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Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

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 and enacted as follows:
- 7 <u>Township onsite inspections Exemption.</u>
- 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
- 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
- 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.