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Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-44.3 of the North Dakota

- 2 Century Code, relating to a human resource management services pilot program to retain state
- 3 employees in the workforce as state employees reach retirement age; to provide for a report to
- 4 the legislative council; and to provide an expiration date.

5 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

6 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 54-44.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is 7 created and enacted as follows:

8 Pilot program - Retention of employees nearing retirement - Report to legislative 9 council. The division shall establish and implement a pilot program to assist state government 10 in retaining employees in the workforce as state employees near retirement. Notwithstanding 11 laws to the contrary, the pilot program may include provisions for flexible work hours, reduced 12 work hours, flexible leave policies, and telecommuting. During the 2011-12 interim, the director 13 shall report to the legislative council on the status of the pilot program, including whether the 14 pilot program has assisted the state in retaining state employees in the workforce as they near 15 retirement, whether the pilot program should be continued, and whether the pilot program 16 should be expanded. 17 SECTION 2. EXPIRATION DATE. This Act is effective through July 31, 2013, and

18 after that date is ineffective.