

March 5, 2009

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1129

Page 1, line 1, after "sections" insert "54-10-13," and after "54-10-14" insert ", 54-10-15,"

Page 1, after line 4, insert:

**"SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-10-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**54-10-13. Political subdivisions - Audits - State auditor powers.** The state auditor shall perform audits of political subdivisions pursuant to section 54-10-14 unless otherwise ~~requested by the governing board~~, ordered by the governor or the legislative audit and fiscal review committee, ~~or~~ on petition pursuant to section 54-10-15, or at the discretion of the state auditor for alleged improprieties."

Page 1, line 8, overstrike "state auditor shall audit the" and after "subdivisions" insert "must be audited at least"

Page 2, line 14, overstrike "three" and insert immediately thereafter "five"

Page 3, line 18, replace "must" with "may"

Page 3, after line 19, insert:

**"SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-10-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**54-10-15. Audits of political subdivisions by order of governor or the legislative audit and fiscal review committee, or upon petition.** The state auditor, by duly appointed deputy auditors or other authorized agents, shall audit or review the books, records, and financial accounts of any political subdivision when ordered by the governor or the legislative audit and fiscal review committee, ~~requested by the governing board~~, ~~or~~ upon petition of at least thirty-five percent of the qualified electors of any political subdivision enumerated in section 54-10-14 voting for the office of governor at the preceding general election, or, in the case of school districts, upon petition of at least thirty-five percent of the qualified electors voting at the preceding school board election. Fees for the audits must be paid in accordance with the provisions of section 54-10-14."

Renumber accordingly