

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-35-18 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the energy development and transmission committee.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-35-18 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **54-35-18. (~~Effective through August 1, 2011~~) Energy development and transmission**  
7 **committee.**

8 The legislative management, during each biennium, shall appoint an energy development  
9 and transmission committee in the same manner as the legislative management appoints other  
10 interim committees. The legislative management shall appoint six members of the house of  
11 representatives, four of whom must be from the majority political party and two of whom must  
12 be from the minority political party, and six members of the senate, four of whom must be from  
13 the majority political party and two of whom must be from the minority political party. The  
14 chairman of the legislative management shall designate the chairman of the committee. The  
15 committee shall operate according to the statutes and procedure governing the operation of  
16 other legislative management interim committees. The committee shall study the impact of a  
17 comprehensive energy policy for the state and the development of each facet of the energy  
18 industry, from the obtaining of the raw natural resource to the sale of the final product in this  
19 state, other states, and other countries. The study may include the review of and  
20 recommendations relating to policy affecting extraction, generation, processing, transmission,  
21 transportation, marketing, distribution, and use of energy, ~~and the taxation of shallow gas to~~  
22 ~~reduce energy costs for all North Dakota residents.~~