## FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2057

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Senator Lips

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the provision of paid leave for disaster services volunteers.

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

- SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- Disaster services volunteers Leave. Upon issuance of an order or proclamation declaring a state of disaster or emergency pursuant to chapter 37-17.1, or a declaration of at least a level II disaster by the American red cross in this or any other state, the executive officer in charge of a state agency may grant a leave of absence to any full-time employee of that agency who is certified by the American red cross as a disaster services volunteer. The leave of absence must be for the purpose of allowing that employee, upon request by the American red cross, to participate in disaster relief services. A person on leave under this section is not deemed to be an employee of the state for the purposes of workers' compensation. The cumulative leave granted under this section may not exceed five working days during any
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- 15 calendar year. The leave may not result in a loss of compensation, seniority, annual leave, sick
- 16 leave, or accrued overtime for which the employee is otherwise eligible.