

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1166

That the Senate recede from its amendments as printed on page 810 of the House Journal and page 662 of the Senate Journal and that House Bill No. 1166 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 4, replace the first "section" with "sections" and after "61-02-23.1" insert ", 61-24.3-19,"

Page 1, line 5, after "for" insert "the northwest area water supply project, validation of southwest pipeline project water service contracts,"

Page 1, after line 18, insert:

**"SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 61-24.3-19 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**61-24.3-19. Validation of water service contracts.** Water service contracts entered into by the commission for the distribution and sale of water to water user entities from the southwest pipeline project are hereby deemed confirmed and approved by the legislative assembly. The commission may commence a special proceeding in and by which the proceedings of the commission and the making of water service contracts shall be judicially examined, approved, and confirmed, or disapproved and disaffirmed. ~~Such~~ The proceeding shall must comply as nearly as possible with the procedure authorized by sections 61-07-22 through 61-07-28 for irrigation district contracts. The requirements of section 40-33-16 are not applicable to contracts between the state water commission and cities for water service and cities for water service from the southwest pipeline project, provided the contracts were approved by the city governing body and executed before January 1, 1999."

Re-number accordingly