Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2287

Introduced by

Senators Wardner, Anderson, Bell

Representatives Delzer, Kreidt, Nehring

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide for an insurance commissioner study of lignite coal industry
- 2 insurance; and to provide for a report to the legislative management.

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

- 4 SECTION 1. STUDY OF LIGNITE COAL INDUSTRY INSURANCE REPORT TO THE
- 5 **LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT.** During the 2021-22 interim, the insurance commissioner, in
- 6 consultation with the North Dakota insurance reserve fund, shall study the availability, cost, and
- 7 risks associated with insurance coverage in the lignite coal industry. The study must include
- 8 consideration of whether the current insurance market adequately or appropriately calculates
- 9 the risk factors specifically connected to the coal industry and whether there is a need for a
- 10 state-based insurance product that insures against current risk factors at an appropriate cost.
- 11 The insurance commissioner shall report its findings to the legislative management and
- 12 implement any necessary recommendations by June 1, 2022.