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## **TITLE 52**

### **Social Security**

### **Summary of Bills Enacted by 2007 Legislative Assembly**

This memorandum summarizes 2007 legislation primarily affecting North Dakota Century Code Title 52. Bills primarily affecting other titles may also affect this title, and relevant provisions of those bills are summarized in this memorandum.

The legislation relating to Social Security may be classified in these subject areas: unemployment insurance and Job Service North Dakota.

#### **UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE**

**House Bill No. 1056** provides money in the federal advance interest repayment fund may be used for the purposes of reemployment programs to ensure the integrity of the unemployment insurance program in this state.

**House Bill No. 1057** requires employers that employ more than 99 employees to file Job Service North Dakota contribution and wage reports by an electronic method.

**House Bill No. 1278** modifies the construction project risk protection as it relates to the unemployment insurance trust fund by requiring general and prime contractors working on large projects to have a bond or letter of credit to cover the shortfalls that may occur, while excluding design and engineering firms from the reporting requirements of the bonding process.

**House Bill No. 1413** adjusts the unemployment insurance tax rate structure, including allowing for a more equitable distribution of rates according to risk to the unemployment insurance trust fund while allowing for more equitable rates for employers.

**Senate Bill No. 2035** changes the calculation of the unemployment insurance tax rates, providing for a minimum multiplier of 100 percent for all rates within the negative tax rate structure.

#### **JOB SERVICE NORTH DAKOTA**

**House Bill No. 1016** under the new jobs training program increases the minimum required employee income requirement from \$7.50 to \$10 per hour.

**House Bill No. 1134** updates a reference to the North Dakota Occupational Information Coordinating Committee to the followup information on North Dakota education and training (FINET) system.