

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO JOINT RULE 802

1       **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Joint Rule 802 is amended as follows:

2       **802. IDENTIFICATION OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE MEDIA.** The Legislative

3 Council may provide identification badges for individuals identified as representatives of the

4 media by the North Dakota Newspaper Association and the North Dakota Broadcasters

5 Association before a regular session or by the statehouse correspondent of the Associated

6 Press during a legislative session. The statehouse correspondent of the Associated Press

7 shall ~~distribute~~ determine the method for distribution of the badges to the appropriate

8 individuals for use during the session to obtain access to the floor of the chamber as permitted

9 by the Senate and House. The statehouse correspondent of the Associated Press shall notify

10 the President of the Senate and the Speaker of the House with respect to identification badges

11 issued during the session.

**NOTE:** This proposed rules amendment is in response to a suggestion that Joint Rule 802 should reflect the practice followed in distributing identification badges, i.e., the North Dakota Newspaper Association distributes the badges. The proposed language provides the flexibility to recognize practices that may change in the future.