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Bismarck, January 3, 1995

At the hour of 12:00 noon on the third day of January, 1995, according to the Constitution of the State of North Dakota, the House of Representatives convened in its regular session with Speaker Martin presiding.

The prayer was offered by the Rev. Mark Listen, Bismarck Wesleyan Church, Bismarck.

The roll was called and all members were present except Representative DeKrey.

A quorum was declared by the Speaker.

MOTION

REP. FREIER MOVED that the absent member be excused, which motion prevailed.

MOTION

REP. FREIER MOVED that the House be on the Ninth order of business and at the conclusion of the Ninth order, the House stand in recess until 1:45 p.m., to receive the Senate in Joint Session and at the conclusion of the Joint Session, the House stand adjourned until 1:30 p.m., Wednesday, January 4, 1995, which motion prevailed.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1001: A BILL for an Act providing an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the legislative branch of government; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1002: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the judicial branch; and to amend and reenact sections 27-02-02 and 27-05-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the salaries of supreme and district court judges.

Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1003: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota university system and the various institutions of higher learning under the supervision of the state board of higher education and to provide an exemption to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11.

Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1004: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the upper great plains transportation institute.

Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1005: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota state university extension service, the northern crops institute, and the North Dakota agricultural experiment station.

Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1006: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state department of health and consolidated laboratories.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1007: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the Indian affairs commission.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1008: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the aeronautics commission.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1009: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the veterans' home and the department of veterans' affairs.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1010: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of banking and financial institutions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1011: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state fair association.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1012: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the council on the arts and an appropriation of funds from the cultural endowment fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1013: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the highway patrol.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1014: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the various divisions under the supervision of the director of the department of transportation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1015: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the commissioner of university and school lands.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1016: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the children's services coordinating committee.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1017: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state industrial commission and the agencies under the management of the industrial commission and to authorize transfers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1018: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of corrections and rehabilitation.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1019: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of job service North Dakota.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1020: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of administrative hearings.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1021: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of economic development and finance; and providing for transfers of funds.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

HB 1022: A BILL for an Act making an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state board for vocational and technical education.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1023: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-35-02.6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duties of the administrative rules committee.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1024: A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 28-32 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to environmental rules adopted from federal guidelines.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1025: A BILL for an Act relating to contracts for the production of agricultural commodities.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1026: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 2-05-04, 4-05.1-04, 4-27-11, 6-01-10, 13-03-10, 13-03.1-10, 15-02-08, 20.1-02-04, 24-02-01.5, 26.1-01-03, 26.1-21-22, 34-05-01, 37-03-05, 37-14-09, 43-09-05, 43-15-12, 43-23-02, 46-02-04, 46-02-05, 50-06-17, 52-02-03, 54-09-02, 54-10-01, 54-11-01, 54-44.3-07, 57-01-02, and 65-02-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the requirement of biennial reports; and to repeal sections 13-05-08.1, 15-20.1-21, 15-21-14, 15-52-28, 18-01-29, 23-01-06, 24-02-10, 34-06-20, 36-01-11, 37-15-19, 43-01-06, 43-04-19, 43-10-08, 43-13-09, 43-17-12, 43-28-09, 49-01-13, 52-10-09, 54-06-04, 54-12-05, 54-17-06, 54-36-06, 54-42-05, 54-46-11, 61-03-04, and 61-04.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the requirement of biennial reports.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1027: A BILL for an Act to provide for the sentencing of offenders to the custody of the department of corrections and rehabilitation and to rename the state industrial school the state youth correctional center; to create and enact a new subsection to section 1-01-49 and a new section to chapter 12-47 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of penitentiary and the authority of the warden; to

amend and reenact sections 11-15-25, 12-46-01, 12-46-13, 12-46-15, 12-46-17, 12-46-18, 12-47-11, 12-47-12, 12-47-17, 12-47-21, 12-48-01, 12-55-31, 12-59-16, 12.1-32-02, 19-03.1-23, subsection 5 of section 27-20-31, section 27-20-32, subsection 2 of section 27-20-36, subsection 2 of section 27-20-37, and section 44-04-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to commitment of offenders to custody of the department of corrections and rehabilitation; and to repeal chapter 12-51 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the Missouri River correctional center.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1028: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 65-06.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to reimbursement for payment of liabilities that exceed the premium paid for inmates; to amend and reenact sections 65-06.2-01 and 65-06.2-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to workers' compensation coverage of penitentiary inmates employed in the private sector prison industry enhancement certification program; and to provide an expiration date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1029: A BILL for an Act to establish a law enforcement training academy fee and provide for its collection and distribution; to authorize the industrial commission to issue and sell evidences of indebtedness for capital projects; to provide an appropriation; to provide for application of the Act; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1030: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06-14.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to basic care facility rates.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1031: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-06 and a new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to nonissuance, nonrenewal, or suspension of a motor vehicle operator's license for delinquent child support; and to amend and reenact sections 39-06-03, 39-06-19, and subsection 3 of section 39-06.2-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to suspension and renewal of a motor vehicle operator's license for delinquent child support.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1032: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 14 and a new section to chapter 14-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the establishment of paternity; and to amend and reenact section 14-17-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the use of genetic tests in paternity proceedings.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1033: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-01, a new subsection to section 20.1-08-04, and a new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to purchase or use of game and fish licenses or permits while in arrearage in child support; and to amend and reenact sections 20.1-03-17 and 20.1-08-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to issuance of game and fish licenses and orders and proclamations of the governor.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1034: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 34-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a requirement that every employer report newly hired employees or employees who return to work after an absence; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1035: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-41-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to high school minimum curriculum.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1036: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-36-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to teacher certification; to repeal section 15-36-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to citizenship requirements for teacher certification; to provide an effective date; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1037: A BILL for an Act relating to the creation of a statewide comprehensive plan for the provision of elementary and secondary education and inservice training for teachers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1038: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the inspection of schools; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 15-35-01.1 and section 18-01-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the approval of school construction and renovation plans and the abatement of fire hazards.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1039: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15-27.1-01, 15-27.1-03, 15-27.1-04, 15-27.1-05, 15-27.1-06, 15-27.1-08, 15-27.1-10, 15-27.1-11, 15-27.2-01, 15-27.2-02, 15-27.2-04, 15-27.2-05, 15-27.3-02, 15-27.3-04, 15-27.3-05, 15-27.3-06, 15-27.3-07, 15-27.3-11, 15-27.3-12, 15-27.3-15, 15-27.3-16, 15-27.3-19, 15-27.4-01, 15-27.4-02, 15-27.6-07, 15-27.6-08, 15-27.6-09, and 15-47-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regional committees for the reorganization of school districts; and to provide a transition.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1040: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-29-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to school board meetings.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1041: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 11-10-10, 11-10-20, subsection 1 of section 11-14-13, sections 15-06-02, 15-08-03, 15-19-03, subsection 3 of section 15-20.4-03, sections 15-21-07, 15-21-15, 15-22-17, 15-22-18, 15-27.1-01, subsection 2 of section 15-27.1-03, sections 15-27.1-04, 15-27.1-10, 15-27.2-01, subsection 7 of section 15-27.2-04, sections 15-27.3-02, 15-27.3-08, 15-27.3-11, 15-27.3-12, 15-27.3-19, 15-27.4-01, 15-27.4-02, 15-27.6-09, 15-27.6-10, 15-29-06, 15-29-07, subsections 16 and 17 of section 15-29-08, subsection 3 of section 15-29-09, sections 15-34.1-03, 15-34.1-04, 15-34.1-06, 15-34.1-07, 15-34.1-10, 15-36-17, 15-38-14, subsection 11 of section 15-39.1-04, sections 15-40.1-09, 15-40.1-17, 15-40.2-05, subsection 4 of section 15-40.2-08, sections 15-41-01, 15-43-03, 15-44-06, 15-47-02.1, 15-47-07, 15-47-13, 15-47-43, 15-49-09, 15-49-11,

