

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1148**

Introduced by

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

(At the request of the Supreme Court)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-10-15 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to audits conducted by the state auditor at the request of the state court administrator.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-10-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **54-10-15. Audits of political subdivisions by order of governor or the legislative**  
7 **audit and fiscal review committee, ~~or upon petition, or upon request of the state court~~**  
8 **administrator.** The state auditor, by duly appointed deputy auditors or other authorized  
9 agents, shall audit or review the books, records, and financial accounts of any political  
10 subdivision when ordered by the governor or the legislative audit and fiscal review committee,  
11 requested by the governing board, or upon petition of at least thirty-five percent of the qualified  
12 electors of any political subdivision enumerated in section 54-10-14 voting for the office of  
13 governor at the preceding general election or, in the case of school districts, upon petition of at  
14 least thirty-five percent of the qualified electors voting at the preceding school board election, or  
15 upon the request of the state court administrator with respect to clerk of district court services  
16 provided by a county in accordance with chapter 27-05.2. Fees for the audits must be paid in  
17 accordance with the provisions of section 54-10-14.