

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study of statutes of limitation and  
2 venue requirements for civil actions in North Dakota.

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

4 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - STATUTES OF LIMITATION AND**  
5 **VENUE REQUIREMENTS FOR CIVIL ACTIONS.** During the 2011-12 interim, the legislative  
6 management shall consider studying statutes of limitation and venue requirements for civil  
7 actions in North Dakota. The study must include a review of the limitation on the length of time  
8 that has passed since a cause of action arose and whether the time limitations in current law  
9 remain appropriate or should be changed, and the extent to which claims are filed in North  
10 Dakota courts for claims otherwise prohibited in other states due to the relevant statute of  
11 limitation having expired. The study also must review the venue requirements for bringing a civil  
12 action in North Dakota and whether the venue requirements should be amended to limit claims  
13 being brought in this state by nonresidents who have no connection to this state. The legislative  
14 management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation  
15 required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-third legislative assembly.