21-04-19, 23-03-07, subsection 3 of section 44-11-02, sections 54-01-13.2, 57-15-14, 57-16-04, 57-33.1-09, subsection 3 of section 57-51-15, sections 57-60-15, and 57-62-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to county superintendents of schools; to repeal sections 11-10-10.5, 11-14-14, 15-21-10, 15-22-01, 15-22-02, 15-22-04, 15-22-07, 15-22-09, 15-22-10, 15-22-11, 15-22-12, 15-22-13, 15-22-14, 15-22-15, 15-22-16, 15-22-20, 15-22-25, 15-22-26, 15-27.1-09, 15-35-10, 15-38-02, 15-38-03, 15-40.1-19, 15-47-17, 15-47-23, and 65-04-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to county superintendents of schools; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1042: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 15-27.2-01 and subsection 3 of section 15-27.4-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to residency requirements in school district annexations and dissolutions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1043: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-40.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mandatory high school districts; to amend and reenact section 15-38-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to school registers; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1044: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15-40.2-04, 15-40.2-05, and 15-40.3-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the transportation of students participating in open enrollment and other nonresident students; and to repeal section 15-34.2-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to agreements for transportation of nonresident students.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1045: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-65-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to membership of the North Dakota educational telecommunications council.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1046: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-21-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to joint meetings and cooperative activities of the boards of higher education, vocational and technical education, and public school education.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1047: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-59-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to legislative intent regarding the delivery of special education.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1048: A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 15-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to school district development of long-range professional growth and development plans.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1049: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-52.3-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to participation by political subdivisions in the pretax benefits program.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1050: A BILL for an Act to create and enact four new sections to chapter 23-01, a new chapter to title 23, two new sections to chapter 23-17.5, a new chapter to title 26.1, six new sections to chapter 26.1-36, a new chapter to title 32, two new sections to chapter 50-24.1, and a new subdivision to subsection 1 of section 57-38-01.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to establishing a health care commission, cost and quality review program, health care cooperatives, health care provider cooperatives, and medical savings accounts, modifying preexisting conditions limitations, providing for guaranteed issue and renewal of health insurance products, modified community rating, insurance reimbursement to advanced registered nurse practitioners, and reimbursement for nutrition services, establishing a standard benefits package, establishing limits on damages and contingency fees and providing for alternative dispute resolution for medical malpractice claims, expanding medical assistance, and providing a tax deduction for health insurance premiums; to amend and reenact sections 23-17.5-01, 23-17.5-02, 23-17.5-03, 23-17.5-04, 23-17.5-07, 23-17.5-08, 23-17.5-10, 23-17.5-11, subsection 9 of section 26.1-17-01, subsection 1 of section 26.1-36-04, subdivision e of subsection 2 of section 26.1-36-04, section 26.1-36-05, subsection 4 of section 26.1-36-22, subsection 11 of section 26.1-36.3-01, subsection 1 of section 26.1-36.3-04, subdivision a of subsection 3 of section 26.1-36.3-06, sections 50-24.1-02, 57-38-29, and subsections 2, 3, and 4 of section 57-38-30.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to supervision of health care provider cooperatives, guaranteed issue and renewal of health insurance products, preexisting conditions limitations, modified community rating, insurance reimbursement to advanced registered nurse practitioners, expansion of medical assistance coverage, income tax rates, and an income tax deduction for health insurance premiums; to repeal section 26.1-17-12.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to insurance reimbursement for nurses; to provide a penalty; to provide an appropriation; to provide an effective date; to provide for application and retroactive application; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1051: A BILL for an Act relating to product liability actions against manufacturers of general aviation light aircraft.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1052: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 53-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the expense limitation for games of chance.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1053: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 53-06.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the maximum wager limit for the game of twenty-one.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1054: A BILL for an Act to require every state agency and institution to prepare a written analysis documenting the decision to acquire any asset as the result of a lease; and to create and enact a new subsection to section 54-44.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the contents of budget data prepared by the director of the budget.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1055: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 54-06-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to accounts maintained by state agencies at banks other than the Bank of North Dakota.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1056: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 25-04-17 and 50-06.3-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the timing of reports by the department of human services on the reduction or writeoff of accounts receivable.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1057: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to designation of the state department of health and consolidated laboratories as the primary state environmental agency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1058: A BILL for an Act to rename the state department of health and consolidated laboratories the department of health and environment; and to amend and reenact section 23-01-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the name of the state department of health and consolidated laboratories.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1059: A BILL for an Act to rename the state health council the health and environment council; to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 20.1-13-05, sections 23-01-02, 23-25-02, 23-25-03, subsection 1 of section 23-25-04, subsection 1 of section 54-07-01.2, sections 61-28-02, 61-28-05, and 61-28-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the membership of the health and environment council; to repeal section 61-28-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state water pollution control board; and to provide for implementation of this Act.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1060: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 23-29-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the membership of solid waste management district governing boards.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1061: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 21-03-06, a new subsection to section 23-29-02, and a new chapter to title 23 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to issuance of bonds by solid waste management authorities; and to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 21-03-01, subsection 2 of section 21-03-07, section 23-29-06.3, and subsection 3 of section 23-29-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of municipality for purposes of issuing bonds, issuance of bonds or other evidences of indebtedness by solid waste management authorities without an election, establishment and operation of solid waste management authorities, and special elections to approve or disapprove of solid waste management facilities.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1062: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 10-30.1-01, sections 10-30.1-09, 10-30.2-12, 40-57.1-04, 57-38-01, subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 57-38-01.3, sections 57-38-01.7, 57-38-01.8, 57-38-01.14, 57-38-01.16, 57-38-01.17, 57-38-30.3, 57-38-31, and 57-38-33 of the North Dakota Century Code, and section 1 of chapter 555 of the 1993 Session Laws, relating to elimination of the long-form income tax return and establishment of the short-form income tax return as the only individual income tax filing method; to repeal sections 57-38-01.1, 57-38-01.2, 57-38-01.13, 57-38-02, 57-38-03, 57-38-06.1, 57-38-29, 57-38-29.2, 57-38-30.4, 57-38-34.1, 57-38-67, 57-38-68, 57-38-69, 57-38-70, 57-38-71, 57-38-72, 57-38-73, and 57-38-74 and chapter 57-38.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the long-form individual income tax filing method; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HB 1063: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 40-57.1-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the time of making application for new industry exemptions; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Reps. Wald, Bernstein and Sens. Kinnoin, Solberg, Tennesfos introduced:

HB 1064: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 39-04-10.3, 39-04-36, 39-04-39.2, and 39-04-44 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the retention of number plates by an owner when a vehicle is transferred or assigned.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Reps. Wald, Martin introduced:

HB 1065: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-39.2-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a sales and use tax exemption for purchases from a nonprofit secondhand store; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Rep. Nichols introduced:

HB 1066: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 53-06.1-12.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to pull tab excise taxes.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Rep. Byerly introduced:

HB 1067: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 11-11-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the authority of boards of county commissioners to establish minimum business hours for county officers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Reps. Dobrinski, Kempenich and Sens. Tallackson, Urlacher introduced:

HB 1068: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to rabies vaccinations; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 43-29-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to persons not considered to be practicing veterinary medicine.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Rep Olson introduced:

HB 1069: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 14-03-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to residency requirements for marriage licenses.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Rep. Hanson introduced:

HB 1070: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the fee for a

nonresident reciprocal trapping license; and to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 20.1-03-07 and section 20.1-03-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to nonresident reciprocal trapping licenses.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Reps. Coats, Hanson, Torgerson and Sen. Nalewaja introduced:

HB 1071: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 32-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to immunity from civil liability for hunter education course instructors; and to amend and reenact section 20.1-03-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code and section 1 of chapter 228 of the 1993 Session Laws, relating to bowhunter education requirements.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Reps. Brown, Carlson, Torgerson and Sens. Bowman, O'Connell introduced:

HB 1072: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 29-06-05.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the authority of special agents of the federal bureau of investigation to make arrests.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Reps. Austin, Kliniske introduced:

HB 1073: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06-05.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regional human service center directors.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Reps. Austin, Kliniske introduced:

HB 1074: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 50-06-01, 50-06-01.3, 50-06-05.1, 50-06-16, and 50-16-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the human services advisory board; and to repeal section 50-06-01.6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of and membership of the human services advisory board.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Rep. Dobrinski introduced:

HB 1075: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-28-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the terms of office of school board members.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Rep. Drovdal introduced:

HB 1076: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-03-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to telephone expense reimbursement for members of the legislative assembly.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Reps. Rennerfeldt, Kretschmar and Sen. Traynor introduced:

HB 1077: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-22-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to unlawful entry into a vehicle.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Political Subdivisions Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Housing Finance Agency)

