

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT**

**ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1444**

Introduced by

Representatives Brandenburg, Beltz, Grueneich, Hagert, Kempenich

Senators Conley, Erbele, Kessel, Patten, Thomas, Wanzek

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 24-05-17 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the county road system.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 24-05-17 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **24-05-17. Responsibility for county road system.**

7 The boards of county commissioners in their respective counties have the sole authority  
8 and responsibility to acquire land for, construct, maintain, and operate the county road system  
9 as designated and selected by them. If a board of county commissioners determines a local  
10 road meets the criteria in section 24-05-16 and is under the jurisdiction of the township, the  
11 board of county commissioners shall notify the township of its intention to add the road to the  
12 county system. The board of county commissioners shall hold a public meeting to receive input  
13 on the county's intention to add the road to the county system. Following the public meeting, the  
14 board of county commissioners shall make a decision at its subsequent scheduled meeting  
15 regarding adding the road to the county system.