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Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Representative Nelson

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 49-02 of the North Dakota

2 Century Code, relating to establishment of a renewable energy credit trading and tracking3 system.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 49-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is 6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Renewable energy credit trading and tracking system.** The commission, by rule or 8 order, may establish a program for tradable credits for electricity generated by an eligible 9 energy technology. In establishing this program, the commission shall implement a system that 10 constrains or limits the cost of credits, taking care to ensure that the system does not 11 undermine the market for those credits. The commission may facilitate the trading of renewable 12 energy credits between states. As used in this section, eligible energy technology includes 13 solar; wind; hydroelectric with a capacity of less than 60 megawatts; hydrogen, provided that 14 after January 1, 2010, the hydrogen must be generated from the resources listed in this section; 15 or biomass, which includes an energy recovery facility used to capture the heat value of mixed municipal solid waste or refuse-derived fuel from mixed municipal solid waste as a primary fuel. 16