides Section 23, which amends Section 41-09-87(2), which was included in House Bill No. 1136, becomes effective before August 1, 2015, if the Secretary of State reports to the Legislative Management (and to the Information Technology Committee) certifying that the information technology components of the electronic filing system are ready for implementation.

House Bill No. 1338, Section 1, requires the Board of University and School Lands to report to the Legislative Management before October 1, 2014, on the outcome of the board's study of options to address concerns of landowners adjacent to land under the control of the United States Army Corps of Engineers surrounding Lake Sakakawea and Lake Oahe.

House Bill No. 1422, Section 8, requires the Department of Human Services to report to the Legislative Management the impact of changing the eligibility requirement for the child care assistance program from 50 percent of the state median income to 85 percent and beginning July 1, 2014, reducing copay requirements for the child care assistance program.

House Bill No. 1443, Section 1, requires the Department of Human Services, State Department of Health, Indian Affairs Commission, and Public Employees Retirement System to collaborate to identify goals and benchmarks while also developing individual agency plans to reduce the incidence of diabetes in the state, improve diabetes care, and control complications associated with diabetes and

report to the Legislative Management before June 1 of each even-numbered year.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 21, requires the State Board of Higher Education to report to the Legislative Management during the 2013-14 interim regarding the distribution of funds from the performance funding pool.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 38, requires the State Board of Higher Education to report to the Legislative Management before October 1, 2014, regarding the number of matching grants that were sought, the number that were awarded, and the manner in which the grants were used as provided under Sections 5 through 10 of Senate Bill No. 2003 for the advancement of academics.

Senate Bill No. 2014, Section 16, requires the Department of Commerce to report to the Legislative Management before September 1, 2014, on the findings and recommendations of the department's study to evaluate value-added market opportunities related to renewable energy resources and oil and gas.

Senate Bill No. 2015, Section 4, requires OMB to present to the Legislative Management by July 1, 2014, the office's plan to move the Missouri River Correctional Center to a site adjacent to the Youth Correctional Center.

Senate Bill No. 2018, Section 13, creates Section 54-60-28 to authorize the Department of Commerce to establish and administer an unmanned aircraft systems test site in cooperation with the University of North Dakota (UND), the Aeronautics Commission, Adjutant General, and private parties appointed by the Governor and report semiannually to the Legislative Management on the status of the program.

Senate Bill No. 2018, Section 36, requires the North Dakota Economic Development Foundation to report to the Legislative Management before September 1, 2014, regarding progress made toward recommendations provided as part of the 2020 and Beyond Initiative and any recommendations for future legislation.

Senate Bill No. 2020, Section 13, requires the State Water Commission to conduct a study of the Mouse River and its tributaries during the 2013-14 interim and report its findings to the Legislative Management.

Senate Bill No. 2030, Section 12, requires the State Department of Health to report to the Legislative Management semiannually during the 2013-14 interim on the status of the tribal public health unit pilot project.

Senate Bill No. 2036, Section 7, requires the Tax Commissioner to report to the Legislative Management before January 1, 2014, on the development of rules for detailed and efficient administration of Section 57-01-05 regarding supervision of assessment officials.

Senate Bill No. 2160, Section 1, requires the University System to study the out-of-state programs in veterinary medicine, optometry, and dentistry, the

access of North Dakota students to those programs, and the state's needs for dentists, optometrists, and veterinarians and report its findings to the Legislative Management before November 15, 2013.

Senate Bill No. 2210, Section 1, requires the Adjutant General to present to the Legislative Management the projected costs for writing, publishing, and distributing a record of all North Dakota veterans, including those killed in action and missing in action, since statehood.

Senate Bill No. 2211, Section 5, requires representatives of agricultural production groups to compile information regarding the effects of Senate Bill No. 2211 relating to treatment of animals and on the various sectors of the agricultural industry and to present the compiled information to the Legislative Management before July 1, 2014, for review, together with any suggestions for potential statutory changes.

