

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with Senate Amendments**

Fifty-ninth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1275**

Introduced by

Representatives Skarphol, Glassheim, Svedjan

Senators Andrist, Seymour, Wardner

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-59 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to executive branch, legislative branch, and judicial branch reporting of  
3 information technology projects to the information technology advisory committee; and to  
4 amend and reenact section 54-59-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state  
5 information technology advisory committee.

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

7 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-59-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
8 amended and reenacted as follows:

9 **54-59-07. State information technology advisory committee.** The state information  
10 technology advisory committee consists of the chief information officer; the commissioner of  
11 higher education or the commissioner's designee; the attorney general or the attorney general's  
12 designee; the secretary of state or the secretary of state's designee; the tax commissioner or  
13 the commissioner's designee; the chief justice of the supreme court or the chief justice's  
14 designee; two members of the legislative assembly appointed by the legislative council; a  
15 minimum of eight members representing state agencies, appointed by the governor; and two  
16 members with technology management expertise representing private industry, appointed by  
17 the governor. The appointees of the governor serve at the pleasure of the governor. The  
18 governor shall designate the chairman of the committee. Additional members may be asked to  
19 participate at the request of the chairman. The department shall provide staff services to the  
20 committee. The members of the committee representing private industry are entitled to be  
21 compensated for time spent in attendance at meetings of the committee and for other travel as  
22 approved by the chairman of the committee at the rate of sixty-two dollars and fifty cents per  
23 day and are entitled to reimbursement for actual and necessary expenses incurred in the same  
24 manner as other state officials. The compensation and expenses are to be paid from

1 appropriations for the department. The committee shall advise the department regarding  
2 statewide information technology planning and budgeting, services of the information  
3 technology department, and statewide information technology initiatives and policy and shall  
4 review reports on major information technology projects as required by this chapter.

5 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 54-59 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Information technology projects - Reports.**

8 1. An executive, legislative, or judicial branch agency shall report to the state  
9 information technology advisory committee according to guidelines developed by  
10 the department and reviewed by the state information technology advisory  
11 committee regarding the plan for and status of any information technology project  
12 that is estimated to cost more than two hundred fifty thousand dollars.

13 2. During the life of the project, the agency shall notify the state information  
14 technology advisory committee if:

15 a. At a project milestone, the amount expended on project costs exceeds the  
16 planned budget for that milestone by twenty percent or more; or

17 b. At a project milestone, the project schedule extends beyond the planned  
18 schedule to attain that milestone by twenty percent or more.

19 3. A report under subsection 2 must specify corrective measures being undertaken to  
20 address any cost or time of completion issue. If the agency has not taken  
21 adequate corrective measures within ninety days after the report, the agency shall  
22 submit a report to the legislative council's information technology committee  
23 regarding the project.

24 4. Upon completion of the project, the agency shall notify the state information  
25 technology advisory committee if:

26 a. The budget for the project exceeded the original budget by twenty percent or  
27 more; or

28 b. The final project completion date extended beyond the original project  
29 scheduled completion date by twenty percent or more.