Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2262

Introduced by

Senators Magrum, Clemens, Hogue, Vedaa

Representative Rohr

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06-01.3 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to appointment and confirmation of the executive director of the department of health
- 3 and human services; and to provide for application.

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

5 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 50-06-01.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is

- 6 amended and reenacted as follows:
- 7 **50-06-01.3.** Appointment of executive director <u>- Confirmation</u> Compensation.

8 The governor shall appoint the executive director of the department who shall serve at the

9 pleasure of the governormust be appointed by the governor and confirmed by the senate, and

10 shall hold office for a term of four years and until a successor has been appointed, confirmed by

11 the senate, and has qualified, unless the executive director is removed sooner as provided

12 <u>under this section. If the senate is not in session, the governor may make an interim</u>

13 appointment, and the interim appointee shall hold office until the senate confirms or rejects the

14 appointment. The executive director's term of office commences on the first day of July in each

15 year next following a national presidential election. The governor may remove from office an

16 <u>executive director who fails to faithfully discharge the duties of office</u>. The executive director

17 shall take the oath of office required of civil officers by section 44-01-05. The executive director

18 is entitled to receive compensation in the amount established by the governor within the limits of

19 legislative appropriations.

SECTION 2. APPLICATION. On the effective date of this Act, the governor shall make an
interim appointment of the executive director of the department of health and human services
for the unexpired portion of the four-year term.