

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1262**

Introduced by

Representative M. Nelson

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a study of the regulation of workforce safety and insurance and  
2 a report to the legislative management.

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

4 **SECTION 1. REGULATION OF WORKFORCE SAFETY AND INSURANCE - STUDY -**  
5 **REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT.**

- 6 1. During the 2017-18 interim, the insurance commissioner and the director of workforce  
7 safety and insurance shall study, evaluate, and develop a plan for transferring the  
8 regulation of the operation of workforce safety and insurance to the insurance  
9 department. The insurance commissioner and the director of workforce safety and  
10 insurance may contract with a third party to perform the evaluation and assist in the  
11 development of an implementation plan.
- 12 2. The plan and evaluation must include a cost-benefit analysis of the insurance  
13 commissioner regulating workforce safety and insurance, and must address the  
14 feasibility and desirability of treating workforce safety and insurance as an insurance  
15 company under the supervision and regulation of the insurance commissioner and the  
16 appropriate level of jurisdiction of the insurance commissioner with respect to  
17 oversight and appeals of workers' compensation claims and benefits.
- 18 3. Before June 1, 2018, the insurance commissioner and the director of workforce safety  
19 and insurance shall present the findings, proposed plan, and any legislative changes  
20 necessary to implement that plan to an interim committee designated by the legislative  
21 management.