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Introduced by

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-03 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to requirements for legislative measures creating new allied health
- 3 profession boards.

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

**SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 54-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

## New allied health profession boards - Legislative council study - Exception.

- 1. A committee of the legislative assembly may not act on any legislative measure creating a new occupational or professional board regulating an allied health profession unless the measure as recommended by the committee provides:
  - The measure becomes effective July first of the next odd-numbered year following the year in which the legislative assembly enacted the measure; and
  - b. During the upcoming interim, the legislative council studies issues related to the creation of the new board. The legislative council shall conduct the study, which must include consideration of the feasibility and desirability of having an agency or an existing occupational or professional board regulate this allied health profession and consideration of how this new board fits into the existing and long-term structure of regulating allied health professions. The legislative council shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the next legislative assembly.
- 2. A majority of the members of the committee, acting through the chairman, has sole authority to determine whether a legislative measure creates a new occupational or professional board regulating an allied health profession under this section.

- 1 3. This section does not apply to a legislative measure introduced by the legislative
- 2 <u>council.</u>