

January 29, 2025

Sixty-ninth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO**

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1002**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the  
2 secretary of state ~~and public printing~~; and to amend and reenact sections 46-03-11, 46-04-01,  
3 46-04-03, 46-04-04, 46-04-10, 46-04-14, 46-04-18, and 46-04-19 of the North Dakota Century  
4 Code, relating to public printing.

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

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and  
9 federal funds, to the secretary of state for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the  
10 secretary of state and public printing, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending  
11 June 30, 2027, as follows:

~~SECRETARY OF STATE~~

~~Subdivision 1.~~

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
15 Salaries and wages	\$6,366,407	\$0	\$6,366,407
17 Operating expenses	4,984,331	0	4,984,331
18 Grants	25,000	0	25,000
19 Petition review	8,000	0	8,000
20 Election reform	<u>4,830,808</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>4,830,808</u>

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1	Total all funds	\$16,214,546	\$0	\$16,214,546
2	Less other funds	<u>9,344,171</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>9,344,171</u>
3	Total general fund	\$6,870,375	\$0	\$6,870,375
4	Full-time equivalent positions	35.00	0.00	35.00
5	<del>Subdivision 2.</del>			
6	<del>SECRETARY OF STATE - PUBLIC PRINTING</del>			
7	<del>Adjustments or</del>			
8		<del>Base Level</del>	<del>Enhancements</del>	<del>Appropriation</del>
9	<del>Public printing</del>	<del>\$271,335</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$271,335</del>
10	<del>Total general fund</del>	<del>\$271,335</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$271,335</del>
11	<del>Subdivision 3</del>			
12	<del>TOTAL - SECTION 1</del>			
13	<del>Adjustments or</del>			
14		<del>Base Level</del>	<del>Enhancements</del>	<del>Appropriation</del>
15	<del>Grand total all funds</del>	<del>\$16,485,881</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$16,485,881</del>
16	<del>Grand total other funds</del>	<del>9,344,171</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>9,344,171</del>
17	<del>Grand total general fund</del>	<del>\$7,141,710</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$7,141,710</del>

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-03-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**46-03-11. Publication of session laws and pocket supplements.**

The ~~secretary of state and the~~ legislative council shall correct ministerial or clerical errors and supervise the publication of the session laws and pocket part supplements to this code in a manner and form prescribed by the legislative council, correlating each year's laws with this code.

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-04-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**46-04-01. Official distribution of state laws - ~~Secretary of state~~ Legislative council to control.**

Each member of the legislative assembly ~~and each~~, constitutional officer of the state, and ~~each~~ judge of the supreme and district courts for the use of their respective offices and departments is entitled to receive from the state a copy of any publication of the laws of the

1 state and of any compilation or codification ~~thereof~~of the laws of the state published under  
2 authority of the state. The district court in every county in the state is entitled to a copy of  
3 ~~such~~the publications. The codification of laws of the state received by each member of the  
4 legislative assembly is subject to section 54-03-23. The ~~secretary of state~~legislative council  
5 shall designate other offices and agencies of the state that are entitled to receive copies of ~~any~~  
6 ~~such~~a publication of the laws for the use of ~~such~~the state offices and agencies and also shall  
7 determine the number of copies of any publication to be received by any recipient in a  
8 distribution under the provisions of this section, if more than one copy is needed by ~~such~~the  
9 recipient for official use. All agencies that are funded entirely from special state funds or federal  
10 funds must be charged for the actual cost of each copy of ~~such~~the publications that the agency  
11 requests.

12 **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-04-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
13 amended and reenacted as follows:

14 **46-04-03. Distribution of session laws, compilations, and codifications by ~~secretary~~**  
15 **~~of state~~legislative council.**

16 The ~~secretary of state, as soon as conveniently can be done after~~legislative council shall  
17 distribute as provided in sections 46-04-01 and 46-04-02 the publication of any session laws,  
18 compilations, or codifications, ~~shall cause copies thereof to be distributed as provided in~~  
19 ~~sections 46-04-01 and 46-04-02~~and copies of those documents, as soon as practicable. The  
20 ~~secretary of state, in addition,~~legislative council shall furnish to the legislative assembly ~~such~~  
21 additional copies as ~~are~~ necessary upon resolution of the respective branches or committees  
22 ~~thereof~~of the legislative assembly and shall furnish to each member of the legislative assembly,  
23 upon ~~demand therefor~~request, ~~such~~ current volumes of laws ~~as have not been~~ obtained by the  
24 member through service in previous sessions.

25 **SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-04-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
26 amended and reenacted as follows:

27 **46-04-04. Session laws, compilations, and codifications remain property of state.**

28 Except as otherwise provided by law, each copy of laws, compilations, or codifications  
29 furnished to any officer, department, or agency of the state, or to the legislative assembly, its  
30 officers, or committees is ~~and must remain~~ the property of the state and must be surrendered to  
31 the ~~secretary of state~~legislative council or to the recipient's successor in office.

1       **SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-04-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
2 amended and reenacted as follows:

3       **46-04-10. Duties of ~~secretary of state~~legislative council - Exchange of laws with other**  
4 **states.**

5       The ~~secretary of state~~legislative council may distribute copies of all laws passed by each  
6 legislative assembly and all compilations or codifications of ~~the same, whenever it seems-~~  
7 ~~desirable~~laws passed by each legislative assembly:

- 8       1. In exchange for like publications of other states.
- 9       2. To replace copies lost or damaged in official use.
- 10      3. To provide copies as needed to state officers, boards, commissions, institutions, or  
11       agencies of the state.
- 12      4. To provide copies as needed to the national conference of commissioners on uniform  
13       state laws.

14      **SECTION 7. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-04-14 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
15 amended and reenacted as follows:

16      **46-04-14. ~~Secretary of state~~Legislative council to forward laws to counties.**

17      As soon as the laws of each session of the legislative assembly are printed and ready for  
18 distribution, the ~~secretary of state~~legislative council shall forward ~~those~~the laws to which each  
19 county is entitled to the county auditor of the county.

20      **SECTION 8. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-04-18 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
21 amended and reenacted as follows:

22      **46-04-18. ~~Secretary of state~~Legislative council to sell certain laws.**

23      During the biennium immediately after publication, the ~~secretary of state~~legislative council  
24 ~~must~~shall sell copies of the session laws for the cost of publication and handling plus ten  
25 percent. In subsequent bienniums, the ~~secretary of state~~legislative council may determine and  
26 set a price for the copies of the session laws not sold in the biennium immediately after their  
27 publication. The price set should maximize the recovery of the cost of publication and handling  
28 and minimize the number of volumes subject to disposal under section 46-04-19. All moneys  
29 received under ~~the provisions of~~this section must be paid ~~over~~to the state treasurer and  
30 credited to the general fund.

1     **SECTION 9. AMENDMENT.** Section 46-04-19 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
2 amended and reenacted as follows:

3     **46-04-19. ~~Secretary of state~~ Legislative council may dispose of laws.**

4     The ~~secretary of state~~ legislative council may dispose of all volumes of the laws that are ten  
5 or more years old, except one volume of each ~~that~~ which must be retained for historical  
6 purposes.