

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1407

Introduced by

Representatives Belter, Carlson

Senators Cook, Klein

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to a limitation on the expending of state funds to lobby the legislative
3 assembly and the legislative council; and to provide a penalty.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Expending state funds to lobby legislative assembly and legislative council**

8 **prohibited - Penalty.** An appointed or elected state official or a state employee may not
9 expend state funds to attempt to secure the passage, amendment, or defeat of legislation by
10 the legislative assembly or the legislative council or any committee of the legislative assembly
11 or the legislative council. The provisions of this section do not prohibit appearances before
12 legislative committees and the providing of documents and information either at the request of a
13 legislator or a committee or to provide necessary information while the individual is testifying
14 before a committee. Any person who violates this section is guilty of an infraction.