Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2244

Introduced by

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Senators Erbele, Andrist, Wardner

Representatives Kempenich, Monson, Wikenheiser

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide for the development and operation of wind turbines by public
- 2 school districts; to create and enact a new subsection to section 15.1-09-33 of the North
- 3 Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers of school boards; and to amend and reenact
- 4 subsection 5 of section 15.1-36-01 and subsection 4 of section 21-03-06 of the North Dakota
- 5 Century Code, relating to school construction projects and school district bonds.

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

- 7 **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 15.1-09-33 of the North Dakota Century 8 Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 9 Develop, construct, and operate wind turbines.
- SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Subsection 5 of section 15.1-36-01 of the North Dakota
 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - For purposes of this chapter, "facility" includes a public school parking lot, public school athletic complex, <u>wind turbine</u>, or any other improvement to real property owned by the school district.
- SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Subsection 4 of section 21-03-06 of the North Dakota

 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 17 By any a public school district, or the school district of the city of Fargo, to 18 purchase, erect, enlarge, and improve school buildings and teacherages, to 19 acquire sites therefor and for playgrounds, to furnish and equip the same with 20 heat, light, and ventilation or other necessary apparatus, to develop, construct, and 21 operate wind turbines, to pay advance rentals to the state school construction 22 fund, and also to purchase schoolbus equipment which must meet the standards 23 set up established by the state superintendent of public instruction and the director 24 of the department of transportation.

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- 1 SECTION 4. School district wind turbines Joint powers agreements.
- 2 Notwithstanding any other law, school districts may enter joint powers agreements to develop,
- 3 construct, and operate wind turbines within the participating school districts.