

HOUSE BILL NO. 1268

Introduced by

Representative M. Nelson

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-02 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the board of university and school lands informing counties of the
3 boundaries of sovereign lands within each county for correct determination of the taxable status
4 of property.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 57-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
7 and enacted as follows:

8 **Sovereign land boundary determination.**

- 9 1. By July 1, 2016, the board of university and school lands shall provide to the director
10 of tax equalization of each county in which sovereign lands of the state exist adequate
11 information and maps to identify with precision the boundaries of sovereign lands in
12 the county.
- 13 2. When the information and maps required by this section have been received, the
14 county director of tax equalization shall promptly apply the information to correctly
15 identify and assess the property abutting sovereign lands within the county.
- 16 3. By July first of every fourth year after 2016, the board of university and school lands
17 shall provide updated information required by this section to the director of tax
18 equalization of each county containing waters of the Devils Lake Basin and of each
19 other county in which variations in boundaries of sovereign lands of the state have
20 occurred because of frequent or substantial changes in water levels.