Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1400

Introduced by

Representatives Oban, Thorpe, Glassheim

Senators DeMers, Mathern, Heitkamp

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 34-06 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the state minimum wage rate.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 34-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is 5 created and enacted as follows:

6 Relation of state minimum wage rate to consumer price index.

7 1. Notwithstanding section 34-06-03, the state minimum wage rate set by the 8 commissioner as of October 1, 1996, must remain in effect until September 1, 9 1997, at which time the state minimum wage rate is five dollars and fifteen cents 10 per hour. By May 1, 1998, and every twenty-four months thereafter, the 11 commissioner shall review the state minimum wage rate to determine whether the 12 rate reflects inflationary changes based upon the most recent annual average of 13 the consumer price index for all urban consumers, United States city average. 14 2. If the review indicates the minimum wage rate is not at least equal to the 15 inflationary adjusted rate, the provisions of this chapter pertaining to the procedure 16 to set the minimum wage rate do not apply and the commissioner shall adopt an 17 order setting the state minimum wage at the inflationary adjusted rate.