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Bismarck, January 19, 2009

The Senate convened at 1:00 p.m., with President Dalrymple presiding.

The prayer was offered by Pastor Dale Emery, The United Methodist Church, New Rockford.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Grindberg, Holmberg, Krauter, Taylor, and Warner.

A quorum was declared by the President.

POINT OF PERSONAL PRIVILEGE

SEN. FIEBIGER: Mr. President: I rise on a point of personal privilege.

As we gather to do the people's work today, January 19th, let us lift up and recognize the day set aside to honor the birthday of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Let us recognize and celebrate Dr. King's contributions to the advancement of human rights in this great nation. Dr. King dedicated his life to working to make justice a reality for all our citizens and to remind us that the time is always right to do what's right. He worked tirelessly to advance the rights of Blacks and all who were victims of injustice. He was instrumental in the passage of the Civil Rights Act of 1964 and the Voting Rights Act. And as we recognize Dr. King's legacy, we lift up all those who worked tirelessly and without recognition, those who marched and those who chose to walk rather than ride the bus, and those who also gave their lives.

Dr. King spoke eloquently that the ultimate measure of a man is not where he stands in moments of comfort and convenience, but where he stands at a time of challenge and controversy.

Mr. President, as we are poised on the eve of the historical inauguration of the forty-fourth President of the United States of America, the son of a Black man from Kenya and a white woman from the state of Kansas, let us remember Dr. King for his action and ultimate sacrifice that are a part of our history. Dr. King understood and spent his life educating others that we must judge people by the content of their character and that we must continue to work to change hearts, not just laws.

REQUEST

SEN. O'CONNELL REQUESTED that the remarks of Sen. Fiebiger be printed in the Journal, which request was granted.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that SB 2262 and SB 2263 be returned to the Senate floor from the **Transportation Committee** for the purpose of withdrawal, which motion prevailed.

REQUEST

SEN. G. LEE REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the Senate to withdraw SB 2262. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the President.

REQUEST

SEN. G. LEE REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the Senate to withdraw SB 2263. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the President.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2046: SEN. J. LEE (Human Services Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ pages 90-91 be adopted and then be **REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2047: SEN. DEVER (Human Services Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ page 91 be adopted and then be **REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2038: SEN. FLAKOLL (Education Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ pages 89-90 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2081: SEN. BAKKE (Education Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ pages 91-92 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2104: SEN. WANZEK (Industry, Business and Labor Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ page 92 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2113: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-30-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to applicants for licensure as a private investigative or private security service.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2113 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2117: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 43-30-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to exception from licensure as a private investigative or private security officer.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

Engrossed SB 2117 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2088: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 57-51.1-07.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to transfer of oil and gas gross production tax and oil extraction tax revenues.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 41 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach;

Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

NAYS: Flakoll

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2088 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2100: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 6-09.15-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the beginning entrepreneur loan guarantee program by the Bank of North Dakota.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2100 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2103: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 6-09-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers of the Bank of North Dakota.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2103 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2106: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 1 and 2 of section 52-06-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to overcoming disqualification from unemployment compensation benefits.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2106 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2061: A BILL for an Act to provide for human resource management services to study workforce recruitment and retention and report to the legislative council.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

Engrossed SB 2061 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2080: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-20.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the operation of accreditation mills; to amend and reenact section 15-20.4-02, subsection 3 of section 15-20.4-03, subsection 1 of section 15-20.4-04, section 15-20.4-06, and subsection 1 of section 15-20.4-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authorizations to operate postsecondary educational institutions and false academic degrees; to repeal section 15-20.4-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to negotiation of promissory instruments by postsecondary educational institutions; and to provide a penalty.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

Engrossed SB 2080 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2102: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 52-04-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the penalty for failure to submit employer contribution and wage reports; and to provide a penalty.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

Engrossed SB 2102 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2108: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 52-06-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to eligibility for unemployment compensation benefits.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

Engrossed SB 2108 passed and the title was agreed to.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that SCR 4003, which is on the Eleventh order, be laid over one legislative day, which motion prevailed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2092: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 39-21-55 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an exemption from rear-end protection requirements for certain vehicles; and to declare an emergency.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 41 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

NAYS: Christmann

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2092 passed, the title was agreed to, and the emergency clause was declared carried.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2096: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 5-01-05.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to medical care of intoxicated persons.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2096 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2109: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-25.1-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to insurance credit scores.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 41 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 6 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Pomeroy; Taylor; Warner

SB 2109 passed and the title was agreed to.

