# **PRINTING LAWS**

## CHAPTER 404

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1122

(Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) (At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

## STATE PRINTING

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 46-02-04, 46-02-05, 46-02-06, 46-02-07, and 46-02-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the acquisition, classifications, specifications, and the authority of the office of management and budget with respect to state printing.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-02-04 of the 1999 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**46-02-04.** Classes of printing - Contracts. The printing of the state is divided into the following classes:

- 1. The printing of bills and resolutions of the legislative assembly constitutes the first class. However, certain bills and resolutions may be excepted from this class, as directed by officers of the legislative assembly or as provided for in the rules of the senate and the house of representatives.
- 2. The printing and binding of the journals of the senate and the house of representatives constitutes the second class.
- 3. The printing and binding of the reports and other documents that are prepared and submitted to the governor and secretary of state, and which make up the governmental biennial reports in accordance with sections 54-06-03 and 54-06-04, constitutes the third class. This class does not include the official budget report.
- 4. The printing and binding of the volumes of laws and legislative resolutions constitutes the fourth class.
- 5. All printing not included in the foregoing classes constitutes the sixth class.

Separate contracts for classes 3 and 4 must be let by the office of management and budget under competitive bidding in accordance with this title. Contracts for classes 4 and 2 must be let by competitive bidding by the office of management and budget in accordance with the rules of the senate and the house of representatives of the previous legislative session or as directed by the legislative council.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

46-02-05. Proposals for printing - Classifications 1, 2, <del>3,</del> and 4 <u>-</u> Form, style, quantity, timing specifications. The office of management and budget, at least two months immediately preceding each regular session of the legislative assembly, shall invite sealed bids for doing all printing constituting each of classifications 1, 2, <del>3,</del> and 4, required by the legislative assembly <del>and by the several state departments</del> for the two succeeding years commencing with the first day of December next following the date of the contract. Such The invitation for bids for the classes of printing under this section shall include the specifications for form, style, quantity, and timing in accordance with the rules of the senate and house of representatives of the previous legislative session or as directed by the legislative council. All bids must specify the price and cost for which the said printing work will be performed and the stock furnished.

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-02-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**46-02-06. Opening of bids - Awards.** The office of management and budget, within fifteen days after the date for receiving proposals as aforesaid, shall award the contract for each class classifications 1, 2, and 4 of printing to the lowest bidder therefor, subject to the provisions of this title. If two or more persons bid the same and the lowest price for any class of printing, the office of management and budget shall award the contract to such one or more of them as in its opinion will best subserve the interests of the state.

**SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**46-02-07. Proposals - How made.** Each proposal for each class classifications 1, 2, and 4 of state printing let under competitive bids must be in writing, sealed, and addressed to the office of management and budget. The office of management and budget may reject any bid made by anyone other than a regularly established and thoroughly competent printer and also may reject any or all bids if in its judgment the best interests of the state would be subserved thereby.

**SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-02-09 of the 1999 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

46-02-09. Sixth-class items - When bids or quotations required Printing classifications 3 and 6 - Procured by the office of management and budget. All work on sixth-class items amounting to seven hundred fifty dollars or over, not done by the central duplicating service of state printing in classifications 3 and 6 must be purchased by the office of management and budget or by departments, institutions, or state offices, must be let by competitive bidding or by the solicitation of at least two quotations by the office of management and budget, or by the departments, institutions, or state offices authorized to bid their own printing needs. Printing items amounting to less than seven hundred fifty dollars may be given by the department head to a printer selected by the department head and accompanied by a purchase order. If practical, all departments, institutions, or state offices authorized to and accompanied by the office of management and budget, or delegated, according to

chapter 54-44.4, unless the work is done by the central duplicating service of the office of management and budget.

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## CHAPTER 405

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1124

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

## **LEGAL NOTICE RATES**

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 46-05-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to review and adjustment of rates for legal notices by the office of management and budget.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** <u>Section 46-05-03 of the 1999 Supplement to</u> the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**46-05-03.** Legal notices - Fees. To effect uniformity, the office of management and budget may compute a standard price on those legal notices which are widely published such as ballots, insurance statements, and official proclamations. All newspapers must use the rates, type size, and column width as shown on its legal notice rate certification issued by the office of management and budget. Certifications must be issued within fifteen days after samples are submitted, or as soon thereafter as practicable.

The office of management and budget shall annually biennially review and adjust rates to reflect changes in economic conditions within the newspaper industry and the general economy, and those adjustments become effective on each July first following the review. These annual biennial changes may be percentage increases or decreases in the base rates, and they may incorporate revisions in the base rate structure. Whenever the office of management and budget considers an adjustment in the legal publication rates contained herein, it shall consult with representatives of the daily and weekly newspaper industry of the state and with representatives of state and local units of government.

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