Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1381

Introduced by

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Representatives Grande, Brandenburg, Haas, Sukut

Senator Dever

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 11-10-05, 11-13-01, and 11-14-02 of the North
- 2 Dakota Century Code, relating to term commencement for county officers.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 11-10-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 11-10-05. When terms of county officers commence When officers qualify.
- 7 Except as otherwise specifically provided by the laws of this state, the regular term of office of
- 8 each county officer, when the officer is elected for a full term, shall commence on the first
- 9 Monday in January next succeeding the officer's election and each such officer shall qualify and
- 10 enter upon the discharge of the officer's duties on or before the first Monday in January next
- 11 succeeding the date of the officer's election or within ten days thereafter. If the office to which
- 12 an officer is elected was vacant at the time of the officer's election or becomes vacant prior to
- 13 the date fixed for the commencement of the officer's term, the officer may qualify and enter
- 14 upon the duties of the office forthwith even though the officer was not elected to fill such
- 15 vacancy. If an officer is elected to fill an unexpired term in an office then held by an appointee,
- 16 such officer may qualify and enter upon the discharge of the duties of such office at any time
- after receiving a certificate of election to that office but not later than the first Monday in January
- 18 next succeeding the date of the officer's election to the unexpired term of office.
- 19 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 11-13-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is
- 20 amended and reenacted as follows:
- 21 **11-13-01. When county auditor to qualify and take office.** The county auditor shall
- 22 qualify and enter upon the discharge of the duties of office on or before the first Monday of April
- 23 next succeeding the auditor's election, or within ten days thereafter.

- SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Section 11-14-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 3 **11-14-02. When county treasurer to qualify and take office.** The county treasurer
- 4 shall qualify and enter upon the discharge of the duties of the office on or before the first
- 5 Monday of May next succeeding the treasurer's election, or within ten days thereafter.