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Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 52-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the establishment of an unemployment insurance advisory council.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 52-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **52-02-07. State and local unemployment insurance advisory councils appointed**  
7 **by bureau council - Composition - Duties - Compensation.**

- 8 1. The bureau executive director shall appoint a state an unemployment insurance  
9 advisory council and may appoint local advisory councils, composed in each case  
10 of an equal number of employer representatives and employee representatives  
11 who may be regarded fairly as representative because of their vocation,  
12 employment, or affiliations, and of such members representing the general public  
13 as the bureau may designate. Such councils shall aid the bureau in formulating  
14 policies, and discussing problems related to the administration of the bureau and in  
15 assuring impartiality and freedom from political influence in the solution of such  
16 problems consisting of seven members:
- 17 a. Three members who represent employers must be initially appointed from a  
18 list of seven names submitted by the greater North Dakota association. Of  
19 the members first appointed, one member shall serve a term of one year, one  
20 member shall serve a term of two years, and one member shall serve a term  
21 of three years. Thereafter, the term of office of each member is three years.  
22 The greater North Dakota association shall submit a list of three names to the  
23 executive director by August first of each year and the executive director shall  
24 appoint a member to the council within thirty days after August first. Each list

- 1                   of names submitted to the executive director under this subdivision must  
2                   include the name of at least one representative of an employer who is in the  
3                   negative employer rate group and may include the names of individuals who  
4                   are not members of the greater North Dakota association.
- 5                   b. Three members who represent employees must be initially appointed from a  
6                   list of seven names submitted by the North Dakota American federation of  
7                   labor-congress of industrial organizations. Of the members first appointed,  
8                   one member shall serve a term of one year, one member shall serve a term of  
9                   two years, and one member shall serve a term of three years. Thereafter, the  
10                   term of office of each member is three years. The North Dakota American  
11                   federation of labor-congress of industrial organizations shall submit a list of  
12                   three names to the executive director by August first of each year and the  
13                   executive director shall appoint a member to the council within thirty days  
14                   after August first.
- 15                   c. One member who must be a resident of the state and who shall serve as the  
16                   chairman of the council must be appointed for a three-year term of office.
- 17                   2. A vacancy on the council may be filled by the executive director from a list of  
18                   names previously submitted by the entity that the member represented or from a  
19                   new list of names solicited by the executive director from that entity.
- 20                   3. The unemployment insurance advisory council shall advise job service North  
21                   Dakota regarding issues relating to the operations, effectiveness, fairness, and  
22                   efficiency of the unemployment insurance program, and on such related issues or  
23                   concerns brought to the council's attention by the executive director or the  
24                   executive director's designee. The council shall meet at the call of the chairman or  
25                   at the call of the executive director.
- 26                   4. The state members of the unemployment insurance advisory council must be  
27                   reimbursed for any necessary expenses but shall serve without further and are  
28                   entitled to receive compensation except such as may be authorized and fixed by  
29                   the bureau by regulation. Local advisory councils may be reimbursed for any  
30                   necessary expenses but must serve without further compensation in the sum of  
31                   fifty dollars per day spent in attendance at meetings.