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The House convened at 12:30 p.m., with Speaker K. Koppelman presiding.

The prayer was offered by Pastor Alan L. Hathaway, Riverdale Community Church, Riverdale.

The roll was called and all members were present except Representatives Hoverson, Stemen, and Toman.

A quorum was declared by the Speaker.

SIXTH ORDER OF BUSINESS

SPEAKER K. KOPPELMAN DEEMED approval of the amendments to Engrossed SB 2059 and SB 2123.

Engrossed SB 2059 and SB 2123, as amended, were placed on the Fourteenth order of business on the calendar for the succeeding legislative day.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HCR 3037: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the feasibility and desirability of using legacy fund earnings to provide a primary residence property tax credit.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final adoption of the resolution, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS. The roll was called and there were 42 YEAS, 48 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Becker; Bellew; Boe; Bosch; Christensen; Cory; Delzer; Dockter; Ertelt; Fegley; Fisher; Jones; Kading; Kasper; Koppelman, B.; Lefor; Louser; Magrum; Marschall; Meier; Owens; Paulson; Paur; Richter; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Schatz; Schauer; Schmidt; Schobinger; Skroch; Steiner; Strinden; Thomas; Trottier; Vetter; Weisz; Speaker Koppelman, K.

NAYS: Adams; Anderson, P.; Beltz; Boschee; Brandenburg; Buffalo; Damschen; Devlin; Dobervich; Guggisberg; Hager; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heinert; Howe; Ista; Johnson, D.; Johnson, M.; Karls; Keiser; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Kreidt; Longmuir; Martinson; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Nathe; Nehring; Nelson, J.; Nelson, M.; O'Brien; Ostlie; Pollert; Porter; Pyle; Roers Jones; Satrom; Schneider; Schreiber-Beck; Tveit; Vigesaa; Westlind; Zubke

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hoverson; Stemen; Toman

HCR 3037 was declared lost on a recorded roll call vote.

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SECOND READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HCR 3039: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying student internships and compensation for student interns.

The question being on the final adoption of the resolution, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO NOT PASS.

HCR 3039 was declared lost on a voice vote.

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SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2151: A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study related to uninsured drivers.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 82 YEAS, 9 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Adams; Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, P.; Becker; Beltz; Boe; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Buffalo; Cory; Damschen; Devlin; Dobervich; Dockter; Fegley; Fisher; Guggisberg; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heinert; Howe; Ista; Johnson, D.; Johnson, M.; Jones; Kading; Karls; Kasper; Keiser; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman, B.; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Marschall; Martinson; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Nathe; Nehring; Nelson, J.; Nelson, M.; O'Brien; Ostlie; Owens; Paulson; Paur; Pollert; Porter; Pyle; Richter; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schauer; Schmidt; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Skroch; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Thomas; Trottier; Tveit; Vetter; Westlind; Zubke; Speaker Koppelman, K.

NAYS: Bellew; Christensen; Delzer; Ertelt; Hager; Magrum; Schatz; Vigesaa; Weisz

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hoverson; Toman

Engrossed SB 2151 passed.

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SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2287: A BILL for an Act to provide for an insurance commissioner study of lignite coal industry insurance; and to provide for a report to the legislative management.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 87 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Adams; Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Anderson, P.; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Boschee; Brandenburg; Buffalo; Christensen; Cory; Damschen; Delzer; Devlin; Dobervich; Dockter; Fegley; Fisher; Guggisberg; Hager; Hagert; Hanson; Hatlestad; Headland; Heinert; Howe; Ista; Johnson, D.; Johnson, M.; Jones; Kading; Karls; Kasper; Keiser; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman, B.; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Magrum; Marschall; Martinson; Meier; Mitskog; Mock; Monson; Nathe; Nehring; Nelson, J.; Nelson, M.; O'Brien; Ostlie; Owens; Paulson; Paur; Pollert; Porter; Pyle; Richter; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schmidt; Schneider; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Skroch; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Thomas; Trottier; Tveit; Vetter; Vigesaa; Weisz; Westlind; Zubke; Speaker Koppelman, K.

NAYS: Becker; Boe; Ertelt

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hoverson; Kempenich; Toman

SB 2287 passed.

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MOTION

REP. WEISZ MOVED that the House do reconsider Joint Rule 805, which motion prevailed on a verification vote.

REPORT OF PROCEDURAL COMMITTEE

MR. SPEAKER: Your procedural **Rules Committee (Rep. Pollert, Chairman)** recommends

that Joint Rule 805 be amended as follows and the amendment become effective after the end of all legislative business on March 12, 2021.

