

**Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the  
Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Monday, the sixth day of January,  
one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1040  
(Legislative Council)  
(Budget Committee on Home and Community Care)  
(Representatives Price, Boucher, Grumbo)  
(Senators Thane, Sand, Lindaas)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 50-24.4-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to operating cost limits for nursing homes; and to provide an expiration date.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 5 of section 50-24.4-10 of the 1995 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5. The department shall establish a composite index or indices ~~by determining the appropriate economic change indicators~~ based on the average of the increase in the Data Resources, Incorporated, nursing home input price index and the increase in the consumer price index for all urban wage earners and clerical workers (all items, United States city average) to be applied to specific operating cost categories or combination of operating cost categories.

**SECTION 2. EXPIRATION DATE.** This Act is effective through June 30, 1999, and after that date is ineffective.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1040.

House Vote:      Yeas    86      Nays    7      Absent    4

Senate Vote:    Yeas    47      Nays    0      Absent    2

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 1997.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 1997.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1997,  
at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State