REQUEST

SEN. O'CONNELL REQUESTED that the record show that Senator Pomeroy was present and intended to vote "YEA" on SB 2109, which request was granted.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2125: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 21 of section 4-09-01, subsection 1 of section 4-09-02, subsection 2 of section 4-09-03, sections 4-09-13, 4-09-17, 4-09-17.1, 4-09-25, 4-10-14, and 4-11-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the seed department's revolving fund and to the functions and responsibilities of the seed commission, seed department, and seed labelers.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2125 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2128: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-53-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the membership of the advisory transportation council of the upper great plains transportation institute.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson;

Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjerm; Triplett; Wanzenk; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2128 passed and the title was agreed to.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that the Select Committee to approve the nominees to the North Dakota State Board of Higher Education be changed, replacing Senator Taylor with Senator Heckaman, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that Senate Rule 502 be suspended and that Senator O'Connell replace Senator Taylor on the Education Committee for this week, which motion prevailed.

DELIVERY OF ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

The following resolution was delivered to the Secretary of State for filing on January 19, 2009: SCR 4004.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

MR. PRESIDENT: The House wishes to inform the Senate that Rep. Vigesaa moved that Joint Rule 208 be suspended for the purpose of introducing HB 1476, HB 1477, HB 1478, HB 1479, HB 1480, HB 1481, HB 1482, HB 1483, HB 1484, HB 1485 and HB 1486 and that the Senate be notified of Suspension of Joint Rule 208 for this purpose.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

MR. PRESIDENT: The House has passed and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1024, HB 1087, HB 1107, HB 1108, HB 1144, HB 1158.

SIGNING OF BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS

The Speaker signed the following enrolled resolution: SCR 4004.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2079: Education Committee (Sen. Freborg, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2079 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 11, after "The" insert "primary"

Page 1, line 12, after "to" insert "educate physicians and other health professionals and to" and replace "through" with an underscored period

Page 1, line 13, replace "the education of physicians and other health professionals and through" with "Other purposes include"

Page 1, line 14, replace ", thereby improving the health of the public" with "that benefits the people of this state and enhances the quality of their lives"

Re-number accordingly

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that the Senate stand in recess until 7:45 p.m., which motion prevailed.

THE SENATE RECONVENED pursuant to recess taken, with President Dalrymple presiding over Citizen's Night at the Legislature.

REMARKS OF MAJORITY LEADER STENEHJEM

Good evening on behalf of the Senators of North Dakota, and welcome to your state capitol. It is an honor to have you attend this year's Citizen's Night. This evening you may notice a few Senators are absent. That's because they are representing our great state in Washington, DC at the inauguration of the President. We ask that you please excuse them.

We gather in these chambers every two years united behind one purpose, to enrich the lives of the citizens of North Dakota. Individually we can do nothing, but together, with your help, we can accomplish great things.

I encourage everyone here to stay and talk with your Senators. This is truly a citizen's legislature. Get to know your legislators. Call them, email them, and share your concerns with them. Your participation ensures a strong democracy.

Again, welcome, and thank you for coming. We hope to see you here again soon!

REQUEST

SEN. O'CONNELL REQUESTED that the remarks of Majority Leader Stenehjem be printed in the Journal, which request was granted.

REMARKS OF MINORITY LEADER O'CONNELL

I want to thank all of you for coming tonight to watch your Legislature in action. I hope you have a good time tonight watching us do our work--writing bills, debating their merits, and casting our votes.

I also hope that tonight serves as a reminder that you, the people, are the reason we're all here in the first place. You elected us to come here for up to 80 days every two years to do your bidding, to change things that you want to see changed, and to make our state a better place.

So thanks again for taking the time to come here tonight, and please remember that you are always welcome here, because this is your house too.