HB 1078: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 54-17-07.2 and a new section to chapter 54-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to housing finance program definitions and pledges; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 54-17-07.3 and section 54-17-07.4, relating to home mortgage finance programs and housing revenue bonds; and to provide for retroactive application.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Auditor)

HB 1079: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 21-04-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to approval of custodians for safekeeping securities pledged in place of depository bonds.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Rep. Olson introduced:

(At the request of the Parks and Recreation Department)

HB 1080: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 55-08-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to charges for special technical assistance services by the parks and recreation department.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Agriculture Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners)

HB 1081: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-29-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to veterinary license examination fees.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Rep. Rydell and Sen. O'Connell introduced:

(At the request of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation)

HB 1082: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 12-48-15, section 12-48-20, and subdivision b of subsection 3 of section 12.1-08-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to disposition of moneys earned by inmates and definitions relating to escape.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Reps. Gorder, Svedjan introduced:

(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

HB 1083: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 34-14-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the time of payment of wages by employers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the North Dakota Real Estate Commission)

HB 1084: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-23 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to injunctive actions by the North Dakota real estate commission.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:

(At the request of the North Dakota Real Estate Commission)

HB 1085: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 1, 2, and 3 of section 43-23-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to real estate broker, mortgage broker, and real estate salesperson license fees; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Agriculture Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Public Service Commission)

HB 1086: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 64-02-09, 64-02-10, 64-02-13, and 64-02-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to standards of weights and measures and fees for testing weighing and measuring devices.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Education Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Board of Higher Education)

HB 1087: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 15-10-19.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of resident student for higher education tuition purposes.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Education Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Board of Higher Education)

HB 1088: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 15-10-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to administration of a motor pool by the state board of higher education.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Administrative Hearings)

HB 1089: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 28-32 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to duties of hearing officers; to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 28-32-01, subsection 1 of section 28-32-08.1, subsections 3 and 5 of section 54-57-01, sections 54-57-02, 54-57-03, 54-57-04, 54-57-05, and 54-57-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to changing the designation of office of administrative hearings' hearing officers from hearing officer to administrative law judge and to the duties of administrative hearing officers; and to repeal section 54-57-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to transfer and transition provisions for the office of administrative hearings.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Agriculture Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Board of University and School Lands)

HB 1090: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 47-30.1-01 and section 47-30.1-16.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions applicable to the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act and unclaimed mineral proceeds; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 47-30.1-02, subsection 2 of section 47-30.1-04, subsection 1 of section 47-30.1-05, subsections 1 and 4 of section 47-30.1-06, subsections 1 and 3 of section 47-30.1-07, sections 47-30.1-10, 47-30.1-11, subsection 1 of section 47-30.1-12, section 47-30.1-13, subsection 1 of section 47-30.1-14, sections 47-30.1-16, 47-30.1-17, subsections 1 and 4 of section 47-30.1-18, section 47-30.1-19.1, subsection 3 of section 47-30.1-24, and subsection 1 of section 47-30.1-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to abandoned property under the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act; and to repeal sections 47-30.1-19 and 47-30.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the payment or delivery of and the crediting of dividends accrued on abandoned property.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Political Subdivisions Committee introduced:

(At the request of State Radio Communications)

HB 1091: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 3 of chapter 720 of the 1987 Session Laws as amended by section 6 of chapter 686 of the 1991 Session Laws as amended by section 1 of chapter 570 of the 1993 Session Laws, relating to the expiration date of the emergency services communication system advisory committee.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Rep. Belter introduced:

(At the request of the Department of Transportation)

HB 1092: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 39-06-14, section 39-06-27, subsection 4 of section 39-06-32, subsection 2 of section 39-06-33, subsection 1 of section 39-06.1-10, paragraph 31 of subdivision a of subsection 3 of section 39-06.1-10, sections 39-06.1-14, 39-16-03, 39-16-03.1, subsection 1 of section 39-16-05, section 39-16.1-07, subsection 1 of section 39-16.1-19, and subsection 2 of section 39-20-04 of the North Dakota Century Code,

relating to photographs on motor vehicle operator's licenses, proof of driving offenses in other jurisdictions, refusal to submit to an implied consent chemical test in another state, rules for hearings on suspension or revocation, points for offenses in other jurisdictions, points for speeding in reduced speed zones, delivery of suspension orders, fees for copies of operating records, entries on driver record abstracts, time for filing proof of financial responsibility before suspension, proof of financial responsibility, and curing a refusal to take a chemical test.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Rep. Price introduced:

(At the request of the Department of Transportation)

HB 1093: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-01-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to hearings on alleged violations by motor vehicle dealers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Rep. Dorso introduced:

(At the request of the Department of Transportation)

HB 1094: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-43.1 and a new section to chapter 57-43.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to additional motor vehicle fuels taxes and special fuels taxes to be imposed if additional federal highway matching funds become available; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 57-43.1-02 and subsection 1 of section 57-43.2-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to motor vehicle fuels taxes and special fuels taxes; to repeal sections 1 and 2 of chapter 573 of the 1993 Session Laws, relating to additional motor vehicle and special fuels taxes; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an expiration date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Tax Commissioner)

HB 1095: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-51.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to reduced oil extraction tax rates for certain oil production.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Tax Commissioner)

HB 1096: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-38-57 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the tax commissioner's use of certain information for income and withholding tax compliance purposes.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Tax Commissioner)

HB 1097: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-43.1-17 and a new subsection to section 57-43.2-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the effect of determination of motor vehicle fuels and special fuels taxes due.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Reps. Grosz, Boehm introduced:

(At the request of the Governor)

HB 1098: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 54-01-17.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the North Dakota-Saskatchewan-Manitoba boundary advisory committee.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Rep. Belter introduced:

(At the request of the Governor)

HB 1099: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 49-17.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state intermodal transportation team.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Rep. Olson introduced:

(At the request of the Governor)

HB 1100: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 1-08-04.1, 48-10-01, and 48-10-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to duties of the council on the arts and membership and duties of the capitol grounds planning commission; to repeal chapter 48-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the capitol arts and historic preservation advisory committee; and to transfer the balance of the capitol arts and historic preservation advisory committee special operating fund to the general fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Rep. Timm introduced:

(At the request of the Governor)

HB 1101: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 57-59-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the multistate tax compact advisory committee.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Rep. Soukup introduced:

(At the request of the Department of Transportation)

HB 1102: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-07-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to exemptions from contractor's bid requirements.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Board of Higher Education)

HB 1103: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 44-08-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state employee travel reimbursement.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Reps. Nicholas, Kerzman and Sens. Kelsh, Freborg, Tomac introduced:

(At the request of the Commissioner of Agriculture)

HB 1104: A BILL for an Act to provide for an agricultural pesticide and pesticide container disposal program; and to provide an expiration date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Rep. D. Henegar and Sen. Redlin introduced:

(At the request of the Game and Fish Department)

HB 1105: A BILL for an Act to create and enact sections 20.1-03-32, 20.1-03-33, and 20.1-03-34 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to establishing a computer hunting and fishing license system.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Rep. D. Henegar and Sen. Robinson introduced:

(At the request of the Game and Fish Department)

HB 1106: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-08-04.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the governor's proclamation concerning the hunting of deer with muzzleloading firearms.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Rep. D. Henegar and Sen. Redlin introduced:

(At the request of the Game and Fish Department)

HB 1107: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to nonresident

paddlefish license fees; and to amend and reenact subsection 24 of section 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to paddlefish license fees.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Rep. Torgerson and Sen. Nalewaja introduced:

(At the request of the Game and Fish Department)

HB 1108: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 17 of section 20.1-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to violation of rules for the licensing of guides or outfitters; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Rep. Wentz and Sen. Nalewaja introduced:

(At the request of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation)

HB 1109: A BILL for an Act to change crime victims reparations to crime victims compensation; and to amend and reenact section 54-23.4-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the restitution and gift fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Commission on Uniform State Laws)

HB 1110: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapters 45-13, 45-14, 45-15, 45-16, 45-17, 45-18, 45-19, 45-20, and 45-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the provisions of the Uniform Partnership Act (1994) which pertain to general partnership provisions, nature of partnership, relations of partners to persons dealing with partnership, relations of partners to each other and to partnership, transferees and creditors of partner, partner's dissociation, winding up partnership business, and conversions and mergers of partnership; to amend and reenact sections 45-11-01 and 45-12-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to fictitious partnership names and existing partnerships; to repeal chapters 45-05, 45-06, 45-07, 45-08, 45-09, and section 45-12-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to partnerships generally, relations of partners to others, relations of partners to one another, property rights of partner, dissolution and winding up of partnership, and citation of the Uniform Partnership Act; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Commission on Uniform State Laws)

