

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments**

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1456

Introduced by

Representatives Nelson, Gulleason, Kretschmar

Senators Horne, Klein

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative council study of wind farm siting and
2 decommissioning.

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

4 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL - WIND FARM SITING AND**

5 **DECOMMISSIONING STUDY.** During the 2007-08 interim, the legislative council shall study
6 the siting and decommissioning of commercial wind farms. The study must include
7 identification of key issues of public and industry concern; solicitation of public input from local
8 government officials, electric utilities, the wind industry, landowners, farm organizations, and
9 other concerned interests; review of the laws and policies of other jurisdictions;
10 recommendations concerning laws or policies needed in this state to address wind farm siting
11 and reclamation of wind farm sites; and the decommissioning of wind farm sites. The
12 legislative council shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation
13 required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-first legislative assembly.