Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT with Senate Amendments **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1035**

Introduced by

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Legislative Management

(Health Care Reform Review Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for legislative management studies of the state's health care

2 delivery system and a behavioral health and addiction training initiative.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

4 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - HEALTH CARE DELIVERY**

5 **SYSTEM.** During the 2015-16 interim, the legislative management shall consider continuing its ongoing study of the needs and challenges of the North Dakota health care delivery system.

7 The study may include monitoring the implementation of the federal Affordable Care Act,

8 examining medicaid expansion and medicaid reform, reviewing any impact on rural access to

9 primary health care and emergency services, making recommendations to maintain and

10 enhance rural primary health care and emergency services, and considering the feasibility of

11 developing a state-based plan for a health care model that will comply with federal health care

12 reform in a manner that will provide high-quality access and affordable care for North Dakota

13 citizens. The university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences advisory council

14 shall make periodic reports to the legislative management on the status of the biennial report

15 developed pursuant to section 15-52-04. The legislative management shall report its findings

16 and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the

17 recommendations, to the sixty-fifth legislative assembly.

18 **SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - BEHAVIORAL HEALTH AND**

19 ADDICTION TRAINING INITIATIVE. During the 2015-16 interim, the legislative management 20 shall consider studying the feasibility and desirability of pursuing a behavioral health and 21 addiction training initiative in response to concerns described in the behavioral health planning 22 report prepared by Schulte Consulting, LLC, for the legislative management's 2013-14 human 23 services committee and in reports of the steering committee of the behavioral health

24 stakeholders group. The study shall include exploration of opportunities for innovative publicSixty-fourth Legislative Assembly

- 1 private partnerships, and may include participation by public and private stakeholders, such as
- 2 the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences and school of law. The
- 3 legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any
- 4 legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-fifth legislative assembly.