

HOUSE BILL NO. 1419

Introduced by

Representatives Berg, Dosch, Ruby, Severson

Senators Cook, Klein

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for the insurance commissioner to perform a workers'
2 compensation insurance study; and to provide for an appropriation.

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

4 **SECTION 1. INSURANCE COMMISSIONER STUDY OF WORKERS'**
5 **COMPENSATION INSURANCE - REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL - LEGISLATIVE**
6 **COUNCIL RECOMMENDATIONS.** During the 2001-02 interim, the insurance commissioner
7 shall perform an independent study of the effects of competition on workers' compensation
8 premiums; services provided to injured workers; and coverage of small, medium, and large
9 employers and of the feasibility and desirability of allowing employers to obtain private
10 insurance or be self-insured for purposes of workers' compensation. The commissioner shall
11 report the results of this study to the legislative council no later than April 30, 2002. The
12 legislative council shall report its recommendations, together with any legislation required to
13 implement the recommendations, to the fifty-eighth legislative assembly.

14 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
15 workers' compensation fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of
16 \$150,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the insurance commissioner for the
17 purpose of funding the study of workers' compensation insurance, for the biennium beginning
18 July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003.