

Sixty-fourth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2372

Introduced by

Senators Unruh, Oban

Representatives Boe, Delzer, Porter, Seibel

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study of environmental protection
2 agency regulations regarding carbon dioxide emissions for new and existing electric generation
3 units.

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

5 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION**

6 **AGENCY REGULATIONS ON CARBON DIOXIDE EMISSIONS.** During the 2015-16 interim,
7 the legislative management shall consider studying the impacts and costs of environmental
8 protection agency regulations on carbon dioxide emissions for new and existing electric
9 generation units. The study must include the regulations' estimated compliance costs on the
10 industry, estimated impacts on regional grid reliability, estimated economic impact to ratepayers
11 in this state, and the feasibility of implementing the regulations, including the proposed timeline.
12 The study must also include an update on the status of technologies related to reduction of
13 carbon dioxide emissions. The legislative management may consult with the lignite energy
14 council, state department of health, public service commission, attorney general, and other
15 state and federal agencies as needed. The legislative management shall report its findings and
16 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
17 the sixty-fifth legislative assembly.