MOTION

SEN. STENEHJEM MOVED that the remarks of Minority Leader O'Connell be printed in the Journal, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2079: SEN. BAKKE (Education Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ page 101 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2157: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 14-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to voluntary blood donation by minors.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 41 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

NAYS: Hogue

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2157 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2037: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-39.2-04.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a sales and use tax exemption for materials used in compressing, processing, gathering, or refining of gas; and to provide an effective date.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2037 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2083: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-62.2-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the maximum amount of individual grants established by the state board of higher education for the student financial assistance program.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO NOT PASS, the roll was called and there were 20 YEAS, 22 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Behm; Dotzenrod; Fiebiger; Heckaman; Horne; Lindaas; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Triplett

NAYS: Andrist; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Hogue; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lyson; Miller; Nodland; Olafson; Stenehjem; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2083 lost.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2052: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 10 of section 57-02-27.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to extension of the deadline for counties to implement use of soil survey data in agricultural property tax assessments; and to provide an effective date.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2052 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2094: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-12.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to exempting certain employees at the developmental center at westwood park, Grafton, from the requirements of the Nurse Practices Act.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

Engrossed SB 2094 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2077: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15-52-10, 15-52-15, 15-52-16, 15-52-18, 15-52-20, 15-52-26, and 15-52-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the University of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences revolving loan fund.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2077 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2111: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 7 of section 54-23.4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to crime victims compensation.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2111 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2119: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 29-17-03 and 29-17-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to selection of prospective jurors; and to repeal sections 29-17-05, 29-17-06, 29-17-07, 29-17-08, 29-17-10, and 29-17-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to selection of jurors.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2119 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2201: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a property tax credit for disabled veterans; to amend and reenact subsection 20 of section 57-02-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the property tax exemption for disabled veterans; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2201 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2090: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 12 of section 57-39.2-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to sales and use tax imposed on purchases made in North Dakota by persons from an adjoining state.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2090 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2105: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 13-04.1-13, 13-05-10, 13-08-15, and 13-09-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to enforcement actions for money brokers, collection agencies, deferred presentment service providers, and money transmitters; and to provide a penalty.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2105 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2147: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authorization for two design-build contracts for highway or bridge projects; to provide for a report to the legislative assembly; and to provide an expiration date.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 5 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Heckaman; Hogue; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Miller; Nelson; Nething; Nodland; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Schneider; Seymour; Stenehjem; Triplett; Wanzek; Wardner

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grindberg; Holmberg; Krauter; Taylor; Warner

SB 2147 passed and the title was agreed to.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that the absent members be excused, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that the Senate be on the Fourth, Fifth, Ninth, and Thirteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the Senate stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, January 20, 2009, which motion prevailed.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2026: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Dever, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2026 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2111: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2111 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2114: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2114 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2119: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2119 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2120: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2120 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2134: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Dever, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2134 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 2, line 15, after "~~work~~" insert "Prison industries may sell commissary items and prison industries-made clothing to inmates."

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2135: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Dever, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2135 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 3, line 17, replace "May" with "Shall"

Page 3, line 18, after "treasurer" insert "in a timely manner. An adjustment of an insignificant amount need not be made at the discretion of the state treasurer. The state treasurer shall adopt a written policy identifying what is considered insignificant"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2201: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2201 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

Sens. J. Lee, Fiebiger, Krebsbach and Reps. N. Johnson, Hofstad, Kerzman introduced:

SB 2231: A BILL for an Act to provide for contracting with a statewide charitable food recovery and distribution organization; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sen. Holmberg introduced:

SB 2232: A BILL for an Act to create and enact sections 28-21-03.1 and 28-21-04.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to general and summary execution of judgment; and to amend and reenact sections 28-21-01, 28-21-03, 28-21-04, 28-21-04.1, 28-21-05, 28-21-05.1, 28-21-06, 28-21-07, 28-21-08, 28-21-09, 28-21-10, 28-21-13, 28-21-17, 28-21-18, and 28-23-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to execution of judgment.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Fiebiger, Mathern and Reps. Gruchalla, Klemin introduced:

SB 2237: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to title 23 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a health care record registry.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Schneider, Bakke, Wardner and Reps. Dahl, Mock, Weiler introduced:

SB 2238: A BILL for an Act to prohibit increases in tuition at North Dakota university system institutions; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an expiration date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Cook, Flakoll, Seymour and Reps. Boehning, Dosch, Glassheim introduced:

