

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1360**

Introduced by

Representatives Bosch, Lefor, Nathe, Sanford

Senators Bakke, Bekkedahl, D. Larson, Oban

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 40-49-14 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to bid requirements for park districts; and to declare an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 40-49-14 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **40-49-14. When ye and nay vote taken - ~~Letting~~Awarding contracts - Debt limit -**  
7 **Bills, claims, and demands against board.**

8 1. Yea and nay votes must be taken on all propositions involving the expenditure of  
9 money, levying of taxes, or the issuance of bonds or certificates of indebtedness.  
10 Approval of an expenditure of money must be recorded in the record of the board's  
11 proceedings and is sufficient to indicate approval without requiring the members to  
12 sign or initial the voucher or order for payment. Except as provided in chapter 48-01.2,  
13 in an emergency situation, or when the contract is for the purchase of equipment  
14 through the office of management and budget as provided in chapter 54-44.4, all  
15 contracts exceeding ~~twenty-five~~fifty thousand dollars must be ~~let~~awarded to the lowest  
16 responsible bidder after advertisement in the official newspaper of the municipality  
17 once each week for two successive weeks. The board may reject any or all bids. All  
18 contracts must be in writing and must be signed by the president of the board or a  
19 designated representative and unless so executed, they shall be void. The debt of a  
20 park district may not exceed one percent of the taxable property within the district  
21 according to the last preceding assessment. No bill, claim, account, or demand  
22 against the district may be audited, allowed, or paid until a full, written, itemized  
23 statement has been filed with the governing body or unless otherwise authorized by  
24 the governing body pursuant to contract or other action. The governing body may

