

**Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003**

SENATE BILL NO. 2393
(Senators Robinson, Grindberg, Nelson)
(Representatives Glassheim, Price)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to duties of the department of commerce division of workforce development; and to amend and reenact section 54-60-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to duties of the North Dakota economic development foundation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 54-60-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

54-60-04. North Dakota economic development foundation - Executive committee - Purpose Duties. The North Dakota economic development foundation is created.

1. The foundation is composed of a minimum of fifteen and a maximum of thirty members appointed by the governor for two-year terms, except the governor shall appoint approximately one-half of the initial foundation members to one-year terms in order to initiate a cycle of staggered terms. Appointment of the foundation members must ensure a cross section of business, tourism, and economic development representation, and must ensure that at least one member represents rural concerns.
2. The foundation members shall elect an executive committee with a minimum of five and a maximum of seven foundation members. The executive committee members shall elect a chairman, vice chairman, and a secretary.
3. The foundation shall seek funding for administrative expenses from private sector sources and shall seek and distribute private sector funds for use in commerce-related activities in the state.
4. ~~The purpose of the foundation is to~~ shall:
 - a. Provide the governor advice and counsel in selecting the commissioner;
 - b. Serve in an advisory role to the commissioner;
 - c. Develop a strategic plan for economic development in the state and set accountability standards, measurements, and benchmarks to evaluate the effectiveness of the department in implementing the strategic plan;
 - d. Develop a strategic plan for the development of value-added agriculture in the state;
~~and~~
 - e. Monitor tourism and economic development activities and initiatives of the department.
 - f. Recommend state and federal legislation relating to strengthening the state's economy and increasing the state's population.
 - g. Monitor state and federal legislation and initiatives that may impact the state's economy and population.

- h. Serve as a source of expertise for developing public and private initiatives to strengthen the state's economy and increase the state's population.

SECTION 2. A new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Division of workforce development - Duties. The division of workforce development shall actively monitor local, regional, and national private and public workforce development initiatives.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2393.

Senate Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 0 Absent 2

House Vote: Yeas 69 Nays 25 Absent 0

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2003.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2003.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2003,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State