

**SENATE BILL NO. 2300**

Introduced by

Senators Fairfield, Mathern

Representatives Hanson, Headland, Kroeber, Pollert

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative council study of the future role of the state hospital.

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

3 **SECTION 1. STATE HOSPITAL - LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY.** The legislative  
4 council shall study during the 2003-04 interim the future role of the state hospital. The study  
5 should solicit input from interested parties, including state hospital employees, citizens of  
6 Jamestown and Stutsman County, the governor, state hospital, department of human services,  
7 department of corrections and rehabilitation, mental health association of North Dakota, North  
8 Dakota public employees association, and the state hospital governing board. The study  
9 should include the review of the state hospital's strategic planning process and address the use  
10 of state hospital facilities, the impact of prison facilities being co-located at the state hospital,  
11 and the impact and the availability of community mental health services. The legislative council  
12 shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to  
13 implement the recommendations, to the fifty-ninth legislative assembly.