Senate Bill No. 2229, Section 2, requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to study the development, delivery, and administration of comprehensive early childhood care and early childhood education in this state and provide a final report, with recommendations to the Legislative Management before June 1, 2014.

Senate Bill No. 2271, Section 2, amends Section 50-06.1-16 to require the Committee on Employment of People with Disabilities to submit to the Governor and the Legislative Management an annual report detailing the committee's activities, goals, and progress in reaching these goals, and strategies and policies that can help the committee to realize its goals.

Senate Bill No. 2339, Section 2, requires the Housing Finance Agency to inventory government programs providing residential and commercial development assistance and identify program overlap and gaps and present this inventory to the Legislative Management during the 2013-14 interim.

Senate Bill No. 2344, Section 2, requires the Department of Veterans' Affairs to report to the Legislative Management during the 2013-14 interim regarding the status of the service dog training program, including benefits to veterans, number of applicants, and number of service dogs provided.

Senate Bill No. 2361, Section 2, requires the Bank of North Dakota to provide to the Legislative Management at the biennial meeting during which interim committee reports are presented a written report regarding the implementation of the student loan consolidation program.

Reports to the Legislative Council

House Bill No. 1026, Section 1, creates Section 4.1-72-08 to require the North Dakota Stockmen's Association to provide for an audit at least once every two years and to submit an electronic copy of the audit report to the Legislative Council.

Budget Section

Reports to the Budget Section

House Bill No. 1002, Section 7, requires the Secretary of State to report to the Budget Section semiannually during the 2013-14 interim regarding credit card usage rates and credit card fees paid by the Secretary of State.

House Bill No. 1012, Section 3, requires the Department of Human Services to report to the Budget Section after June 30, 2014, any transfers of appropriation authority in excess of \$50,000 between line items within subdivisions and between subdivisions for the 2013-15 biennium.

House Bill No. 1012, Section 17, requires the Department of Human Services to report to the Budget Section in December 2014 on the status of the eight-unit transitional living facility in the Southeast Human Service Center region.

House Bill No. 1016, Section 4, requires the Housing Finance Agency to report to the Budget Section during the 2013-14 interim regarding the use of funds for grants for flood-impacted housing assistance.

House Bill No. 1018, Section 6, requires the State Historical Society to report to the Budget Section by July 1, 2013, regarding the use of funds in the project pool line item.

House Bill No. 1020, Section 14, requires the State Water Commission to report to the Budget Section every six months during the 2013-14 interim regarding any changes made to the commission's priority projects list presented to the 63rd Legislative Assembly for the 2013-14 biennium.

House Bill No. 1029, Section 2, amends Section 54-17-40, effective through June 30, 2015, to require the Housing Finance Agency to report quarterly to the Budget Section on the progress being made to reduce the overall number of housing units owned, master leased, or subsidized by cities, counties, school districts, or other employers of essential service workers.

House Bill No. 1081, Section 1, amends Section 65-04-03.1(5) to eliminate the periodic reports to the Budget Section regarding the success of a single workers' compensation account for state entities covered by Chapter 32-12.2.

House Bill No. 1113, Section 4, repeals Section 17-02-01, which required a statement to the Budget Section 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.

House Bill No. 1145, Section 1, amends Section 18-04-02 to require the State Fire Marshal to present a biennial report to the Budget Section summarizing the expenditures by certified fire departments and districts of funds received from the insurance tax distribution fund and reserve fund balances.

House Bill No. 1198, Section 7, amends Section 57-51.2-02, to require the state-tribal oil tax agreement to require that the Three Affiliated Tribes report annually to the Budget Section regarding investment of oil and gas tax receipts in essential infrastructure and fees, expenses, and charges the tribe imposes on the oil industry.

House Bill No. 1200, Section 1, amends Section 15-10-12.1 to extend the period within which the State Board of Higher Education cannot authorize construction of any building, or campus improvements and building maintenance of more than \$385,000, financed by donations, with the approval of the Budget Section, from the six months preceding a regular session to include the three months following the close of a regular session.