HB 1111: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 30.1-05-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to protection of payers and other third parties under the Uniform Probate Code; to amend and reenact sections 30.1-12-02, 30.1-12-08, 30.1-15-12, 30.1-22-01, and 30.1-22-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the provisions of the Uniform Probate Code Article III which pertain to general provisions of probate of wills and administration; to amend and reenact subsection 53 of section 30.1-01-06, chapter 30.1-05, section 30.1-06-01, subsection 3 of section 30.1-06-02, subsection 2 of section 30.1-07-03, subdivision b of subsection 2 of section 30.1-09-05, section 30.1-09.1-02, subdivision b of subsection 1 and subdivision b of subsection 2 of section 30.1-09.1-06, section 30.1-09.1-07, subsection 3 of section 30.1-09.1-09, section 30.1-09.1-11, subsection 4 of section 30.1-10-01, subsection 5 of section 30.1-10-03, and subsection 4 of section 30.1-10-04 of the North Dakota Century Code as created by sections 2, 15, 16, 20, 31, 39, and 40 of chapter 334 of the 1993 Session Laws, relating to the provisions of the Uniform Probate Code Articles I and II which pertain to definitions, augmented estate, elective share, entitlement of spouse, requirement of survival, and probate and nonprobate transfers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Education Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Bank of North Dakota)

HB 1112: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-62.1-01, subsection 1 of section 15-62.1-02, sections 15-62.1-03, 15-62.1-05, and 15-62.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a state guarantee student loan program.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Natural Resources Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Engineer)

HB 1113: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 61-33-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to meetings of the sovereign lands advisory board.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Natural Resources Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Water Commission)

HB 1114: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12 of chapter 594 of the 1993 Session Laws, relating to the effective date of the assumption of the section 404 program of the Clean Water Act by the state.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Agriculture Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Engineer)

HB 1115: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-05-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to votes of electors of irrigation districts.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Attorney General)

HB 1116: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 18-09-02, subsection 2 of section 23-13-02.3, sections 23-13-03.2, 23-13-03.3, and 23-13-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to liquefied petroleum gas regulations, self-service motor fuel dispensing facilities, unauthorized filling, transfer, or covering of identification marks on liquefied petroleum gas containers, unauthorized possession of liquefied petroleum gas containers, and limitations on aboveground petroleum storage tanks.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Attorney General)

HB 1117: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authorizing the attorney general to enter into agreements for criminal history record and identification purposes.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Natural Resources Committee introduced:

(At the request of the North Dakota Geological Survey)

HB 1118: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 38-19-02 and section 38-19-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to reporting requirements for installers of residential geothermal systems.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Secretary of State)

HB 1119: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 46-04-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to disposition of laws by the secretary of state.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Secretary of State)

HB 1120: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to payments to state agencies, boards, and commissions by credit card.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Legislative Compensation Commission)

HB 1121: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-03-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to compensation and expense reimbursement of members of the legislative assembly.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Rep. Sandvig introduced:

HB 1122: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 40-21-06 and 40-21-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to statements of principles on city election ballots.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Rep. Hagle introduced:

HB 1123: A BILL for an Act relating to fiscal notes for legislative bills or resolutions that have a fiscal impact on counties or cities.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Rep. Dorso introduced:

HB 1124: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 4-10.1-09, 4-10.2-08, 4-10.3-08, subsection 3 of section 4-10.4-08, sections 4-10.5-07, 4-10.6-10, 4-12.1-03, 4-13.1-05, 4-18.1-12, 4-24-09, subsection 2 of section 4-27-06, sections 4-28-08, and 4-34-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to appropriations for agricultural commodity groups; and to repeal sections 4-10.5-12 and 4-24-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to continuing appropriations for the soybean council and reports to the legislative assembly by agricultural commodity groups.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Rep. Martinson introduced:

(At the request of Job Service North Dakota)

HB 1125: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 52-09-06 and subsection 9 of section 52-09-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the investment of funds and the calculation of primary insurance benefits under the old-age and survivor insurance system.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Public Employees Retirement System)

HB 1126: A BILL for an Act to create and enact three new sections to chapter 54-52.1 and four new subsections to section 54-52.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to dental, vision, long-term care, and employee assistance benefits coverage under the uniform group insurance program; and to amend and reenact subsection 6 of section 54-52-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the authority of the retirement board.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Public Employees Retirement System)

HB 1127: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 8 of section 54-52-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions for purposes of the public employees retirement system.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Public Employees Retirement System)

HB 1128: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision b of subsection 4 of section 54-52-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the computation of benefits for participants in the judges' system under the public employees retirement system.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Agriculture Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1129: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 1 of chapter 573 of the 1991 Session Laws, relating to the centennial trees program and administration of the program by the state forester.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Political Subdivisions Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1130: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 2-05-06.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state assistance for public airports.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Political Subdivisions Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1131: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 29-26-22, 29-26-22.2, and 29-27-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to imposition and disposition of fines and fees for violation of state law; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1132: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 27-20-49 and sections 31-01-16 and 31-01-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to witness fees and expenses.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Appropriations Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1133: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 54-44.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to exceptions to the requirement that the office of management and budget cancel unexpended appropriations.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1134: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-43.1-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code and section 6 of chapter 404 of the 1991 Session Laws, relating to reductions of refunds of motor vehicle fuels taxes on fuel used for agricultural purposes and the duration of motor vehicle registration fees; to provide an effective date; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Agriculture Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1135: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 4-05.1-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to control of the Mandan experiment station by the director of the agricultural experiment station.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:
(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

HB 1136: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 57-38-62 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to penalties for the nonpayment, underpayment, or late payment of estimated tax; and to provide an effective date.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:
(At the request of the State Board of Examiners for Nursing Home Administrators)

HB 1137: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-34-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to license fees for nursing home administrators.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Political Subdivisions Committee introduced:
(At the request of the North Dakota Municipal Bond Bank)

HB 1138: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 5 and 6 of section 6-09.4-03 and subsection 4 of section 6-09.4-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definitions applicable to the municipal bond bank and required debt service reserve for bonds of the municipal bond bank.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Rep. D. Henegar and Sen. Redlin introduced:
(At the request of the Game and Fish Department)

HB 1139: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to resident fishing license fees; to repeal section 20.1-03-10.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to trout and salmon license stamps; and to provide an effective date.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Rep. Kretschmar and Sen. W. Stenehjem introduced:
(At the request of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation)

HB 1140: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12-55 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of pardon.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:
(At the request of the Central Personnel Division)

HB 1141: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 54-14-04.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state employee severance pay.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:
(At the request of the Tax Commissioner)

HB 1142: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 57-02-08.3, sections 57-38-49, 57-38-50, subsections 3, 4, 5, and 6 of section 57-39.2-13, subsections 3, 4, 5, and 6 of section 57-40.2-16, subsections 2, 3, and 4 of section 57-40.3-07.1, subsections 3, 4, and 6 of section 57-43.1-17.4, and subsections 3, 4, and 6 of section 57-43.2-16.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the filing of tax liens with the secretary of state; and to provide an effective date.
Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Treasurer)

HB 1143: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 5-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the alcohol content of beer for purposes of the regulation of alcohol.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee.**

Finance and Taxation Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Treasurer)

HB 1144: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 5-03-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to metric equivalents for wholesale alcoholic beverage taxes.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee.**

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Bank of North Dakota)

HB 1145: A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 10-30.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the conversion of the operations and resources of the Myron G. Nelson Fund, Incorporated, to a small business investment corporation; to amend and reenact sections 6-03-38, 7-02-10, 10-04-10, 10-04-05, 10-04-06, subsection 2 of section 10-30.2-01, sections 10-30.2-07, 10-30.2-11, 10-30.2-12, 10-30.2-13.1, 10-30.2-14, 26.1-05-19, subdivision p of subsection 1 of section 57-38-01.2, and subdivision h of subsection 1 of section 57-38-01.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to reporting requirements and tax credits and permitting investment in the Myron G. Nelson Fund, Incorporated, and a small business investment company; and to repeal chapter 6-09.2 and sections 10-30.2-02, 10-30.2-03, 10-30.2-04, 10-30.2-05, 10-30.2-06, 10-30.2-08, 10-30.2-09, and 10-30.2-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to industrial development bonds and the creation and operation of the Myron G. Nelson Fund, Incorporated.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee.**

