

Fifty-fifth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1187**

Introduced by

Representatives Byerly, Wald, Skarphol

Senators Goetz, Naaden

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-27 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to state agency lease arrangements.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 54-27 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 created and enacted as follows:

6 **State agency lease arrangements - Approval.** A state agency or institution may not  
7 acquire the use of an asset through a lease arrangement that involves lease payments being  
8 made in more than one biennial period unless the proposed lease has been separately  
9 identified in the agency's budget request and funds for lease payments have been appropriated  
10 by the legislative assembly, the legislative assembly has identified appropriated funds for the  
11 lease arrangement, or the lease arrangement has been approved by the budget section. All  
12 lease arrangements that involve lease payments being made in more than one biennial period  
13 must include a provision that future lease payments are subject to appropriations provided by  
14 the legislative assembly.