

HOUSE BILL NO. 1313

Introduced by

Representatives Kasper, Bellew, Bosch, Lefor, Monson, D. Ruby, Vigesaa

Senators Bekkedahl, Hogue, Klein, Kreun, Meyer

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-35-06 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the chairman and vice chairman of the legislative management; to provide for
3 application; and to declare an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-35-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **54-35-06. Officers - Accept funds - Expenditures.**

8 1. The legislative management ~~shall select a~~ chairman must be the majority leader of
9 one house of the legislative assembly, or the majority leader's designee, and ~~a~~ the vice
10 chairman ~~from its own members and~~ must be the majority leader of the opposite house
11 of the legislative assembly, or the majority leader's designee. The legislative
12 management may prescribe its own rules of procedure.

13 2. The legislative management chairman shall serve a two-year term beginning at the
14 adjournment of each regular legislative session. The chairman may not be a member
15 of the same house of the legislative assembly for consecutive terms. The vice
16 chairman may not be a member of the same house of the legislative assembly as the
17 chairman.

18 3. The legislative management may appoint a secretary who need not be a member, and
19 shall appoint a director ~~who must~~ to be in charge of the legislative council and ~~who~~
20 ~~must be paid such.~~ The director is entitled to a salary asset by the legislative
21 management ~~may determine.~~ The director may employ such persons and obtain the
22 assistance of such research agencies ~~as determined necessary.~~ The director may use
23 available funds for salary adjustments to assist with staff recruitment, retention, and
24 recognition of exceptional performance. The legislative management and the

1 legislative council may accept and use any funds made available through the terms of
2 any agreement made with any agency whatsoever for the accomplishment of the
3 purpose of this chapter. Expenditures of funds made available by legislative
4 appropriation must be made in accordance with rules or motions duly approved by the
5 legislative management.

6 **SECTION 2. APPLICATION.** The chairman of the legislative management beginning at the
7 adjournment of the 2023 legislative session must be the majority leader of the house of
8 representatives.

9 **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.