HIGHWAYS, BRIDGES, AND FERRIES

CHAPTER 221

HOUSE BILL NO. 1113

(Transportation Committee) (At the request of the Department of Transportation)

HIGHWAY CONTRACT ELECTRONIC BIDDING

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 24-02-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to bidding of highway contracts; and to provide an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 24-02-17 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

24-02-17. Contracts - Bids. Whenever the cost of any construction improvement exceeds the sum of twenty thousand dollars, the department shall proceed to advertise the same, request bids, and award such contracts in the manner provided in this chapter. <u>The department may accept bids and bid bonds that are submitted by electronic media such as the internet. The director may adopt the procedures and rules necessary to implement this section.</u>

SECTION 2. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act becomes effective on January 1, 2004.

Approved March 25, 2003 Filed March 25, 2003

CHAPTER 222

HOUSE BILL NO. 1031

(Legislative Council) (Budget Committee on Government Administration)

HIGHWAY SYSTEM COOPERATIVE AGREEMENTS

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to department of transportation cooperative agreements with counties or cities.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 24-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Cooperative agreements with counties or cities. The director may enter an agreement with a county or city for the cooperative or joint administration of an activity that will enhance the efficiency and effectiveness of the state highway system. The terms of the agreement supersede sections 24-02-36 and 24-02-37 or any other state law governing the use of state, county, or city highway funds.

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CHAPTER 223

HOUSE BILL NO. 1278

(Representatives Hawken, Wieland) (Senators Nething, Trenbeath)

ROAD ACCESS TO ISOLATED TRACTS

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 24-07-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to establishment of public road access to isolated tracts of land.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 24-07-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

24-07-06. Highway or cartway Public road may be established to give access to highway. Whenever any tract of land is surveyed or sold in tracts less than the original subdivision as established by the government survey thereof, so that any part thereof does not touch upon a public road so as to allow the owner of such tract access to a public highway, the board of county commissioners or board of township supervisors, upon petition of such owner, may open a cartway or highway along the lines of public road to gain access to any such tract or tracts when in the judgment of such board such cartway or highway public road is necessary and that it is of sufficient benefit to the county or township as a whole, but no such cartway or highway public road may exceed two rods [10.06 meters] in width unless in the judgment of such board a roadway of such width is not sufficient to accommodate the travel thereon.

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