

Sixty-second  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**SENATE BILL NO. 2323**

Introduced by

Senators Christmann, Hogue, Heckaman

Representatives R. Kelsch, Headland, Monson

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to ~~documentation of~~ variance reports for certain construction ~~project-~~  
3 ~~costs and progress~~ projects at institutions of higher education.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Projects** Construction projects at institutions of higher education - Cost and progress-  
8 documentation Variance reports.

9 1. Whenever any new construction, renovation, or repair, or other type of improvement  
10 valued at more than ~~one~~ two hundred fifty thousand dollars is underway on the campus  
11 of an institution of higher education under the control of the state board of higher  
12 education, the board shall provide monthly project variance reports to the director of  
13 the office of management and budget ~~copies of all invoices and any other~~  
14 ~~documentation pertaining to the cost and progress of the activity.~~ Each report must  
15 include:

- 16 a. The name or a description of the project;  
17 b. The expenditure authorized by the legislative assembly;  
18 c. The amount of the original contract;  
19 d. The amount of any change orders;  
20 e. The amount of any potential or anticipated change orders;  
21 f. The sum of subdivisions c through e and the amount by which that sum varies  
22 from the expenditure authorized by the legislative assembly;  
23 g. The total expended for the project to date; and  
24 h. The schedule variance by number of days.

- 1     2. The state board of higher education also shall provide to the director of the office of
- 2         management and budget, at the same time as the project variance report required by
- 3         subsection 1:
- 4         a. A brief description of each change order included in subdivision d of
- 5             subsection 1; and
- 6         b. A list of each public and nonpublic entity that has a contractually reflected
- 7             financial obligation with respect to the project.