

**Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005**

SENATE BILL NO. 2257  
(Senators Trenbeath, Lyson, Traynor)  
(Representatives Delmore, Hawken, Klemin)

AN ACT to provide for a legislative council study of the feasibility and desirability of creating a diversion program for people who have written bad checks.

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

**SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY - BAD CHECK DIVERSION PROGRAM.**

During the 2005-06 interim, the legislative council shall consider studying the feasibility and desirability of creating a diversion program for people who have written bad checks as an alternative to prosecution. In performing the study, the legislative council shall seek input from interested persons, including the judicial branch, state's attorneys, and the North Dakota trial lawyers association. The legislative council shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixtieth legislative assembly.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2257.

Senate Vote:    Yeas    47        Nays    0        Absent    0

House Vote:    Yeas    61        Nays    27       Absent    6

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005,  
at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State