House Bill No. 1278, Section 1, creates Section 54-17.8-07 to require the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage Advisory Board to provide a biennial report to the Budget Section.

House Bill No. 1333, Section 4, amends Section 38-08-04.5 to require the Industrial Commission to report to the Budget Section each biennium on the balance of the abandoned oil and gas well plugging and site reclamation fund and expenditures from the fund.

House Bill No. 1358, Section 8, requires the Department of Commerce to report annually to the Budget Section, and to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly, on the use of one-time funding during the 2013-15 biennium for the grant program for nursing homes, basic care facilities, and providers that serve individuals with developmental disabilities located in oil-producing counties.

House Bill No. 1358, Section 10, requires the Department of Human Services to report annually to the Budget Section, and to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly, on the use of one-time funding during the 2013-15 biennium for the grant program for critical access hospitals in oil-producing counties.

House Bill No. 1358, Section 11, requires the Attorney General to report annually to the Budget Section, and to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly, on the use of one-time funding during the 2013-15 biennium for grants to law enforcement agencies in oil-impacted counties where crime-related activities have increased or in other counties experiencing crime-related activities originating in oil-impacted counties, for crime-related needs of the Attorney General's office, and for the development of a uniform law enforcement and custody manual.

House Bill No. 1358, Section 12, requires a representative of a hub city to report annually to the Budget Section on the use of funding received from allocations from the oil and gas gross production tax under Section 57-51-15.

House Bill No. 1405, Section 2, requires the Department of Veterans' Affairs to report to the

Budget Section during the 2013-14 interim regarding any funds received to provide services to veterans exposed to Agent Orange, the grants provided, and the outcomes of the services provided.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 22, requires the State Board of Higher Education to provide annual reports during the 2013-14 interim to the Budget Section and the Information Technology Committee regarding the status of the consolidation of University System information technology services, including the location of staff members providing those services.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 23, requires the State Board of Higher Education to report to the Budget Section if the Research Enterprise and Commercialization building is purchased before July 1, 2015.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 24, requires the State Board of Higher Education to provide periodic reports during the 2013-14 interim to the Budget Section regarding funds distributed from the capital projects contingency pool.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 31, requires North Dakota State University (NDSU) to report to the Budget Section regarding the status of the Minard Hall project and authorizes NDSU to request increased spending authorization from the Budget Section for the project.

Senate Bill No. 2015, Section 4, requires OMB to report to the Budget Section during the 2013-14 interim regarding options for the possible relocation of the Missouri River Correctional Center to a site adjacent to the Youth Correctional Center.

Senate Bill No. 2015, Section 6, requires the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to report annually to the Budget Section on the department's prison population management plan and inmate admissions and the number of inmates the department has not admitted after sentencing.

Senate Bill No. 2018, Section 37, requires the Department of Commerce to report to the Budget Section before June 1, 2014, on the Experimental Program to Stimulate Competitive Research and Research North Dakota, including the Research North Dakota venture investment program.

Senate Bill No. 2019, Section 3, requires the Department of Career and Technical Education to report to the Budget Section during the 2013-14 interim regarding performance measures of the science, technology, engineering, and mathematics program.

Senate Bill No. 2021, Section 8, requires OMB to conduct an information technology relocation and consolidation study of information technology equipment operated by the Attorney General and other agencies and report the findings and recommendations to the Budget Section and the Information Technology Committee by March 31, 2014, and submit any proposed legislation to the Information Technology Committee by July 1, 2014.

Senate Bill No. 2021, Section 9, requires the Information Technology Department to conduct a

study of all state agencies' information technology desktop support to determine the feasibility and desirability of centralization of desktop support services and to report its findings and recommendations to OMB, the Budget Section, and the Information Technology Committee before January 1, 2014.

Senate Bill No. 2021, Section 9, requires OMB to report to the Budget Section regarding the findings, recommendations, and any legislation required to implement the recommendations of the Information Technology Department's desktop support study.

