

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1244**

Introduced by

Representatives Haak, Beadle, Kretschmar, Maragos, Muscha, Seibel

Senators Davison, Oban, Poolman, Sorvaag

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-06-14.5 of the North Dakota Century Code
2 as created by section 1 of House Bill No. 1387, as approved by the sixty-fourth legislative
3 assembly, relating to state employee use of sick leave and annual leave.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-06-14.5 of the North Dakota Century Code as
6 created by section 1 of House Bill No. 1387, as approved by the sixty-fourth legislative
7 assembly, is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 **54-06-14.5. Use of sick leave and annual leave - Birth or adoption - Family leave**
9 **priority.**

- 10 1. During the first six ~~weeks~~months following birth or placement, an employer shall grant
11 an employee's request to use up to ~~one hundred sixty hours~~six weeks of sick leave
12 under section 54-06-14 to care for the employee's newborn child or to care for a child
13 placed with the employee, by a child-placing agency licensed under chapter 50-12, for
14 adoption or placed with the employee as a precondition to adoption under section
15 14-15-12, but not both. The employer shall compensate the employee for leave used
16 by the employee under this subsection on the same basis as the employee would be
17 compensated if the leave had been taken due to the employee's illness, medical
18 needs, or health needs. This subsection does not prevent an employee from using
19 sick leave for the employee's illness, medical needs, or health needs following the
20 birth of a child or from using leave under section 54-52.4-03.
- 21 2. If an employee requests to use annual leave under section 54-06-14 for any of the
22 reasons identified under subsection 1 of section 54-52.4-02, the employer shall give
23 priority to the request.