

HOUSE BILL NO. 1374

Introduced by

Representatives Klemin, Fegley, Warrey

Senator Barta

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-04 and a new section to
2 chapter 58-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an open meeting exemption for a
3 board of township supervisors when conducting an onsite inspection.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Township onsite inspections - Exemption.**

8 An onsite inspection conducted under section 2 of this Act is an exempt meeting.

9 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 58-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
10 and enacted as follows:

11 **Onsite inspections - Exempt meeting.**

12 If a township officer or the staff of the township is unable to perform an onsite inspection to
13 execute a power afforded to a township officer under this title, or the board of township
14 supervisors is serving as the township officers and the staff of the township, a gathering of the
15 members of a board of township supervisors to conduct an onsite inspection is an exempt
16 meeting as defined under section 44-04-17.1. The board of township supervisors shall make
17 good-faith efforts to provide notice of the inspections to each news medium that has filed a
18 written request for notice if the request includes the news medium's telephone number. The
19 notice must be given by telephone or by any other method used to notify the members of the
20 public body.