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Joint Rule 805 is amended as follows:

805. Public health.

1. ~~Except as provided in subsection 2, each~~Each individual in an area of the Capitol complex controlled by the Legislative Assembly, other than the chambers, shall wear a face mask or shield covering the nose and mouth completely~~, although the face mask or shield may be lowered or removed while speaking on the floor of the chamber after the member is recognized by the presiding officer~~. Areas controlled by the Legislative Assembly include ~~the legislative chambers,~~ committee rooms, Memorial Hall, Legislative Hall, the Legislative Council office, and any additional space the Legislative Assembly acquires for its use.

~~2.~~ ~~When~~ However, while social distancing is maintained without exception, a member may remove the member's face mask or shield ~~in areas of the Capitol complex controlled by the Legislative Assembly. However, a face mask or shield must be worn by each member during floor sessions and for at least thirty minutes before and after each floor session at which the members are physically present~~. "Social distancing" means remaining at least six feet from all other individuals.

2. The Majority Leader of the House of Representatives or the Majority Leader of the Senate may reinstate the requirement to wear a face mask or shield under subsection 1 for that Majority Leader's respective chamber if the Majority Leader determines circumstances warrant the reinstatement.

3. Notwithstanding subsection ~~2~~1, a committee chairman may ~~require~~decide whether each individual in the chairman's committee room is required to wear a face mask or shield covering the nose and mouth completely, although a face mask or shield may be lowered or removed by an individual recognized by the chairman while the individual is addressing the committee during a meeting.

4. Consistent with the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines, it is recommended that members of the Legislative Assembly and legislative branch employees complete a health self assessment before arriving at the Capitol complex and undergo rapid testing for SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) when the testing is offered at the Capitol complex. Members of the Legislative Assembly and legislative branch employees shall submit to a temperature screening upon entering the Capitol complex. A member of the Legislative Assembly who has a temperature reading of 100.4 or greater or who is experiencing any symptoms of ~~Coronavirus (COVID-19)~~ COVID-19 shall report the temperature reading or existence of the symptoms to the member's party leader or designee immediately and comply with the protocols established jointly by the Majority and Minority Leaders. A legislative branch employee who has a temperature reading of 100.4 or greater or who is experiencing any symptoms of COVID-19 shall report the temperature reading or existence of the symptoms to the director of the Legislative Council or the director's designee.

REP. WEISZ MOVED that the report be adopted.

ROLL CALL

The question being that the House do amend Joint Rule 805, the roll was called and there were 79 YEAS, 11 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Adams; Anderson, B.; Anderson, D.; Becker; Bellew; Beltz; Bosch; Brandenburg; Christensen; Cory; Damschen; Delzer; Devlin; Dockter; Ertelt; Fegley; Fisher; Guggisberg; Hagert; Hatlestad; Headland; Heinert; Howe; Ista; Johnson, D.; Johnson, M.; Jones; Kading; Karls; Kasper; Keiser; Kiefert; Koppelman, B.; Kreidt; Lefor; Longmuir; Louser; Magrum; Marschall; Martinson; Meier; Mock; Monson; Nathe; Nehring; Nelson, J.; Nelson, M.; O'Brien; Ostlie; Owens; Paulson; Paur; Pollert; Porter; Pyle; Richter; Roers Jones; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Ruby, M.; Sanford; Satrom; Schatz; Schauer; Schmidt; Schobinger; Schreiber-Beck; Skroch; Steiner; Stemen; Strinden; Thomas; Trottier; Tveit; Vetter; Vigesaa; Weisz; Westlind;

Speaker Koppelman, K.

NAYS: Anderson, P.; Boe; Boschee; Buffalo; Dobervich; Hager; Hanson; Klemin; Mitskog; Schneider; Zubke

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Hoverson; Kempenich; Toman

The motion prevailed on a recorded roll call vote.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)
MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, unchanged: HB 1036, HB 1047, HB 1048, HB 1049, HB 1050, HB 1053, HB 1057, HB 1058, HB 1060, HB 1062, HB 1077, HB 1084, HB 1089, HB 1091, HB 1092, HB 1097, HB 1098, HB 1101.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)
MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, unchanged: HCR 3001.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)
MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, the emergency clause carried, unchanged: HB 1039, HB 1086.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)
MR. PRESIDENT: Your signature is respectfully requested on: HB 1026, HB 1029, HB 1038, HB 1040, HB 1044, HB 1046, HB 1052, HB 1055, HB 1061, HB 1066, HB 1068, HB 1069, HB 1070, HB 1085, HB 1102.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)
MR. SPEAKER: The President has signed: HB 1026, HB 1029, HB 1038, HB 1040, HB 1044, HB 1046, HB 1052, HB 1055, HB 1061, HB 1066, HB 1068, HB 1069, HB 1070, HB 1085, HB 1102.