SB 2239: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-02-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to property tax assessments for new construction; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Klein, Dever and Reps. Belter, Boe, Wald introduced:

SB 2240: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 6-08.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers of an industrial bank; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Olafson, Fiebiger, Nodland and Reps. Delmore, Kempenich, Ruby introduced:

SB 2241: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 39-12-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the fee for an overweight vehicle or load.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Taylor, Miller, Wanzek and Reps. DeKrey, Headland, Metcalf introduced:

SB 2242: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 4-02.1-05, 4-05.1-17, 4-09-03, 4-09-20.2, 4-10.1-06, 4-10.2-05, 4-10.3-05, 4-10.4-05, 4-10.5-04, 4-10.6-04, 4-10.7-05, 4-14.1-05, 4-18.1-04, 4-22-04, 4-27-05, 4-28-05, 4-34-07, 6-09.10-03, 36-01-04, and 36-14-25 of the North Dakota Century Code or in the alternative to amend and reenact sections 4.1-02-09, 4.1-03-08, 4.1-04-07, 4.1-05-05, 4.1-06-08, 4.1-07-08, 4.1-09-12, 4.1-10-06, 4.1-11-08, and 4.1-13-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to per diem compensation for members of agriculture-related boards.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Pomeroy, Anderson, Krebsbach, Lyson, Mathern and Rep. Myxter introduced:

SB 2244: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact paragraph 2 of subdivision b of subsection 15 of section 57-02-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to continuation of the farm residence exemption for the surviving spouse of a deceased farmer; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Pomeroy, Anderson, Erbele, Warner and Reps. Mueller, Myxter introduced:

SB 2245: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 17-04-01, 17-04-03, and 17-04-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the development of wind power.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Triplett, Erbele, Potter and Reps. Keiser, Kerzman, Porter introduced:

SB 2246: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 47-05-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to requirements for easements, servitudes, and nonappurtenant restrictions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. J. Lee, Dever, Robinson and Reps. Berg, N. Johnson, Mueller introduced:

SB 2247: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 35 through 42 of section 57-02-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to property tax exemptions for new construction; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Klein, Miller, Taylor and Reps. Brandenburg, D. Johnson, Mueller introduced:

SB 2248: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to certified pesticide applicators; to amend and reenact sections 4-35-05, 4-35-08, 4-35-09, 4-35-09.1, 4-35-12, 4-35-14, 4-35-15, 4-35-16, 4-35-18, 4-35-19, 4-35-20, 4-35-22, 4-35-23, and 4-35-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to pesticides; to repeal sections 4-35-17 and 4-35-28 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to license plates for vehicles used in the application of certain pesticides and the disposition of funds; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. Anderson, Horne, J. Lee and Reps. Kaldor, S. Meyer, Wall introduced:

SB 2249: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-21-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state bonding fund; to provide an appropriation; and to provide a transfer.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Holmberg, Triplett introduced:

SB 2250: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 35-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to attorney's fees under construction liens; to amend and reenact sections 11-18-14, 28-01-17, 28-05-09, 35-15-06, 35-21-01, 35-27-02, 35-27-04, 35-27-13, 35-27-14, 35-27-16, 35-27-18, 35-27-22, 35-27-24, 35-27-25, and 47-18-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mechanic's and construction liens; and to repeal sections 35-27-05, 35-27-11, 35-27-12, and 35-27-26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to outdated mechanic's lien provisions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, G. Lee, J. Lee and Reps. Kasper, Nelson, Nottestad introduced:

SB 2251: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to compensation for water resource district managers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, G. Lee, J. Lee and Reps. Delmore, Nelson, Vigesaa introduced:

SB 2252: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-15-26.6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to water resource district tax levies.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, G. Lee, Miller and Reps. Kasper, Nelson, Nottestad introduced:

SB 2253: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the appointment of water resource district managers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, J. Lee, Miller and Reps. Kasper, Nelson, Nottestad introduced:

SB 2254: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16.1-40.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to maintenance of federal water management projects.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, G. Lee, Nething and Reps. Kasper, Nelson, Nottestad introduced:

