

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1385

Page 1, line 1, replace "section" with "sections" and after "54-35-02.5" insert "and 54-35-17"

Page 1, line 2, after "committee" insert "and the retention of legal counsel by the legislative branch"

Page 1, line 13, replace the underscored colon with "each"

Page 1, line 14, remove "1. Each", replace "both" with "either", and replace "and" with "or"

Page 1, line 15, replace "; and" with an underscored period

Page 1, remove lines 16 through 18

Page 1, after line 18, insert:

"SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 54-35-17 of the 1995 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

54-35-17. Retention of legal counsel. When the legislative assembly is in session, either house by resolution may authorize, or both houses by concurrent resolution may direct, the legislative council to appoint or retain legal counsel to appear in, commence, prosecute, defend, or intervene in any action, suit, matter, cause, or proceeding in any court or agency when deemed necessary or advisable to protect the official interests of the legislative branch. When the legislative assembly is not in session, the legislative council, by a ~~two-thirds majority~~ vote, may appoint or retain legal counsel to appear in, commence ~~or~~, prosecute, ~~or by a majority vote, may appoint or retain legal counsel to~~ defend, or intervene in, any action, suit, matter, cause, or proceeding in any court or agency when deemed necessary or advisable to protect the official interests of the legislative branch. Section 54-12-08 does not apply to a person appointed or retained under this section."

Renumber accordingly