

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Tribal and State Relations Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-35-23 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to extension of the committee on tribal and state relations.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-35-23 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **54-35-23. (Effective through July 31, 20132015) Committee on tribal and state**  
7 **relations - Membership - Duties.**

8 1. The committee on tribal and state relations is composed of seven members as follows:

9 a. A chairman designated by the chairman of the legislative management;

10 b. Three members of the house of representatives, two of whom must be selected  
11 by the leader representing the majority faction of the house of representatives  
12 and one of whom must be selected by the leader representing the minority  
13 faction of the house of representatives; and

14 c. Three members of the senate, two of whom must be selected by the leader  
15 representing the majority faction of the senate and one of whom must be  
16 selected by the leader representing the minority faction of the senate.

17 2. The committee shall meet at such times and places as determined by the chairman.  
18 The legislative council shall provide staffing for the committee.

19 3. The committee shall conduct joint meetings with the North Dakota tribal governments'  
20 task force to study tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations,  
21 human services, education, corrections, and issues related to the promotion of  
22 economic development. ~~During the 2011-12 interim, the committee also shall study~~  
23 ~~whether the members of the North Dakota tribal governments' task force should be~~  
24 ~~voting members of the committee.~~ After the joint meetings have concluded, the

1           committee shall meet to prepare a report on its findings and recommendations,  
2           together with any legislation required to implement those recommendations, to the  
3           legislative management.

4           4.   The members of the committee are entitled to compensation from the legislative  
5           council for attendance at committee meetings at the rate provided for members of the  
6           legislative assembly for attendance at interim committee meetings and are entitled to  
7           reimbursement for expenses incurred in attending the meetings in the amounts  
8           provided by law for other state officers.

9           5.   a.   The North Dakota tribal governments' task force is composed of six members as  
10          follows:

11           (1)   The executive director of the Indian affairs commission, or the executive  
12           director's designee;

13           (2)   The chairman of the Standing Rock Sioux Tribe, or the chairman's  
14           designee;

15           (3)   The chairman of the Spirit Lake Tribe, or the chairman's designee;

16           (4)   The chairman of the Three Affiliated Tribes of the Fort Berthold Reservation,  
17           or the chairman's designee;

18           (5)   The chairman of the Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indians, or the  
19           chairman's designee; and

20           (6)   The chairman of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse  
21           Reservation, or the chairman's designee.

22          b.   If the executive director of the Indian affairs commission or any of the tribal  
23          chairmen appoint a designee to serve on the task force, only one individual may  
24          serve as that designee during the biennium. A substitute designee may be  
25          appointed by the executive director of the Indian affairs commission or a tribal  
26          chairman in the event of the death, incapacity, resignation, or refusal to serve of  
27          the initial designee.