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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 governor shall appoint a state an unemployment insurance advisory~~  
9 ~~council and may appoint local advisory councils, composed in each case of an~~  
10 ~~equal number of employer representatives and employee representatives who may~~  
11 ~~be regarded fairly as representative because of their vocation, employment, or~~  
12 ~~affiliations, and of such members representing the general public as the bureau~~  
13 ~~may designate. Such councils shall aid the bureau in formulating policies, and~~  
14 ~~discussing problems related to the administration of the bureau and in assuring~~  
15 ~~impartiality and freedom from political influence in the solution of such problems~~  
16 ~~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 ~~governor by August first of each year and the governor shall appoint a~~  
24 ~~member to the council within thirty days after August first. Each list of names~~

1                   submitted to the governor under this subdivision must include the name of at  
2                   least one representative of an employer who is in the negative employer rate  
3                   group and may include the names of individuals who are not members of the  
4                   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 governor by August first of each year and the governor  
13                   shall appoint a member to the council within thirty days after August first.

14                   c. One member who must be a resident of the state and who shall serve as the  
15                   chairman of the council must be appointed for a three-year term of office.

16                   2. A vacancy on the council may be filled by the governor from a list of names  
17                   previously submitted by the entity that the member represented or from a new list  
18                   of names solicited by the governor from that entity.

19                   3. The unemployment insurance advisory council shall advise job service North  
20                   Dakota regarding issues relating to the operations, effectiveness, fairness, and  
21                   efficiency of the unemployment insurance program, and on such related issues or  
22                   concerns brought to the council's attention by the executive director or the  
23                   executive director's designee. The council shall meet at the call of the chairman or  
24                   at the call of the executive director.

25                   4. The ~~state~~ members of the unemployment insurance advisory council must be  
26                   reimbursed for any necessary expenses ~~but shall serve without further~~ and are  
27                   entitled to receive compensation ~~except such as may be authorized and fixed by~~  
28                   the bureau by regulation. ~~Local advisory councils may be reimbursed for any~~  
29                   necessary expenses ~~but must serve without further compensation~~ in the sum of  
30                   fifty dollars per day spent in attendance at meetings.