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. 1421 (Representatives Freier, Carlson, Timm) (Senator Krebsbach)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 48-02-06.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to bonds required of contractors for certain public improvement contracts; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 48-02-06.2 of the 1995 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

48-02-06.2. Bonds from contractors for public improvements. A governing body, as defined in section 48-01.1-01, authorized to enter into a contract for construction of a public improvement in excess of one hundred thousand dollars shall take from the contractor a bond before permitting any work to be done on that contract. The bond must be for an amount equal at least to the price stated in the contract. The bond must be conditioned to be void if the contractor and all subcontractors fully perform all terms, conditions, and provisions of the contract and pay all bills or claims on account of labor and materials including supplies used for machinery and equipment, performed, furnished, and used in the performance of the contract, including all demands of subcontractors. The requirement that bills and claims be paid must include the requirement that interest of the amount authorized under section 13-01-14 be paid on bills and claims not paid within ninety days. The bond is security for all bills, claims, and demands until fully paid, with preference to labor and material suppliers as to payment. The bond must run to the governing body, but any person having a lawful claim against the contractor, or any subcontractor, as provided in this chapter, may sue on the bond.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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Assembly	of North D	akota and is	known on the r	ecords	of Representatives of of that body as Hou statives voted in favo	ise Bill No. 142	
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This certif	fies that two	-thirds of the	members-elect	of the S	enate voted in favor	of said law.	
Vote:	Yeas	49	Nays	0	Absent	0	
	President of the Senate			Secretary of the Senate			
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