

Sixty-sixth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1048**

Introduced by

Representative Toman

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-59 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to the use of distributed ledger technologies.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 54-59 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Distributed ledger technologies - Authorization - Report.**

7 The department shall research, develop, and implement the use of distributed  
8 ledger-enabled platform technologies, such as blockchains, for computer-controlled programs,  
9 data transfer and storage, and program regulation used by state agencies to protect against  
10 falsification, improve internal data security, and identify external hacking threats. Research must  
11 include efforts to protect the privacy of personal identifying information maintained within  
12 distributed ledger programs. Before June first of each even-numbered year, the chief  
13 information officer shall report to the legislative management regarding the implementation of  
14 distributed ledger technologies.