Natural Resources Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Department of Health and Consolidated Laboratories)

HB 1146: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 23-29.1-15 and 23-29.1-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mandatory participation in the municipal waste landfill release compensation fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee.**

Rep. D. Henegar introduced:

(At the request of the State Department of Health and Consolidated Laboratories)

HB 1147: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 19-18-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to pesticide product registration schedules.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee.**

Rep. D. Henegar introduced:

(At the request of the State Department of Health and Consolidated Laboratories)

HB 1148: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 19-20.1-02, 19-20.1-03, 19-20.1-03.1, 19-20.1-03.4, 19-20.1-06, and 19-20.1-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions applicable to the registration and licensing of fertilizers, fertilizer registration schedules, fertilizer licensing schedules, distributing fertilizer without a license, guaranteed analysis of fertilizer, fertilizer inspection fees and tonnage reports, and phosphates; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee.**

Rep. D. Henegar introduced:

(At the request of the State Department of Health and Consolidated Laboratories)

HB 1149: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 19-13.1-03 and 19-13.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to pet food registration and feed inspection fees.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Attorney General)

HB 1150: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision k of subsection 6 of section 53-06.1-01, subsection 19 of section 53-06.1-01, and subsection 3 of section 53-06.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to use of gaming net proceeds by a chamber of commerce, definition of public-spirited organization for gaming purposes, and allowable gaming expenses.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Transportation Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Attorney General)

HB 1151: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 9 and 10 of section 27-20-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definitions of traffic offense, unruly child, and implied consent to determine alcohol and drug content of blood.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Attorney General)

HB 1152: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 1, 2, 3, 5, and 6 of section 12.1-32-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to registration requirements for offenders against children and sexual offenders.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction)

HB 1153: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 43-32-30 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the practice of psychology in a public school or service unit of employment.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Education Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction)

HB 1154: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 15-35-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to approval of school construction projects by the superintendent of public instruction.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Commissioner of Insurance)

HB 1155: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 26.1-33.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to viatical settlements.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Commissioner of Insurance)

HB 1156: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 26.1-37.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to consumer credit insurance; and to repeal chapter 26.1-37 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to credit insurance.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Natural Resources Committee introduced:

(At the request of the North Dakota Geological Survey)

HB 1157: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 38-12.1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the penalty for improper coal exploration activities; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Industrial Commission)

HB 1158: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 38-08-22 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regulation of oil and gas wellhead welders.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Industrial Commission)

HB 1159: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 38-08-11, subsection 1 of section 38-08-14, and subsection 1 of section 38-08-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to notice of hearings in industrial commission proceedings and the court in which appeals may be taken from orders of the industrial commission and in which the commission may bring actions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Reps. Payne, Svedjan introduced:

HB 1160: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 50-09-02.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a waiver from the federal government to allow employment incentives for recipients of aid to families with dependent children benefits.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Rep. Svedjan introduced:

HB 1161: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 54-57-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to hearings before administrative hearings officers.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Rep. Svedjan introduced:

HB 1162: A BILL for an Act to repeal section 50-06-06.12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to withholding from child care provider reimbursement payments.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Human Services Committee**.

Rep. DeWitz and Sen. O'Connell introduced:

HB 1163: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-21-41.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the requirement of safety belts for people with medical or physically disabling conditions.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Rep. Maragos introduced:

HB 1164: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 12.1-28-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of gambling.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Rep. Byerly introduced:

HB 1165: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 10-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a statute of limitations for certain securities activities.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee**.

Rep. Maragos introduced:

HB 1166: A BILL for an Act to provide for the keeping of records of transactions by licensed pawnbrokers; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee.**

Rep. Maragos introduced:

HB 1167: A BILL for an Act to provide for distinctive motor vehicle number plates for persons who are hearing impaired.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee.**

Judiciary Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Gaming Commission)

HB 1168: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 53-06.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to interest and penalty for licensed gaming organizations; to amend and reenact section 53-06.1-01, subsection 2 of section 53-06.1-01.1, sections 53-06.1-02, 53-06.1-03, 53-06.1-03.1, 53-06.1-03.2, 53-06.1-03.3, 53-06.1-05.1, 53-06.1-06, 53-06.1-06.1, 53-06.1-07, 53-06.1-07.1, 53-06.1-07.2, 53-06.1-07.3, 53-06.1-08, 53-06.1-09, 53-06.1-10, 53-06.1-10.1, 53-06.1-11, 53-06.1-11.1, 53-06.1-12, 53-06.1-12.1, 53-06.1-12.2, 53-06.1-13, 53-06.1-14, 53-06.1-15, 53-06.1-15.1, 53-06.1-15.2, 53-06.1-15.4, 53-06.1-16, 53-06.1-16.1, 53-06.1-16.2, and 53-06.1-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions under the games of chance laws, qualifications of gaming commission members, use of net proceeds, allowable games and prize limitations, conditional site authorization, two organizations conducting games on a site, license fees, rent limits, regulation of the number of twenty-one tables and sites, persons restricted from being involved in gaming equipment, history background checks, local work permits, allowed games of chance, limitations on hours and participation in games, poker, calcuttas, punchboards, pull tabs, sports pools, twenty-one, raffles, gross proceeds and expenses, organizations using money in certain political activities, gaming taxes, deposits, examination of books and records, distributors and manufacturers, form and display of a license and local permit, reimbursing the attorney general for inspection costs, the statute of limitations, conditional licenses, violation of a law or rule, thefts and fraudulent schemes, ineligibility for local permits and rules; to repeal sections 53-06.1-02.1, 53-06.1-04, 53-06.1-05, and 53-06.1-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to waiver of the two-year activity requirement for local permits, local permits, and pull tab prizes; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Judiciary Committee.**

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Historical Society)

HB 1169: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-02.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to tax exemptions for improvements to historically significant property.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.**

Agriculture Committee introduced:

(At the request of the State Historical Society)

HB 1170: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subdivision to subsection 1 of section 54-01-05.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the requirements for the sale of state-owned lands; and to amend and reenact section 15-02-05.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to determination of highest and best use of state land by the commissioner of university and school lands.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee.**

Education Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Superintendent of Public Instruction)

HB 1171: A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 15-40.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to equalization of per student payments and additional payments for small but necessary schools; and to amend and reenact sections 15-40.1-06, 15-40.1-07, 15-40.1-08, 15-40.1-09, and 15-44-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to per student payments, weighting factors, computation of foundation aid, and apportionment of the state tuition fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the North Dakota Real Estate Commission)

HB 1172: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the licensure and regulation of mortgage brokers; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 6-01-01.1, sections 43-23-05, 43-23-06.1, 43-23-07, subsection 1 of section 43-23-08, sections 43-23-09, 43-23-10, 43-23-12, 43-23-13, and 43-23-13.1, relating to the financial institutions regulatory fund and definition of mortgage broker and mortgage broker exceptions, license standards, license applications, reciprocity, place of business, fees, and license renewal; to provide a penalty; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Industry, Business and Labor Committee introduced:

(At the request of the Commissioner of Insurance)

HB 1173: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapters 26.1-03.1 and 26.1-10.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to risk-based capital for insurers and disclosure of material transactions; and to amend and reenact section 26.1-03-11.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to confidentiality and sharing of certain information.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Rep. Kroeber introduced:

HB 1174: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-05.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to information required to be filed by lobbyists.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Rep. Clayburgh introduced:

HB 1175: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 6-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to relocation of a bank facility due to an emergency; and to amend and reenact sections 6-03-36 and 6-03-60 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the payment of dividends by a banking institution or association and loans to directors, officers, and employees.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Rep. Clayburgh introduced:

HB 1176: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 6-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to examination of credit union computer servicers; and to amend and reenact section 6-06-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to limitations on credit union borrowing.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3001: A concurrent resolution urging the Federal Grain Inspection Service to disseminate useful information about technological and

regulatory changes affecting the grading of wheat and to encourage the use of first official grades at destination ports.

Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3002: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to monitor the continued development of a continuum of services for the mentally ill and chemically dependent, including changes in the role of the State Hospital and expanded community services, to review the effectiveness of the clubhouse projects in Minot and Grand Forks, and to determine the feasibility and desirability of expanding the clubhouse model to other regions of the state.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3003: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study methods to improve the cost effectiveness and efficiency of the Department of Human Services child support collection system and to review the roles of clerks of court, regional child support enforcement units, and the Department of Human Services in providing a coordinated and effective child support enforcement program.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3004: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to monitor the development and operation of criminal justice information systems in North Dakota and to study policies and issues relating to the confidentiality, dissemination, and retention of criminal justice information.

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3005: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the problems associated with the unification of the state's judicial system into a single trial court of general jurisdiction, with emphasis on a review of venue statutes.

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3006: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of utilizing institutions of higher education to provide educational options and opportunities for North Dakota high school students.

Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3007: A concurrent resolution urging the institutions of higher education and the Education Standards and Practices Board to integrate regular and special education within teacher preparation programs.

Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3008: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of implementing recommendations by the North Dakota Health Task Force for improving the health status of North Dakotans, to monitor the rate of health care cost increases, to review the impact of newly enacted programs to improve the health status of North Dakotans, and to address unmet medical needs in rural areas.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

Legislative Council introduced:

HCR 3009: A concurrent resolution to create and enact a new article V of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to the executive branch of government, to the election, qualification, and compensation of executive officials, to the powers and duties of the governor, and to

gubernatorial succession; to repeal the present article V of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to the executive branch of government, to the election and qualification of executive officials, to the powers and duties of the governor, and to gubernatorial succession; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Joint Constitutional Revision Committee**.

Legislative Council introduced:

HR 3010: A concurrent resolution for the amendment of sections 3 and 4 of article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to the term of members of the house of representatives; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Joint Constitutional Revision Committee**.

Rep. Bateman introduced:

HR 3011: A concurrent resolution for the amendment of subsection 1 of section 6 of article VIII and sections 12 and 13 of article IX of the Constitution of North Dakota, relating to the names, locations, and missions of the institutions of higher education.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Joint Constitutional Revision Committee**.

THE HOUSE RECONVENED pursuant to recess taken, with Speaker Martin presiding.

JOINT SESSION

The Joint Session of the House and Senate convened at 2:00 p.m., with Speaker Martin presiding.

MOTIONS

REP. FREIER MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort Lt. Governor Myrdal to the rostrum, which motion prevailed. Speaker Martin appointed Reps. Olson and Monson to such committee and Lt. Governor Myrdal was escorted to the rostrum.

SPEAKER MARTIN PRESENTED Lt. Governor Myrdal to the Assembly and turned the gavel over to her.

REP. MUTZENBERGER MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort Pastor Craig Hanson to the rostrum, which motion prevailed. The chair appointed Rep. Gunter and Sen. Christmann to such committee and Pastor Craig Hanson was escorted to the rostrum.

REP. RYDELL MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort Mr. John Myrdal to a special reserved seat in the Assembly, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Sen. Sand and Rep. Holm to such committee and Mr. John Myrdal was escorted to a special reserved seat in the Assembly.

SEN. LIPS MOVED that a committee of four be appointed to escort the elected Officials of the Executive Branch to the rostrum, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Sens. DeMers and Tennefos and Reps. Timm and Kelsch to such committee and the elected officials of the Executive Branch were escorted into the Assembly.

REP. KRETSCHMAR MOVED that a committee of four be appointed to escort Associate Justices Levine, Sandstrom and Neumann of the Supreme Court to the rostrum, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Reps. Mahoney and Clayburgh and Sens. Krebsbach and Stenehjem to such committee and the Associate Justices were escorted into the Assembly.

SEN. TRAYNOR MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort Chief Justice Gerald E. Vandewalle to the rostrum, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Sen. Nething and Rep. Wentz to such committee and Chief Justice Vandewalle was escorted to the rostrum.

REP. LAUGHLIN MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort former Governor Arthur A. Link and Mrs. Link to special reserved seats in the Assembly, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Rep. Oban and Sen. Wogsland to such committee and former Governor Link and Mrs. Link were escorted to special reserved seats in the Assembly.

SEN. MUSHIK MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort former Chief Justice Ralph Erickstad and Mrs. Lois Erickstad to special reserved seats in the Assembly, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Sen. Streibel and Rep. Shide to such committee and former Chief Justice Erickstad and Mrs. Erickstad were escorted into the Assembly.

SEN. FREBORG MOVED that a committee of four be appointed to escort the members of the Governor's Cabinet to special reserved seats in the Assembly, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Sen. Solberg and Sen. Bowman and Rep. Belter and Rep. Carlson to such committee and the members of the Governor's Cabinet were escorted to special reserved seats in the Assembly.

REP. HAUSAUER MOVED that a committee of four be appointed to escort the Honorable Edward T. Schafer, Governor, to the rostrum and First Lady Nancy Schafer to a special reserved seat in the Assembly, which motion prevailed. The Chair appointed Sen. G. Nelson and Rep. Dorso to the escort committee and the Honorable Edward T. Schafer, Governor, was escorted to the rostrum. The Chair appointed Sen. Kringstad and Rep. Martinson to escort First Lady Nancy Schafer to a special reserved seat in the Assembly. Adjutant General Keith Bjerke was also appointed as the military escort for Governor Edward T. Schafer.

The Joint Session was called to order at 2:15 p.m., with Lt. Governor Myrdal presiding.

The colors were presented by the Color Guard from Troop 11, Northern Lights Council: Dick Dever, Scoutmaster; Andy James, Senior Patrol Leader; Preston Benson, U.S. Flag Bearer; Scott Schilling, State Flag Bearer; Mark Herold and Nick Keeling, Color Guards.

The invocation was offered by Pastor Craig Hanson, First Lutheran Church of Fargo.

A vocal selection was offered by the Lakota High School Mixed Ensemble directed by Ken Hoerth. Members of the Ensemble were Rick Frith, Michael Johnson, Marc Skjervem, Marla Yule, Malia Young, Elyssa Aardahl. The pianist was Suzanne Narum.

OATH OF OFFICE TO CHIEF JUSTICE

ASSOCIATE JUSTICE BERYL J. LEVINE ADMINISTERED the Oath of Office to Chief Justice Gerald E. Vandewalle.

OATH OF OFFICE TO ELECTED OFFICIALS

CHIEF JUSTICE GERALD E. VANDEWALLE ADMINISTERED the Oath of Office to Craig Hagen, Commissioner of Labor; Susan Wefald and Bruce Hagen, Public Service Commissioners.

A vocal selection was offered by the Lakota High School Mixed Ensemble.

Governor Edward T. Schafer presented his address.

GOVERNOR EDWARD T. SCHAFFER
1995 State of the State Address
January 3, 1995
"Keeping the Vision Alive"

Lt. Governor Myrdal, Mr. Speaker, Nancy, Governor and Mrs. Link, Chief Justice Vandewalle, fellow elected officials, distinguished members of the Legislature, cabinet members, and fellow North Dakotans:

It is my great honor to stand before you once again to assess the state of the state of North Dakota as we approach the turn of the millennium. It is a report of opportunity, optimism, and vision. It is a report of action; and it is a report that recounts our accomplishments the past year and sets an ambitious agenda for the coming year.

Nineteen-ninety-four was a good year for North Dakota. We distinguished ourselves by addressing tremendous challenges and difficult questions. Of course, our success was a combination of factors. It was timing; it was good fortune; and it was great weather. It was hard work; and it was understanding the importance of consciously enhancing the quality of life that makes North Dakota a special place to live.

Our economy grew in 1994. In fact, our November unemployment rate of three percent was a 16-year low, and almost 16,000 more people are working today than two years ago.

Furthermore, farm income was strong; manufacturing employment increased nearly nine percent; construction was robust; there was rapid expansion within the service sector; and we continued to blaze a trail as a national leader in telecommunications.

This increased activity had a positive effect on other areas of our society as well. The state Aid to Families of Dependent Children caseload was 5,137 in November--the lowest number since 1987. Our Medicaid caseload decreased, and we stemmed the tide of out-migration, reversing a decade-long trend.

This is good news, and yet we have much more to be proud of.

National crime statistics show North Dakota is the safest state in America.