SB 2255: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16.1-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to exercise of the power of eminent domain by water resource districts.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, G. Lee, J. Lee, Miller and Reps. Kasper, Nelson, Nottestad introduced:

SB 2256: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 32-12.2-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to contracts between the state and a political subdivision.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Horne, Bakke and Reps. N. Johnson, Potter, Wieland introduced:

SB 2257: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-15-10 and a new section to chapter 57-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authorization for voter approval of a city property tax levy for programs and activities for support of child care providers; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Potter, Horne, Mathern and Reps. Pinkerton, Potter, Schneider introduced:

SB 2258: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 34-01-20 and 34-11.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to whistleblower protection for private and public employees.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Fiebiger and Reps. Dahl, Delmore introduced:

SB 2259: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 44-04-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authority to establish procedures for providing access from an outside location to computer databases or electronically stored information.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Schneider, Erbele, Hogue and Reps. Kilichowski, Pietsch introduced:

SB 2260: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 54 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state matching funds for individual development accounts; to amend and reenact subdivision n of subsection 1 of section 50-09-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to administration of the temporary assistance for needy families program; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Hogue, Cook, Klein, Wanzek and Reps. Potter, Vigesaa introduced:

SB 2261: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-40-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to establishment of primary and excess automobile liability coverages for rental vehicles.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. G. Lee, O'Connell and Reps. Nelson, Ruby introduced:

SB 2262: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-29-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to off-highway vehicle fines.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. G. Lee, Miller, O'Connell and Reps. Nelson, Ruby introduced:

SB 2263: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-24-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to snowmobile fines.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Klein, Erbele, Heckaman and Reps. Damschen, DeKrey, Weisz introduced:

SB 2264: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a special season-long nonresident small game hunting license fee; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 20.1-03-07 and subsection 2 of section 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to nonresident small game hunting licenses and fees.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Wanzek, Erbele, Mathern and Reps. J. Kelsh, S. Kelsh, L. Meier introduced:

SB 2265: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 14-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to required notice to be posted at abortion facilities or hospitals.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. J. Lee, Seymour, Warner and Reps. Delmore, Klein, Kreidt introduced:

SB 2266: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-11-39 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the nursing education consortium; to provide an appropriation; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sen. Holmberg introduced:

SB 2267: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 34-11.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to whistleblower protection for public employees.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Nodland, Wanzek and Reps. Kasper, N. Johnson introduced:

SB 2268: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 43-19.1-02, 43-19.1-03, 43-19.1-04, 43-19.1-05, 43-19.1-07, 43-19.1-08, 43-19.1-09, 43-19.1-10, 43-19.1-11, 43-19.1-12, 43-19.1-12.1, 43-19.1-13, 43-19.1-14, 43-19.1-15, 43-19.1-16, 43-19.1-16.1, 43-19.1-17, 43-19.1-18, 43-19.1-19, 43-19.1-20, 43-19.1-21, 43-19.1-22, 43-19.1-23, 43-19.1-24, 43-19.1-25, 43-19.1-26, 43-19.1-27, 43-19.1-29, 43-19.1-30, 43-19.1-31, and 43-19.1-33 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the regulation of professional engineers and professional land surveyors; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Grindberg, Holmberg and Reps. Dosch, Froseth introduced:

SB 2269: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-38-01.26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to angel fund investment income tax credits; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. Robinson, Lyson and Reps. Bellew, Metcalf, Mueller introduced:

SB 2270: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 40-49-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to bid requirements for park districts.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Bakke, Olafson, Taylor and Reps. Dahl, Kroeber, Uglen introduced:

SB 2271: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-25.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to child abuse investigations and required reports of animal abuse.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, Fischer, Hogue and Reps. Kempenich, L. Meier, Onstad introduced:

SB 2272: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-36 and a new section to chapter 54-52.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to parity for health insurance coverage of prosthetics; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, Fischer, Olafson and Reps. Froseth, Hunskor, Klein introduced:

SB 2273: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 48-01.2-02, 61-16.1-14, 61-21-45, 61-35-13, 61-35-88, and 61-35-94 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to plans and specifications for public improvement contracts and bidding requirements.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. J. Lee, Heckaman, Klein and Reps. Keiser, Thorpe, Weisz introduced:

SB 2274: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-36-44 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to health insurance independent external reviews requested by providers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Potter, Bakke, Fiebigger and Reps. Conrad, Wrangham introduced:

SB 2275: A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 44-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to prohibiting elected officials from appearing in public service announcements and the type size of the names of public officials on public documents; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Potter, Andrist, Mathern and Reps. Conrad, Glassheim, Griffin introduced:

SB 2276: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-36-37.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to disclosure of accident and health insurance loss ratios.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. O'Connell, Christmann, Oehlke and Reps. Hawken, L. Meier, Schneider introduced:

SB 2277: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-39.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to supplemental retiree benefit payments under the teachers' fund for retirement.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Fiebiger, Bakke, Warner and Reps. Hawken, N. Johnson, Mock introduced:

SB 2278: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 14-02.4-01, 14-02.4-02, 14-02.4-03, 14-02.4-04, 14-02.4-05, 14-02.4-06, 14-02.4-09, 14-02.4-14, 14-02.4-15, 14-02.4-16, 14-02.4-17, 14-02.5-02, 14-02.5-03, 14-02.5-04, 14-02.5-05, 14-02.5-07, 14-02.5-08, 14-02.5-10, 26.1-40-11, 26.1-47-04, and 27-09.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Nething, O'Connell, Klein and Reps. Clark, Keiser, Wald introduced:

SB 2279: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 39-08-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the parties from whom a motor vehicle accident investigating officer's opinion may be obtained.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sens. Mathern, Erbele and Reps. Metcalf, Nelson, Conrad, Kerzman introduced:

SB 2280: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 26.1-36-08, a new subsection to section 26.1-36-08.1, and a new subsection to section 26.1-36-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to federally required parity for mental health and substance abuse insurance coverage.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Olafson, Nodland and Reps. Kingsbury, Wald introduced:

SB 2281: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 7 of section 6-03-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to banks serving as custodian for health savings accounts; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Olafson, J. Lee and Rep. Dahl introduced:

SB 2282: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 47-25 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to use of trade names by franchisees; and to amend and reenact sections 47-25-06.1 and 47-25-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to amendments and cancellation of trade name registrations.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Taylor, Erbele, Mathern and Reps. Hawken, Mueller, Wolf introduced:

SB 2283: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-24.1-02.6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the medical assistance eligibility requirements for pregnant women; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Krebsbach, Lindaas, Wardner and Reps. Froseth, Hunskor introduced:

SB 2284: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-02-27.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to assessment of recreation service district property; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sen. Mathern and Rep. Boucher introduced:

SB 2285: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to creation of department of commerce satellite offices on Indian reservations.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Robinson, Lindaas, Wardner and Reps. S. Kelsh, Kretschmar, Schmidt introduced:

SB 2286: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of human services for a grant to the silver-haired education association.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Krebsbach, Fiebiger, Nelson and Reps. Ekstrom, Hawken, Nottestad introduced:

SB 2287: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a medicaid family planning services waiver.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Taylor, Bakke, G. Lee and Reps. Mueller, Nelson, Wolf introduced:

SB 2288: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-21-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to instructional time requirements for high school units.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Flakoll, Freborg, J. Lee and Reps. Clark, R. Kelsch, Thoreson introduced:

SB 2289: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-19-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to corporal punishment.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Krebsbach, Flakoll, G. Lee, Nelson and Reps. Frantsvog, R. Kelsch introduced:

SB 2290: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-12-28.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to job service North Dakota reimbursement accounts.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Erbele, Dotzenrod, Wanzek and Reps. Brandenburg, D. Johnson, Onstad introduced:

SB 2291: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 17-03-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the biofuel partnership in assisting community expansion fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. Mathern, Potter and Reps. Drovdal, S. Meyer, Mock, Onstad introduced:

SB 2292: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-04-03 and subsections 1 and 2 of section 61-04-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to water permit applications and notices.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Robinson, Wanzek and Reps. Headland, Pollert introduced:

SB 2293: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 12.1-17-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the assault of state hospital employees; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Sens. Nelson, Mathern, Oehlke and Rep. Ekstrom introduced:

SB 2294: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-36 and a new section to chapter 54-52.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to health insurance coverage for telemedicine.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Anderson, Lindaas, Miller, Olafson and Reps. Frantsvog, Holman, S. Meyer, Pietsch introduced:

SB 2295: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-10-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to exceptions for small cities from political subdivision audit requirements.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Fiebiger, Bakke, Lyson and Reps. Delmore, Hawken, Myxter introduced:

SB 2296: A BILL for an Act to provide a student loan reduction for residents employed in early childhood education or child development.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Cook, Klein, Triplett and Reps. Belter, Monson, Mueller introduced:

SB 2297: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 57-33.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to taxation of generation, distribution, and transmission of electric power; to amend and reenact sections 10-13-04, 17-05-12, 49-21.1-01.1, 57-06-03, 57-06-17.3, and 57-60-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to references to assessment and imposition of taxes against centrally assessed electric power companies and taxation of rural electric cooperatives and cooperative electrical generating plants; to repeal chapters 57-33 and 57-33.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to taxation of rural electric cooperatives and cooperative electrical generating plants; to provide a penalty; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Sens. G. Lee, Anderson, Wanzek and Reps. Berg, S. Kelsh, Pollert introduced:

SB 2298: A BILL for an Act to create and enact eleven new sections to chapter 61-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authorizing revenue bonds for the Red River valley water supply project; and to amend and reenact sections 61-24-01, 61-24-08, 61-24-19, 61-39-01, and 61-39-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sen. Christmann and Rep. Grande introduced:

SB 2299: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to severed interest abstracts.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Sens. Olafson, Anderson, Andrist and Reps. Belter, Headland, Kaldor introduced:

SB 2300: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-21-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state bonding fund coverage.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Christmann, Dotzenrod, Wardner and Reps. Berg, Kreidt, Wald introduced:

SB 2301: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision b of subsection 2 of section 57-62-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to coal development fund allocations between coal-producing and non-coal-producing counties; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Bakke, Dever, Fiebiger and Reps. Kingsbury, S. Meyer, Wolf introduced:

SB 2302: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 and a new section to chapter 50-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to free tuition and continued payments for children in foster care.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Bakke, Dever, Schneider and Reps. Delmore, R. Kelsch, Potter introduced:

SB 2303: A BILL for an Act to provide for low-income student assistance grants by the state board of higher education; to provide for a report to the legislative council; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Dever, Erbele, Heckaman and Reps. N. Johnson, Kaldor, Keiser introduced:

SB 2304: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 43 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to creation of a North Dakota center for nursing board; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Sens. Erbele, Fischer, Robinson and Reps. Brandenburg, Kretschmar, Onstad introduced:

SB 2305: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state water commission for a Beaver Bay embankment feasibility study.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Fiebiger, Olafson and Reps. DeKrey, Delmore, Klemin introduced:

SB 2306: A BILL for an Act to create and enact sections 26.1-12-33, 26.1-12-34, and 26.1-12-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to rate filing procedures for mutual insurance companies that offer accident and health insurance.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sen. Potter and Rep. Wrangham introduced:

SB 2307: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 16.1-03-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to presidential preference caucuses.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Klein, Dever, Flakoll and Reps. Amerman, Brandenburg, Froseth introduced:

SB 2308: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 18-05.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to payments to a deceased firefighter's estate.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Potter, Anderson, Heckaman and Reps. DeKrey, Kaldor, Wall introduced:

SB 2309: A BILL for an Act to provide for a study of linking and improving public sites along the Sibley and Sully historic trails for historical education, heritage tourism, and access for public hunting.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Dotzenrod, Fiebiger and Reps. Amerman, DeKrey, Kretschmar introduced:

SB 2310: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 65-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to construction of workers' compensation law.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Dever, Wanzek and Reps. Delmore, Headland, Martinson introduced:

SB 2311: A BILL for an Act to provide statements of legislative intent regarding state employee compensation adjustments and state employee equity adjustments; and to provide for transfers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Nething, Dever, Wanzek and Reps. Delmore, Headland, Martinson introduced:

SB 2312: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-23.3-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to salaries of employees of the department of corrections and rehabilitation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Robinson, Krebsbach, Lindaas and Reps. J. Kelsh, Kerzman, Metcalf introduced:

SB 2313: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-04-10.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to military identification numbers on antique military vehicles.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Sen. Potter and Rep. S. Kelsh introduced:

SB 2314: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 26.1-36-37.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to accident and health insurance loss ratios.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, Flakoll, Robinson and Reps. Damschen, Kaldor, S. Kelsh introduced:

SB 2316: A BILL for an Act to provide state cost-sharing for flood control projects.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Fischer, Flakoll, Nelson and Reps. Hawken, Hofstad, Kaldor introduced:

SB 2317: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 61-24.7-01, 61-24.7-02, and 61-24.7-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the funding plan for the Red River valley water supply project.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Sens. Dever, Nelson, Oehlke and Reps. Boehning, L. Meier, Wolf introduced:

SB 2319: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-07-04, 16.1-07-06, 16.1-07-08, 16.1-07-12, 16.1-07-12.1, 16.1-07-15, 16.1-11.1-02, 16.1-11.1-05, 16.1-12-02, 16.1-12-02.2, and 16.1-12-02.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to absentee voting, mail ballot voting, certificates of nomination by petition for president, write-in votes, and certificates of nomination by petition for independent candidates.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sens. Bakke, Nelson, Oehlke and Reps. Delmore, Potter, Wall introduced:

SB 2320: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15.1-16-01, 15.1-16-07, 15.1-16-08, 15.1-16-10, 15.1-16-11, 15.1-16-12, 15.1-16-16, 15.1-16-17, and 15.1-16-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to representation and negotiation for school district employees other than teachers and administrators.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Sens. Dever, Nelson, Oehlke and Reps. L. Meier, Wolf, Boehning introduced:

SB 2324: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 16.1-01-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to qualifications of electors; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 15.1-09-11, sections 16.1-01-09, 16.1-01-09.1, 16.1-02-01, 16.1-02-02, and 16.1-02-05, subsection 2 of section 16.1-02-06, sections 16.1-02-07, 16.1-02-10, 16.1-02-13, 16.1-03-03, 16.1-03-19, 16.1-05-01, and 16.1-05-02, subsection 3 of section 16.1-05-04, sections 16.1-05-06, 16.1-09-02, 16.1-10-04.1, 16.1-11-06, 16.1-13-32, 16.1-15-15, 16.1-15-16, 16.1-15-34, 16.1-16-01, and 40-09-03, subsection 1 of section 40-21-02, sections 40-21-07 and 44-08-21, and subsection 2 of section 57-40.6-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to absentee ballot deadlines for schools, initiative petitions, recall petitions, central voter file, political party organization, appointment of election judges and poll clerks, voter affidavits, statement of interests, political advertising disclaimers, certificates of endorsement, candidate petitions, spoiled ballot retention, canvassing boards, recounts, and city elections.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Sen. Cook and Reps. Drovdal, Weiler introduced:

SB 2325: A BILL for an Act to create and enact three new subsections to section 57-39.2-01, subsection 9 to section 57-39.4-06, sections 57-39.4-11.1 and 57-39.4-14.1, subsection 4 to section 57-39.4-32, and sections 57-39.4-33.1 and 57-39.4-33.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the streamlined sales tax agreement; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 57-39.2-02.1, subsection 2 of section 57-39.2-04, subdivision a of subsection 26 of section 57-39.2-04, subdivision c of subsection 3 of section 57-39.2-04.1, section 57-39.4-05, subdivision d of subsection 2 of section 57-39.4-10, subsection 1 of section 57-39.4-11, subsection 4 of section 57-39.4-22, section 57-39.4-23, subsection 3 of section 57-39.4-28, sections 57-39.4-29 and

57-39.4-35, subsection 1 of section 57-40.2-01, subdivision a of subsection 12 of section 57-40.2-04, and subdivision c of subsection 3 of section 57-40.2-04.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the streamlined sales and use tax agreement; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

FIRST READING OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

Sens. Heckaman, Wardner and Reps. Hunskor, L. Meier, Wolf introduced:

SCR 4006: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study professional development opportunities for teachers and the most effective and efficient methods of providing professional development opportunities.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

The Senate stood adjourned pursuant to Senator Christmann's motion.

Fran A. Gronberg, Secretary

