Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1431

Introduced by

Representatives Mock, Hanson, Schneider

Senator Oban

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-35-02.8 of the North Dakota Century Code,

2 relating to the legislative ethics committee; and to provide for a legislative management study.

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

4 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 54-35-02.8 of the North Dakota Century Code is

5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **54-35-02.8**. Legislative ethics committee.

7 The legislative management, during each biennium, shall appoint an ethics committee to

8 consider or prepare a legislative code of ethics. <u>The committee must include members of the</u>

9 majority and minority parties of each house. The committee may recommend legislation relating

10 to legislative ethics. The committee shall operate according to the laws and procedures

11 governing the operation of other legislative management interim committees.

- 12 SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY. During the 2017-18 interim, the
- 13 legislative management shall study the rules and procedures governing the legislative ethics-
- 14 committee, including terms of appointment, issuance of advisory opinions, investigation of
- 15 complaints, and other related issues. The legislative management shall report its findings and
- 16 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to-
- 17 the sixty-sixth legislative assembly.