

HOUSE BILL NO. 1245

Introduced by

Representatives Kretschmar, Brandenburg, Maragos

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 1 and 2 of section 16.1-16-01 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to election recounts.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 16.1-16-01 of the North Dakota
5 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 6 1. A recount must be conducted when:
- 7 a. Any individual failed to be nominated in a primary election by one percent or less
8 of the ~~highest vote~~total number of votes cast for ~~at the nominated~~ candidate for the
9 office ~~sought~~who had the fewest number of votes.
- 10 b. Any individual failed to be elected in a general or special election by one-half of
11 one percent or less of the ~~highest vote~~total number of votes cast for ~~at the elected~~
12 candidate for that office who had the fewest number of votes.
- 13 c. A question, measure, or bond issue submitted to the qualified electors has been
14 decided by a margin not exceeding one-fourth of one percent of the total vote
15 cast for and against the question at any election.

16 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 2 of section 16.1-16-01 of the North Dakota
17 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 18 2. A demand for a recount may be made by any of the following:
- 19 a. Any individual who failed to be nominated in a primary election by more than one
20 percent and less than two percent of the ~~highest vote~~total number of votes cast
21 for ~~at the nominated~~ candidate for the office ~~sought~~who had the fewest number of
22 votes.
- 23 b. Any individual who failed to be elected in a general or special election by more
24 than one-half of one percent and less than two percent of the ~~highest vote~~total

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- 1 number of votes cast for athe elected candidate for that office who had the fewest
- 2 number of votes.