FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1175

Introduced by

Representatives Kempenich, Lefor, Zubke

Senator Bowman

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-03 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to permits for dredging.

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

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 20.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
and enacted as follows:

6 **Permit for dredging.**

7 If a body of water or waterway is designated by the director to require a permit for dredging.

8 <u>before a person that for hire engages in dredging that body of water or a waterway, that person</u>

9 must obtain a permit from the director. The director shall adopt rules that designate a body of

10 water or waterway as requiring a permit for dredging. The designation may include a body of

11 water or waterway if it is used or may be used by the public for fishing or recreation and may

12 not include a roadway right of way, or a person engaging in dredging on that person's own

13 property. The director shall make rules that set the qualifications of a dredger to conduct

14 <u>dredging on a designated body of water or waterway. These qualifications must be based on</u>

15 having adequate financial responsibility, obtaining the necessary permits, having an adequate

16 dredging plan, using the appropriate equipment, and planning for lessening the impact on the

17 public use. The director shall create an informational packet on the permitting process and the

- 18 required permits for dredging and shall make this informational packet available on the
- 19 department's website and at the department's offices.