

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO JOINT RULE 208

1 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Joint Rule 208 is amended as follows:

2 **208. INTRODUCTION OF EXECUTIVE AGENCY AND SUPREME COURT BILLS.**

3 Each executive agency and the Supreme Court shall file with the Legislative Council those bills
4 they wish to have introduced no later than the close of business on the day after the
5 adjournment of the organizational session. Each bill is deemed introduced by the standing
6 committee of the House or Senate with general jurisdiction over the subject matter of the bill;
7 but if the filing entity receives the approval of a legislator to sponsor the bill, that bill is to be
8 introduced by the legislator rather than by the standing committee. A bill sponsored by a
9 legislator may not have more sponsors than the number allowed under Senate and House
10 Rules 401. The director of the budget shall file with the Legislative Council those bills making
11 appropriations to implement the budget recommended by the Governor no later than the close
12 of business on the seventh day after the adjournment of the organizational session, as required
13 by North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-07, and those bills are deemed introduced by
14 the Appropriations Committee of the Senate or House at the request of the Governor. The bill
15 implementing the budget request of the judicial branch is deemed introduced by the
16 Appropriations Committee of the Senate or House at the request of the Supreme Court, and the
17 bill implementing the budget request of the legislative branch is deemed introduced by the
18 Appropriations Committee of the Senate or House at the request of the Legislative Council.
19 The Legislative Council shall number and deliver bills filed under this rule to the appropriate
20 house for recording. Each bill introduced under this rule must be identified by noting the name
21 of the agency or the court under the name of the sponsoring committee or legislator. The
22 identification of a bill introduced by a standing committee may include the names of not more
23 than five entities authorized to file bills under this rule.

NOTE: The proposed amendment reflects the timeframe for requiring the filing of bills implementing the Governor's budget under North Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-07, as amended in 2003. That section provides, in part:

The drafts of acts required by subsection 7 of section 54-44.1-06 must be submitted to the legislative council within seven days after the day of adjournment of the organizational session.