

**Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003**

SENATE BILL NO. 2393  
(Senators Robinson, Grindberg, Nelson)  
(Representatives Glasheim, Price)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to duties of the department of commerce division of workforce development; and to amend and reenact section 54-60-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to duties of the North Dakota economic development foundation.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-60-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**54-60-04. North Dakota economic development foundation - Executive committee - Purpose Duties.** The North Dakota economic development foundation is created.

1. The foundation is composed of a minimum of fifteen and a maximum of thirty members appointed by the governor for two-year terms, except the governor shall appoint approximately one-half of the initial foundation members to one-year terms in order to initiate a cycle of staggered terms. Appointment of the foundation members must ensure a cross section of business, tourism, and economic development representation, and must ensure that at least one member represents rural concerns.
2. The foundation members shall elect an executive committee with a minimum of five and a maximum of seven foundation members. The executive committee members shall elect a chairman, vice chairman, and a secretary.
3. The foundation shall seek funding for administrative expenses from private sector sources and shall seek and distribute private sector funds for use in commerce-related activities in the state.
4. ~~The purpose of the foundation is to~~ shall:
  - a. Provide the governor advice and counsel in selecting the commissioner;\_
  - b. Serve in an advisory role to the commissioner;\_
  - c. Develop a strategic plan for economic development in the state and set accountability standards, measurements, and benchmarks to evaluate the effectiveness of the department in implementing the strategic plan;\_
  - d. Develop a strategic plan for the development of value-added agriculture in the state; ~~and.~~
  - e. Monitor tourism and economic development activities and initiatives of the department.
  - f. Recommend state and federal legislation relating to strengthening the state's economy and increasing the state's population.
  - g. Monitor state and federal legislation and initiatives that may impact the state's economy and population.

- h. Serve as a source of expertise for developing public and private initiatives to strengthen the state's economy and increase the state's population.

**SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Division of workforce development - Duties.** The division of workforce development shall actively monitor local, regional, and national private and public workforce development initiatives.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2393.

Senate Vote:    Yeas    45        Nays    0        Absent    2

House Vote:    Yeas    69        Nays    25       Absent    0

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State