We are home to the cleanest coal-generating electrical plants in the country, giving us the cleanest air in the United States.

Our education system continues to out-perform the country, and our university system is a beacon for agriculture research and preparing our young adults for the future.

Clearly, we are moving in the right direction. Importantly, we start from a solid foundation as we continue our quest for excellence in 1995.

Our administration's top focus in the coming year will be job creation and enhancing our reputation as a good place to do business, because I believe all our priorities are driven by a growing economy.

Five years ago, through the Vision 2000 project, North Dakotans were presented with a choice: We could seize the opportunity to build a better economic future for ourselves and our children, or we could let that opportunity pass us by.

The overriding conclusion is that North Dakotans, acting through our communities and through state and local governments, have taken control of our own destiny. We have chosen to compete, and the result is increasing prosperity and economic independence.

My role in this process has been to ensure that our actions encourage, rather than impede, growth. I have tried to develop and implement policies based on what is needed to create a better business climate to assist businesses already here, and to attract businesses of all size to North Dakota.

One such policy that I submit for your consideration is the repeal of the federal poverty wage provision currently on the Future Fund. I feel strongly that the prevailing marketplace should drive an employee's wage, not some restrictive government directive.

The MAGIC Fund in Minot is an excellent example of how this philosophy works. It has provided funding incentives for new businesses to locate in Minot without imposing a Future Fund-like wage requirement.

When a telecommunications company moved to Minot and opened for business, its employees were paid the state minimum wage of a little over \$4 an hour. Today, because of market demand for its product and the need to compete for workers in a limited labor pool, the average salary for employees at this company is more than \$8 an hour.

This proves that a competitive market will be an impetus for employers to pay a higher wage if they want to succeed.

I also believe that it is crucial for North Dakota to make a new commitment to workforce training.

In my budget, I have recommended \$2.5 million for the Workforce 2000 program. Today, we take another step to fix a fragmented state system, a structure that by its design makes it virtually impossible to direct training resources to the business community's most critical needs.

This morning, I signed an executive order creating the North Dakota Workforce Development Council. The council will have a majority of its members from business and industry, and also will include representatives from organized labor, education, and the executive branch of state government.

More significantly, it replaces many of the human resource advisory boards that until today had separate functions--such as the State Job Training Coordinating Council, the Private Industry Council, and JOBS.

The Workforce Development Council's primary responsibility during the next biennium will be to work closely with the state's business and industry sector to develop a long-term, comprehensive strategic plan for workforce training. Our goal is to transform the state's job training and employment-related efforts from a collection of freestanding programs into a well-coordinated, market-based workforce training system.

The Legislature must be a partner in this initiative, and I will direct the council to bring its strategic plan to this body for legislative approval in 1997.

Our hard work in economic development is beginning to pay dividends; the country is beginning to notice that our state and our people have a great deal to offer. But we cannot rest on our laurels.

We have to continue reinvesting in our future, and that means making sure the backbone of our economy--small business--is afforded the greatest opportunity to succeed.

In November, we reduced the unemployment insurance tax businesses pay for the second straight year. The reduction to .93 percent of taxable wages represents the lowest average tax rate since North Dakota's unemployment insurance program began in 1937.

While our actions provide business with an additional \$8 million to increase salaries, retain current workers and hire new ones, and upgrade technology, we still have a ways to go to reduce the cost of doing business in North Dakota.

We can take a giant step forward this session by passing an aggressive workers compensation reform package that, among other things:

Eliminates the permanent partial impairments system and replaces it with a permanent partial disability payment system;

Makes all attorney's fees payable on a must-win basis;

Sets a time-certain on claims into the bureau;

Creates a separate fraud division within the bureau;

And enables the employer to select the treating physician in the event an employee is injured on the job.

I want to say publicly how proud I am of the employees at the Bureau. Through their dedication and commitment, we have made adopted policies that helped employers contain costs, improved service to injured workers, and made the fund more solvent. The package I have just described complements our previous efforts, and I ask for your support in our battle against rising costs.

Another important economic development initiative is tax reform. State Budget Director Rod Backman brought together some of the brightest tax minds from the private sector last year to examine state tax and fiscal policy in detail. Guided by four principles--fairness, neutrality, effectiveness, and simplicity--the Tax Team recommends a number of changes for your consideration.

All major taxes are relevant to interstate competition and economic development, of course, but the corporate income tax rate is the most visible aspect of how a state views business.

This poses a problem for North Dakota.

The current corporate income tax ranges from a low of three percent to a high of 10.5 percent--depending on taxable income. A business also can deduct 100 percent of its federal income tax liability.

It is important to note, however, that North Dakota is one of only five states that provide a federal tax deduction to corporations. The major drawback with our system is the difficulty in accurately comparing our rates with other states.

The result is often misleading national comparisons that put North Dakota in a negative light. And if we are portrayed in a negative light, we are at a disadvantage.

We can correct this problem by repealing the federal tax deduction for corporate income tax, and we can accomplish this change in a manner that is revenue-neutral to the state treasury.

Repealing the corporate federal income tax deduction will accomplish a number of things. It will lower the highest rate to 7.4 percent; it will simplify corporate tax law and enable North Dakota to become more uniform with other states; it will eliminate a significant audit issue; it will make it easier to prepare corporate tax returns and easier for the state Tax Department to administer the tax; and it will eliminate the appearance of a less favorable tax climate because of a higher top rate.

Workers comp reform and tax reform are important economic development initiatives, but they are just two pieces of the big puzzle. Other pieces include education, social services, health care facilities, environmental practices, and a strong criminal justice system.

Collectively, these issues impact the health, safety, and well-being of every North Dakotan--not just special interest groups or political parties--and it would be irresponsible if we didn't address them this session.

First and foremost, we must continue to protect North Dakota's most important and promising attributes--our children.

North Dakota can significantly improve the future of its children by involving families and communities. Through collaborative efforts, such as the work of the regional and tribal Children's Services Coordinating Committees, we can develop ways for all children to achieve their maximum potential.

North Dakota must continue to be a caring community that believes in the worth of children as our greatest resource. The role of state government is to make optimum use of the time and existing resources in all agencies dealing with education, health, and safety of families.

We must take advantage of every opportunity to attract federal dollars, and we must aggressively pursue grants and assistance from foundations--that is our goal in the coming year. It is my hope that we will direct some of the resources in the executive budget recommendation to prevention and early intervention, since these are the most compassionate and cost-effective methods of helping children and families.

Nothing affects the future of North Dakota and its people more than education.

I experienced this firsthand earlier today when the Governor's office unveiled a new program we're calling "Adopt A Class." The first new member of our family is the second grade class at Solheim Elementary School in Bismarck, which Nancy and I visited this morning. This is a special class for many reasons, but the most obvious is its teacher--Ellen Knudson.

Ellen's boundless energy and love for her students has made her a shining star in a profession filled with thousands of shining lights. Ellen just doesn't teach--she ignites a passion for learning in every student.

Her dedication to children, and her commitment to teaching made her the choice as the 1995 North Dakota Teacher of the Year. Ladies and gentlemen, I'd like to introduce you to our special guest, Ellen Knudson.

In our visit, Nancy and I told the students that if they aim high and work hard, like Mrs. Knudson, they can reach their goals. This message applies to the work we do here, as well.

In the coming months, we have to aim high and work together to ensure that every child has the skills to succeed in a highly competitive and rapidly changing job market. To make the most of this opportunity, we must all be aware--and involved--in our schools and educational choices for our children.

I believe information about our schools and their performance should be available and easily understandable. Parents must be empowered with knowledge so they can make the best educational choices for their children.

Therefore, I am offering legislation to create a North Dakota School Report--a "consumer guide" to schools, if you will. This bill establishes a comprehensive and detailed annual report on every K through 12 building in North Dakota. The legislation also directs the Goals 2000 planning committee

to devise the criteria for the School Report, with implementation set in the spring of 1996.

This is an important first step in giving North Dakota educators, parents, and taxpayers the facts needed to make informed choices about the future of education in our state. Also, the North Dakota School Report will allow every taxpayer to better understand their school's resources and the performance of their students.

Together, we are making real progress on our education agenda. More than 10,000 high school students have access to instruction delivered via interactive television; thousands of students have access to ODIN library sources through the Send-It computer program; we are aggressively pursuing our school improvement planning process; and of course, as I outlined in my budget message last month, we are addressing the equity issue with school financing.

