Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1392

Introduced by

Representatives Zubke, Dockter, Nathe, Westlind

Senator Bekkedahl

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 44-04-18.29 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to confidentiality of records received by the board of university and school lands; and to
- 3 provide a penalty.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

5 SECTION 1. Section 44-04-18.29 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted
6 as follows:

7 <u>44-04-18.29. Information received for audits by the board of university and school</u>

- 8 lands.
- 9 <u>A record received by the board of university and school lands from a private entity for</u>

10 purposes of the board's audit of the entity's coal, oil, gas, or other royalty payments to the board

11 is confidential. However, the board may disclose the record as necessary in an audit report or to-

- 12 <u>enforce the terms of the board's lease</u>furnish information to the attorney general, other state
- 13 agencies, a prosecuting official requiring the information for use in the prosecuting official's
- 14 official duties, or for legislative investigations under chapter 54-03.2. Confidential information
- 15 <u>furnished by the board to any third party under this section remains confidential while in the</u>
- 16 possession of the third party. Confidential information received by the board from any third party
- 17 under this section remains confidential while in the possession of the board.