

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Senate Amendments**

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1197

Introduced by

Representatives Frelich, Mitskog, Monson, K. Anderson, Schreiber-Beck, Wagner

Senators Luick, Myrdal, Davison, Mathern, Meyer, Sorvaag

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study of correctional facilities.

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

3 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - CORRECTIONAL FACILITIES.**

4 During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative management shall study jails and regional
5 correctional centers, including their current and projected infrastructure needs, the costs and
6 benefits of regional correctional facilities, the impacts of deferred admission, and the
7 prioritization of inmates sentenced to the department of corrections and rehabilitation. The study
8 must include input from representatives of counties with a population of seven thousand five
9 hundred or more, representatives of counties with a population of fewer than seven thousand
10 five hundred, representatives of local law enforcement officials, representatives of the
11 department of corrections and rehabilitation, representatives of the office of management and
12 budget, and representatives of the attorney general. The legislative management shall report its
13 findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the
14 recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.