

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

SENATE BILL NO. 2396

Introduced by

Senators Weston, Boehm, Hogue, Paulson

Representatives Steiner, Tveit

1 | A BILL for an Act to provide for a performance audit of the department of commerce and the
2 | North Dakota development fund; and to provide an appropriation.

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

4 | **SECTION 1. PERFORMANCE AUDIT - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND NORTH**
5 | **DAKOTA DEVELOPMENT FUND.** The legislative management shall contract with an
6 | out-of-state and independent third party for the completion of a performance audit of the
7 | department of commerce and the North Dakota development fund. for the biennium beginning
8 | July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The chairman of the legislative management shall
9 | arrange for the audit and by August 30, 2026, receive the audit report. The performance audit
10 | must address the economy, efficiency, and effectiveness of the economic development
11 | programs at the department of commerce and the North Dakota development fund relative to
12 | industry best practices criteria for the years 2020 to 2024 by examining internal processes,
13 | controls, and results to identify areas for improvement and provide recommendations for
14 | corrective actions.

15 | **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT - PERFORMANCE**
16 | **AUDIT - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE AND NORTH DAKOTA DEVELOPMENT FUND.**
17 | There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise
18 | appropriated, the sum of \$350,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the
19 | legislative management for the purpose of contracting for a performance audit of the

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- 2 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.