

Fifty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2074

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Workers Compensation Bureau)

1 A BILL for an Act to require the workers compensation bureau to submit to independent
2 performance audits on a biennial basis.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Independent audit.** The state auditor shall appoint on a biennial basis an
5 independent audit firm, with extensive expertise in workers' compensation practices and
6 standards, to complete a performance audit of the departments of the bureau. The audit must
7 evaluate departments of the bureau, as determined necessary by the state auditor, to
8 determine whether the departments are providing quality service in an efficient and
9 cost-effective manner. The audit report must contain recommendations for departmental
10 improvement or an explanation of why no recommendations are being made. The executive
11 director of the bureau and the auditor shall present the audit report and any action taken as a
12 result to the legislative council's legislative audit and fiscal review committee and to the house
13 and senate industry, business and labor standing committees during the next regular session of
14 the legislative assembly following the audit. The executive director also shall provide a copy of
15 the audit report to the state auditor.