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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1485

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-66 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to legislative assembly conflict of interest rules; to provide for application; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 54-66 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Conflicts of interest - Legislative assembly.

1. Each legislative assembly shall adopt conflict of interest rules. The rules must:
 - a. Require the disclosure by a member of a potential conflict of interest relating to any bill in which the member may have a direct, unique, substantial, or individual interest.
 - b. Ensure a mechanism is in place to record each disclosure and make it readily available to the public.
2. If the legislative assembly adopts rules under subsection 1 which are at least as restrictive as the conflict of interest rules adopted by the ethics commission, the disclosure process portion of the conflict of interest rules adopted by the ethics commission may not apply to members of the legislative assembly.

SECTION 2. APPLICATION. House Rule 321, Senate Rule 321, and associated rules relating to conflicts of interest of legislators, as enacted by the sixty-eighth legislative assembly, are at least as restrictive as the conflict of interest rules adopted by the ethics commission and control conflict of interest disclosure for members of the legislative assembly.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly