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. The committee must include members of the
- 9 <u>majority and minority parties of each house.</u> 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.