## FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2370

Introduced by

Senators Fischer, Mathern, Hogue, Wardner

Representatives Conrad, Wieland

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative council study of the feasibility and desirability of
- 2 transferring from the county to the state the responsibility for the cost of expert examinations
- 3 and the cost and responsibility for providing legal counsel in mental health commitment cases.

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

- 5 SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY MENTAL HEALTH COMMITMENT
- 6 **EXAMINATION AND LEGAL COUNSEL COSTS.** During the 2009-10 interim, the legislative
- 7 council shall consider studying the feasibility and desirability of transferring from the county to
- 8 the state the responsibility for the cost of expert examinations and the cost and responsibility
- 9 for providing legal counsel in mental health commitment cases. The legislative council shall
- 10 report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement
- 11 the recommendations, to the sixty-second legislative assembly.