Budget Section Approval Requirements

House Bill No. 1015, Section 13, authorizes OMB to adjust the market policy point for the classified state employee compensation program based on an estimated inflationary factor during the 2013-15 biennium subject to Budget Section approval.

House Bill No. 1033, Section 1, requires a state agency or entity of state government, other than the Adjutant General or the UND School of Aviation, to receive Budget Section approval before purchasing or leasing aircraft if the Legislative Assembly is not in session.

House Bill No. 1033, Section 5, appropriate \$4.5 million to the Department of Transportation to purchase replacement airplanes for the department's fleet subject to Budget Section approval before expending more than \$4 million.

House Bill No. 1200, Section 1, amends Section 15-10-12.1 to extend the period within which the State Board of Higher Education cannot authorize construction of any building, or campus improvements and building maintenance of more than \$385,000, financed by donations, with the approval of the Budget Section, from the six months preceding a regular session to include the three months following the close of a regular session.

House Bill No. 1200, Section 2, amends Section 48-01.2-25 to authorize the Budget Section to approve a change or expansion or any additional expenditure for a project unless otherwise restricted by previous legislative action, but if within six months before or three months after a regular session, the authorization is limited to changes in project scope and related expenditures resulting from an unforeseen emergency event.

House Bill No. 1281, Section 1, creates Section 15-10-54, effective through June 30, 2015, to require the State Board of Higher Education to receive approval from the Budget Section before imposing an assessment on or otherwise requiring individual institutions of higher education to pay for goods or services provided by or through the University System office.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 31, requires NDSU to report to the Budget Section regarding the status of the Minard Hall project and authorizes NDSU to request increased spending authorization from the Budget Section for the project.

Senate Bill No. 2012, Section 8, requires the Department of Transportation to provide its recommendation for the new license plate design to the Budget Section for approval.

Senate Bill No. 2233, Section 22, amends Section 61-40-09 to remove the requirement for Budget Section approval of the State Water Commission plan to return governance of the Western Area Water Supply Authority to the authority after assumption of the governance of the authority by the commission.

Senate Bill No. 2352, Section 1, authorizes conveyance of North Central Research Extension Center and Williston Research Extension Center property upon Budget Section approval.

Budget Section Block Grant Hearings

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4001 authorizes the Budget Section to hold the required legislative hearings on state plans for the receipt and expenditure of new or revised block grants passed by Congress.

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY

Appointments

House Concurrent Resolution No. 3047 proposes a constitutional amendment to replace the State Board of Higher Education with a three-member Commission of Higher Education, appointed by the Governor with the approval of a majority of five individuals--the Speaker of the House, the President Pro Tempore of the Senate, the Chief Justice of the Supreme Court, the Superintendent of Public Instruction, and a representative of an educational interest group selected by three of the four mentioned individuals.

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4004 designates Senate and House employment positions and fixes compensation for those positions.

Members

Senate Bill No. 2001, Sections 6 through 9, amends Sections 54-03-20 and 54-35-10 to increase the per diem during legislative sessions and for interim meetings to \$162 and the monthly compensation to \$453, effective July 1, 2013, and to \$167 and \$467, respectively, effective July 1, 2014; amends Section 54-03-10 to increase the additional compensation received by the legislative leaders to \$325 per month, effective July 1, 2013, and to \$335 per month, effective July 1, 2014; and amends Section 54-03-20 to provide that the maximum monthly reimbursement for lodging during a legislative session is equal to 30 times 70 percent of the daily lodging reimbursement in effect under Section 44-08-04(2).

House Memorial Resolution No. 7001 memorializes deceased former members of the House.

Senate Memorial Resolution No. 8001 memorializes deceased former members of the Senate.

Powers or Duties

House Bill No. 1015, Section 36, declares legislative intent that the parking lot improvements on the Capitol grounds during the 2013-15 biennium not reduce the number of parking spaces or the size of the legislative parking lot west of the Capitol.

