

Sixty-second
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Tribal and State Relations Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-35-23 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to extension and duties of the committee on tribal and state relations.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-35-23 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **54-35-23. (~~Effective through July 31, 2014~~) Committee on tribal and state relations**
7 **- Membership - Duties.**

8 1. The committee on tribal and state relations is composed of seven members as
9 follows:

10 a. ~~The~~ A chairman designated by the chairman of the legislative management ~~or~~
11 ~~the chairman's designee;~~

12 b. Three members of the house of representatives, two of whom must be
13 selected by the leader representing the majority faction of the house of
14 representatives and one of whom must be selected by the leader representing
15 the minority faction of the house of representatives; and

16 c. Three members of the senate, two of whom must be selected by the leader
17 representing the majority faction of the senate and one of whom must be
18 selected by the leader representing the minority faction of the senate.

19 ~~2. The chairman of the legislative management, or the chairman's designee, shall~~
20 ~~serve as chairman of the committee.~~

21 ~~3.~~ 3. The committee shall meet at such times and places as determined by the
22 chairman. The legislative council shall provide staffing for the committee.

23 ~~4.~~ 3. The committee shall conduct joint meetings with the ~~native American~~ North Dakota
24 ~~tribal citizens'~~ governments' task force to study tribal-state issues, including

1 government-to-government relations, ~~the delivery of human~~ services, ease
2 ~~management services, child support enforcement~~ education, corrections, and
3 issues related to the promotion of economic development. The committee also
4 shall work to educate all citizens of this state, native as well as nonnative, on
5 Indian issues and tribal sovereignty. During the 2011-12 interim, the committee
6 also shall study whether the members of the North Dakota tribal governments' task
7 force should be voting members of the committee. After the joint meetings have
8 concluded, the committee shall meet to prepare a report on its findings and
9 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement those
10 recommendations, to the legislative management.

11 ~~5.~~ 4. The members of the committee are entitled to compensation from the legislative
12 council for attendance at committee meetings at the rate provided for members of
13 the legislative assembly for attendance at interim committee meetings and are
14 entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred in attending the meetings in the
15 amounts provided by law for other state officers.

16 ~~6.-a.~~ 5. The ~~native American~~ North Dakota tribal citizens' governments' task force is
17 composed of six members as follows:

- 18 ~~(1)~~ a. The executive director of the Indian affairs commission, or the executive
19 director's designee;
- 20 ~~(2)~~ b. The chairman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, or the chairman's designee;
- 21 ~~(3)~~ c. The chairman of the Spirit Lake Tribe, or the chairman's designee;
- 22 ~~(4)~~ d. The chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation,
23 or the chairman's designee;
- 24 ~~(5)~~ e. The chairman of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, or the
25 chairman's designee; and
- 26 ~~(6)~~ f. The chairman of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse
27 Reservation, or the chairman's designee.

28 ~~b-~~ ~~If the executive director of the Indian affairs commission or any of the tribal~~
29 ~~chairmen appoint a designee to serve on the task force, only one individual~~
30 ~~may serve as that designee during the biennium. A substitute designee may~~
31 ~~be appointed by the executive director of the Indian affairs commission or a~~

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- 1 ~~tribal chairman in the event of the death, incapacity, resignation, or refusal to~~
- 2 ~~serve of the initial designee.~~