

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments****ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1222**

Introduced by

Representatives Carlson, Devlin, Thoreson

Senators Flakoll, O'Connell, Wardner

1 A BILL for an Act providing for determining the estimated fiscal impact of an initiated measure.

2 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

3 **SECTION 1. Estimated fiscal impact of an initiated measure.** At least ninety days
4 before a statewide election at which an initiated measure will be voted upon, the legislative
5 council shall coordinate the determination of the estimated fiscal impact of the initiated
6 measure. Upon notification from the secretary of state that signed petitions have been
7 submitted for placement of an initiated measure on the ballot, the legislative council shall hold
8 hearings, receive public testimony, and gather information on the estimated fiscal impact of the
9 measure. Each agency, institution, or department shall provide information requested in the
10 format and timeframe prescribed by the legislative council or its designated committee for
11 identifying the estimated fiscal impact of an initiated measure. At least thirty days prior to the
12 public vote on the measure, the legislative council shall submit a statement of the estimated
13 fiscal impact of the measure to the secretary of state. Upon receipt, the secretary of state shall
14 include a notice within the analysis required by section 16.1-01-07 specifying where copies of
15 the statement of the estimated fiscal impact can be obtained. Within thirty days of the close of
16 the first complete fiscal year after the effective date of an initiated measure approved by the
17 voters, the agencies, institutions, or departments that provided the estimates of the fiscal
18 impact of the measure to the legislative council under this section shall submit a report to the
19 legislative council on the actual fiscal impact for the first complete fiscal year resulting from
20 provisions of the initiated measure and a comparison to the estimates provided to the
21 legislative council under this section and the legislative council shall issue a report of the actual
22 fiscal impact of the initiated measure.