House Bill No. 1033, Section 1, requires a state agency or entity of state government, other than the Adjutant General or the UND School of Aviation, to receive specific approval of the Legislative Assembly before purchasing or leasing aircraft while the Legislative Assembly is not in session.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 19, amends Section 54-44.1-11 to extend the expiration date to July 31, 2015, with respect to the exception to the cancellation of unexpended appropriations for the University System upon obtaining approval of the Appropriations Committees Chairmen and the Office of the Budget.

Reports to Legislative Assembly

House Bill No. 1013, Section 16, requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop a format for reporting on the cost per participant and the outcomes of other grants and report to the 64th Legislative Assembly regarding participation, cost, and outcomes of these grants.

House Bill No. 1021, Section 2, requires Workforce Safety and Insurance to report to the 64th Legislative Assembly any money received resulting from a settlement or court awards relating to the unsuccessful Advanced Information Management computer system project.

House Bill No. 1136, Section 49, requires the Secretary of State to report to the 64th Legislative Assembly regarding the change in filing fees provided under House Bill No. 1136, including a comparison of the revenue collected under the new fee system versus the revenues collected under the previous fee system.

House Bill No. 1293, Section 1, amends Section 15.1-04.1-01, to eliminate the July 31, 2013, expiration date of the Compact on Educational Opportunity for Military Children. Article X of the compact authorizes the Interstate Commission on Educational Opportunity for Military Children to report annually to the Legislative Assembly concerning the activities of the commission during the preceding year.

House Bill No. 1378, Section 1, requires the Department of Human Services to study the estimated cost to implement a Medicaid waiver to provide coverage for children who have attained the age of three and have continued and substantial medical and support needs but no longer qualify for services and report its findings to the 64th Legislative Assembly.

Senate Bill No. 2020, Section 5, requires the Williston Research Extension Center to report to the 64th Legislative Assembly on the amounts received during the biennium from mineral royalties, leases, or easements.

Senate Bill No. 2187, Section 4, requires the Bank of North Dakota to report to the 64th and

65th Legislative Assemblies on the status of the medical facility infrastructure loan program.

Senate Bill No. 2233, Section 5, declares legislative intent that the State Water Commission and the Southwest Water Authority report to the Legislative Assembly those steps necessary for the transfer of ownership and responsibility of the Southwest Pipeline Project from the commission to the authority.

Senate Bill No. 2233, Section 8, requires the State Water Commission and the Southwest Water Authority report to the Legislative Assembly those steps necessary for the transfer of ownership and responsibility of the Southwest Pipeline Project from the commission to the authority.

Reports to Appropriations Committees

House Bill No. 1009, Section 7, requires the Agriculture Commissioner to report to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly regarding the activities of the North Dakota Mediation Service.

House Bill No. 1012, Section 3, requires the Department of Human Services to report to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly any transfers of appropriation authority between line items within subdivisions and between subdivisions for the 2013-15 biennium.

House Bill No. 1228, Section 1, creates Section 15-20.1-16.2, which authorizes the Department of Career and Technical Education to accept gifts, grants, and donations for the purpose of providing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics advancement grants, and requires the department to report to the Appropriations Committees of each Legislative Assembly on funds received and the use of the funds.

Senate Bill No. 2003, Section 22, requires the State Board of Higher Education to report to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly regarding the consolidation of University System information technology services and a comprehensive report of the budget for all University System information technology services, including services provided by institutions.

Senate Bill No. 2005, Section 2, requires the Indian Affairs Commission to report to the Appropriations Committees of the 64th Legislative Assembly regarding the activities of the Native American Health System Program Administrator.

Senate Bill No. 2020, Section 12, amends Section 4-05.1-19 to require the State Board of Agricultural Research and Extension to forward its prioritized needs list and biennial budget request without modification to OMB and the Appropriations Committees of the Legislative Assembly.

Senate Bill No. 2026, Section 1, creates Section 4.1-52-11, which requires the Seed Commissioner to provide a report to the House and Senate Appropriations Committees containing a summary of the State Seed Department's activities during the

current biennium and a statement of revenues and expenditures for the ensuing biennium. (Section 5 repeals Section 4.1-53-62, which formerly required this report.)