In the coming year, our administration also will be pursuing the National Governors' Association education goals. They address such issues as making sure that all children start school ready to learn; reducing the dropout rate; drug-free and violence-free schools, and school-to-work experiences for every student.

Higher education is also facing many challenges this year.

The North Dakota University System is in a state of transition as campuses continue to implement the seven-year plan. I commend Chancellor Larry Isaak and the university presidents for working hard to get more mileage out of the education dollars we appropriate.

But the single university system, which we support, has reached a crossroads: They can let the seven-year plan languish on the shelf without any true intent of implementation, or they can move more dramatically to put the plan in place.

I believe in higher education, but the priorities of every state-supported university need to be restated and more clearly articulated if the system is to maintain the public's trust. The higher education leadership must continue to examine and reexamine closely who does what and why.

It is imperative the system move forward as one, with the common goal of working together to make the best use of its talent and resources.

Welfare reform will be another priority of this administration in 1995. I think we all agree changes are needed in the welfare system. Some of our current welfare programs are actually models of inefficiency and confusion.

Through the leadership of Human Services Director Bud Wessman and the hard work of the Welfare Reform Task Force, we are in the process of fundamentally changing the welfare culture in North Dakota.

Our plan is called TEEM, and it stands for Training, Education, Employment, and Management. Once implemented, it will shift the responsibility of self-sufficiency from a state function to a shared responsibility between the family and the state--with the final responsibility resting with the family.

Our objectives are focused, beginning with the standardization, streamlining, and simplification of program rules. Other components include the distribution of benefits on a basis of a social contract, allowing families to retain a more reasonable level of resources to qualify for assistance, and engaging the private sector as a major partner.

The cornerstone of our package is legislation which will allow the Department of Human Services to seek federal authorization for a demonstration project

to combine benefits under the Aid to Families with Dependent Children, Fuel Assistance, and Food Stamp programs.

The bill also expedites the department's rulemaking process, and states that the waiver guidelines will supersede any statutes or rules already on the books that may prohibit certain activity.

Our proposal also recognizes the importance of a strong child support program which requires noncustodial parents to share in the support of their children. Several bills have been introduced this session that, if approved, will strengthen our enforcement and collection processes, and will establish clear paternity acknowledgment.

Some of the results of our efforts will be apparent immediately, but many of our actions will greatly increase the chances that, 10 years down the road, a new generation will be able and ready to take care of themselves.

They will be able to find gainful employment ... to raise a family and care for that family in a loving and safe environment ... to make a positive contribution to society.

Health care also is a concern across the state, and this legislature can take dramatic steps to implement programs that will increase efficiency, improve the quality of care, increase access, and make health care more affordable for all North Dakotans.

Last year, I requested that the efforts of the North Dakota Health Task Force be compiled in a single, comprehensive health care reform bill. That bill is now ready for your consideration, and I want to commend Dr. Jon Rice for his strong leadership in guiding this process the past two years.

There is much in the bill that I support, including the development and implementation of a standardized claim form; better health care data to encourage cost-conscious behavior; the creation of health care cooperatives; limiting attorneys' fees and damage awards in medical malpractice lawsuits; and establishing Medical Savings Accounts.

In addition, we can accomplish real health care reform without spending a lot of money. The executive budget recommendation sets aside \$4.5 million to begin this process, and I again urge you to conduct your work within this boundary.

As I stated earlier, North Dakota is the safest place in the country. That doesn't mean we are insulated from crime, however. A particular concern the past year is the increasing number of incidents involving juvenile offenses.

Let me say this at the outset: North Dakota has the best kids in the world. They are fresh faces, bright minds, and good citizens. But a few cause some danger to society.

Today, I propose that we deal quickly and firmly with violent juveniles who defy our laws. To those youth, the legislature should send a clear message: Violence will produce swift and serious consequences because we are going to bring the full weight of the law against you.

I urge you to support the legislation brought forth by the Juvenile Justice Task Force, which I formed last year. The members worked hard, and their proposals aren't knee-jerk reactions. For instance, it's time we remove much of the mystery from the juvenile system by loosening the confidentiality provisions surrounding juvenile arrests.

We should make it a felony to recruit kids into gangs or direct kids to carry out gang-related activity; and we should require an automatic transfer of juveniles to adult court if they commit murder, attempted murder, kidnapping, or gross sexual imposition.

We should take a juvenile's driving privileges away if the offender commits a felony or a serious misdemeanor offense; and parents who refuse to participate with their kids in treatment programs should be held in contempt of court.

Some say our focus on juvenile crime should be education; others say job training is the answer. Others want more probation and parole officers, and some have said we can solve many of our problems by putting more money into prevention.

None of these alone is the solution, but together all of them are ingredients for a successful juvenile offender program. We must join together as community partners to head off a potentially serious problem.

Right after I took office, Idaho Governor Cecil Andrus told me I would be well-served by attending to the lessons in the three R's--refine, rethink, and reinvent. That was valuable advice, and last year I directed a five-member task force to apply the three R's to the 150 boards and commissions under the Governor's purview.

During the past several decades, state government created new boards and commissions to deal with just about every concern under the sun--regardless of their need or relevance. That practice stops today as I offer for your consideration several initiatives in this area.

In all, we are proposing action on more than 33 boards and commissions. Some have been tagged for elimination through the legislative process; others will be asked to reduce their membership. Also, this morning I signed an executive order that eliminated almost a dozen entities currently on the boards and commissions list.

Our work is far from finished, though. This exercise revealed a serious flaw in our boards and commissions process. The situation exists today where a professional pays a licensing fee to a board, yet there is no accountability procedure for that regulatory body.

Our study revealed that one licensing board had given a loan to its director, then called it something else on the financial statements. The task force's work also led to criminal charges in the fall against a regulatory board accountant who wasn't a state-licensed accountant.

Financial statements of all licensing boards should be reviewed--in detail--by the State Auditor's office, or some other entity, possibly even the legislature. Presently, no agency followup on licensing boards takes place to insure financial statements are being reviewed, or even if they are accurate.

To this end, I am asking the legislature to work with my office during the interim to study the possibility of placing all licensing boards and commissions under a single agency.

My friends, we have been sent to this great Capitol complex to chart a course for the future. We are here to represent the best interests of every North Dakotan, and my commitment to you is openness and goodwill in ambitiously carrying out this directive.

As legislators, your understanding of the needs and desires of your respective districts provides a vital link between the community and regional interests, and those of the state. As we begin this important legislative session, we should ask ourselves a fundamental question: How can we make North Dakota's achievements of tomorrow eclipse those of today?

This is a difficult question, but through bold action, courage, and vision, we can find the answer.

I have placed before you an agenda of change ... an agenda of progress. When we leave the legislature three months from now, let's have made it an agenda of achievement for the people of North Dakota.

The issues before us transcend politics. We can't decide our state's course as Democrats and Republicans; as urban or rural, as legislative or executive. Last night, in preparing for this address, I took a walk around the Capitol mall. I saw many things.

Beyond the sheer beauty, I saw the Great Plains Indians and their environmental wisdom, lore, and culture.

I saw the pioneers struggling to carve a new life out of raw prairies.

I saw our veterans fighting for democracy and freedom.

I saw children laughing, singing, and leaping for joy.

And today, as I look out across this audience, I see the future.

Ladies and gentlemen, we must approach our challenges as North Dakotans who believe the greatest gifts government can bestow are opportunity, independence, and hope.

Please, join me in having the vision to make grand plans, and the dedication to accomplish great things.

Thank you, and Godspeed.

The Governor's speech was signed by Mary Heintz, Bismarck.

MOTION

REP. DORSO MOVED that the remarks of the Honorable Edward T. Schafer, Governor, be printed in the Journal, which motion prevailed.

The benediction was offered by Pastor Craig Hanson.

THE CHAIR REQUESTED that legislators and guests remain in their seats until the Governor and elected state officials were escorted from the House Chamber.

THE CHAIR APPOINTED Brigadier General Keith D. Bjerke to escort the Honorable Edward T. Schafer, Governor, First Lady Nancy Schafer and Mr. John Myrdal from the Assembly.

THE CHAIR DECLARED the Joint Session dissolved.

The House stood adjourned pursuant to Representative Freier's motion.

ROY GILBREATH, Chief Clerk