

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1311
(Representatives Satrom, Brandenburg, Grueneich, Ostlie)
(Senators Conley, Erbele)

AN ACT to provide for a legislative management study, relating to volunteer emergency responder recruitment and retention.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY RESPONDER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION. During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying volunteer emergency responder recruitment and retention. The study must consider recruitment and retention challenges related to volunteer emergency responders, including firefighters, emergency or disaster volunteers, and community emergency response team members, and identify strategies for encouraging volunteerism. The study also must include input from stakeholders, including disaster emergency organizations, nonprofit associations, representatives of law enforcement, emergency medical service providers, and state and local agencies, departments, and institutions. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1311.

House Vote: Yeas 85 Nays 3 Absent 6

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 1 Absent 2

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2025,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State