DELIVERY OF ENROLLED BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS
The following resolution was delivered to the Secretary of State for filing on March 5, 2021: HR 5001.

MOTION
REP. LOUSER MOVED that the absent members be excused, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

MOTION
REP. LOUSER MOVED that the House be on the Fourth, Fifth, Ninth, and Thirteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the House stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Monday, March 8, 2021, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HCR 3044: Human Services Committee (Rep. Weisz, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** and **BE PLACED ON THE CONSENT CALENDAR** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3044 was placed on the Tenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
SB 2027: Transportation Committee (Rep. D. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2027 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
SB 2056: Transportation Committee (Rep. D. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2056 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
SB 2081: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Porter, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2081 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2094: Transportation Committee (Rep. D. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2094 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2109: Transportation Committee (Rep. D. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2109 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2114: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. Kasper, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2114 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2115: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. Kasper, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2115 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2135: Human Services Committee (Rep. Weisz, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2135 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2157: Political Subdivisions Committee (Rep. Dockter, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (10 YEAS, 1 NAY, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2157 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2201, as engrossed: Political Subdivisions Committee (Rep. Dockter, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (9 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2201 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2211, as engrossed: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Rep. Porter, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2211 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2216: Agriculture Committee (Rep. D. Johnson, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2216 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 3, after "operations" insert "; and to declare an emergency"

Page 1, after line 14, insert:

"**SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2250: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Rep. Kasper, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2250 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

FIRST READING OF SENATE BILLS

SB 2002: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the judicial branch; to amend and reenact sections 14-08.1-08, 14-09-08.1, 14-09-08.2, 14-09-09.29, 14-09-26, 27-02-02, and 27-05-03 and subsection 2 of section 50-09-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to clerk of court

responsibilities regarding child support, salaries of justices of the supreme court, and salaries of district court judges; to provide for a report; to provide a statement of legislative intent; and to provide an exemption.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2003: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota university system; to create and enact section 15-18.2-06.1 and a new chapter to title 15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a higher education funding formula minimum amount payable and a university system capital building fund; to amend and reenact subdivision k of subsection 1 of section 15-18.2-02, and sections 15-18.2-03, 15-18.2-05, and 54-44.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the higher education funding formula and the cancellation of unexpended appropriations; to amend and reenact section 2 of chapter 53 of the 2019 Session Laws, relating to appropriations for higher education capital projects; to repeal section 15-18.2-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the institutional size factor of the higher education funding formula; to provide for a transfer; to provide for a report; to provide an exemption; to provide for a study; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2004: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state department of health; to amend and reenact section 23-01-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to compensation of members of the health council; to provide for a report; and to provide for a legislative management study.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2011: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the highway patrol; to provide a report; and to provide for a transfer.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2014: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the industrial commission and the agencies under its control; to create and enact a new section to chapter 6-09.4 and subsections 7 and 8 of section 54-17-07.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to bonded debt repayments and housing finance agency programs; to amend and reenact sections 6-09-49, 6-09.4-06, 6-09.4-10, 6-09.16-02, 6-09.16-03, 6-09.16-05, 15-11-40, 50-30-04, 54-17-40, and 57-51.1-07.9 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating the infrastructure revolving loan fund, borrowing and lending authority of the public finance authority, reserve funds associated with bonds, the long-term care facility loan fund, the state energy research center, and the housing incentive fund; to provide a continuing appropriation; to repeal section 54-17-07.12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the housing finance agency participating as a wholesale servicing mortgage lender; to provide for a transfer; to provide an exemption; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide for a study; and to provide for a legislative management report.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2015: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of corrections and rehabilitation; to provide for a report; and to provide an exemption.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2018: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of commerce; to provide an appropriation to the department of transportation; to create and enact a new section to chapter 4.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the transfer of the international business and trade office from the department of commerce to the agriculture commissioner; to amend and reenact section 54-60-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the unmanned aircraft systems program fund; to repeal section 54-60-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the international business and trade office; to provide a continuing appropriation; to provide for a transfer; to provide for a report; and to provide an exemption.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2020: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota state university extension service, northern crops institute, upper great plains transportation institute, main research center, branch research centers, and agronomy seed farm; to provide for a report; and to provide an exemption.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2021: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the information technology department; to provide a transfer; to provide for a report; to provide an exemption; and to provide for a statement of legislative intent.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2030: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state board of higher education for the higher education challenge matching grant program; to create and enact paragraph 3 of subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48 and paragraph 3 of subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 15-10-49 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to institution eligibility for a matching grant for the advancement of academics; and to amend and reenact subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48, subdivision a of subsection 1 of section 15-10-49, subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 15-10-49, and subdivision a of subsection 2 of section 15-10-49 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to matching grants for the advancement of academics.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2121: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-21-41.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to safety belt usage; to repeal section 39-21-41.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to secondary enforcement of safety belt requirements; and to provide a penalty.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

SB 2139: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 40-63-01, 40-63-02, 40-63-03, 40-63-04, 40-63-05, 40-63-06, 40-63-07, and 40-63-10, and subdivision b of subsection 7 of section 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of neighborhood zones and neighborhood zone incentives; and to provide an effective date.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

SB 2217: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 47-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the deduction or recovery of losses incurred in the sale or disposition of natural gas from the proceeds of oil production; and to provide for a legislative management study.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**.

SB 2237: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 23.1-06-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to limitations on regulation of coal-fueled electric generating units; to provide a penalty; and to declare an emergency.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**.

SB 2238: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 23.1-06-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state regional haze plan; to provide a penalty; and to declare an emergency.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**.

SB 2245: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of commerce for an intermodal transportation assistance program.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2249: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-51.1-07.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to deposits of the state's share of oil and gas taxes; and to provide an effective date.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

SB 2272: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 15-10-38.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to administrative fees retained by the state board of higher education; to amend and reenact sections 15-10-38.1 and 15-10-38.2 of the North Dakota Century Code and sections 3 and 4 of chapter 136 of the 2019 Session

Laws, relating to the skilled workforce student loan repayment program and skilled workforce scholarship program; to provide a continuing appropriation; to provide for a transfer; to provide an effective date; and to provide an expiration date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

SB 2275: A BILL for an Act to provide for an appropriation to the department of human services relating to a director for the task force on prevention of sexual abuse of children.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SB 2289: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of a North Dakota scholarship; to amend and reenact sections 15-10-59, 15.1-21-02.6, 15.1-21-02.8, and 15.1-21-02.9 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to references to the North Dakota scholarship, North Dakota academic scholarship, and North Dakota career and technical education scholarship; to repeal sections 15.1-21-02.4 and 15.1-21-02.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the North Dakota academic and career and technical education scholarships; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

SB 2291: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 21-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to social investments made by the state investment board; to provide for a department of commerce study of the implications of complete divestment of companies that boycott energy or commodities; to provide for reports to legislative management; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**.

SB 2313: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 17-05-05 and 17-05-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers of the transmission authority and the transmission authority's reporting requirements; and to repeal chapter 17-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the 25x'25 initiative.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**.

SB 2324: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 24-03-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to installation of culverts.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

SB 2329: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 39-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of an authorized emergency vehicle.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

SB 2344: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 37-17.1-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to governmental regulation of firearms and ammunition; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

FIRST READING OF SENATE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

SCR 4001: A concurrent resolution authorizing the Budget Section of the Legislative Management to hold the required legislative hearings on state plans for the receipt and expenditure of new or revised block grants passed by Congress.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

SCR 4009: A concurrent resolution recognizing the cooperative efforts of the rotary clubs and districts, and the citizens of multiple states from southern Texas to the far northern reaches of North Dakota and Saskatchewan, in the completion of marking the North Dakota segment of the Great Western Cattle Trail on June 27, 2021, and acknowledging the legendary role of the Great Western Cattle Trail in the history of the United States.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

SCR 4012: A concurrent resolution to establish a state policy to support the reliability and resilience of the electric grid, ensure price transparency to consumers in electric markets, and incentivize carbon capture utilization and storage as an alternative to

preserve dispatchable thermal electric generation and its associated benefits.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**.

SCR 4013: A concurrent resolution urging Congress to pass the North Dakota Trust Lands Completion Act.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee**.

The House stood adjourned pursuant to Representative Louser's motion.

Buell J. Reich, Chief Clerk