

## JOURNAL OF THE SENATE

### Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly

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**Bismarck, February 6, 2017**

The Senate convened at 1:00 p.m., with President Sanford presiding.

The prayer was offered by Chaplain Sam Saylor, Gateway Community Fellowship, Bismarck.

The roll was called and all members were present except Senators Bowman, Davison, Holmberg, and Schaible.

A quorum was declared by the President.

#### MOTION

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that SB 2009 be placed at the bottom of the calendar, which motion prevailed.

#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**SB 2145: SEN. VEDAA (Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 284 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**SB 2287: SEN. MARCELLAIS (Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 285 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

**SB 2123: SEN. CLEMENS (Transportation Committee) MOVED** that the amendments on SJ page 284 be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

#### SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

**SB 2271:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 48-05-10, 48-05-11, and 48-05-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to energy conservation measures.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Anderson; Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Burckhard; Campbell; Casper; Clemens; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Grabinger; Heckaman; Hogue; Kannianen; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Laffen; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Nelson; Oban; Oehlke; Osland; Piepkorn; Poolman; Robinson; Roers; Rust; Sorvaag; Unruh; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

Engrossed SB 2271 passed.

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#### SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

**SB 2107:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 37-01-47 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to health insurance coverage for national guard service members; to amend and reenact sections 37-04-08 and 37-07-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to pay and benefits of national guard members; to provide for retroactive application; and to declare an emergency.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Anderson; Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Burckhard; Campbell; Casper; Clemens; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Grabinger; Heckaman; Hogue; Kannianen; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Laffen; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Nelson; Oban; Oehlke; Osland; Piepkorn; Poolman; Robinson; Roers; Rust; Sorvaag; Unruh; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

Engrossed SB 2107 passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2176:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision e of subsection 1 of section 39-08-01, subsection 3 of section 39-08-01.2, sections 39-20-03.1 and 39-20-03.2, subsection 2 of section 39-20-05, and subsection 3 of section 39-20-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to driving under the influence; and to repeal section 39-20-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to driving under the influence.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Anderson; Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Burckhard; Campbell; Casper; Clemens; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Grabinger; Heckaman; Hogue; Kannianen; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Laffen; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Nelson; Oban; Oehlke; Osland; Piepkorn; Poolman; Robinson; Roers; Rust; Sorvaag; Unruh; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

Engrossed SB 2176 passed.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2187:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06-37 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to developmental disability reimbursements; to provide for a report to the legislative management; and to provide a contingent effective date.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 33 YEAS, 10 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Anderson; Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Burckhard; Campbell; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Heckaman; Hogue; Kannianen; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Laffen; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Luick; Myrdal; Oehlke; Osland; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers; Rust; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner

**NAYS:** Casper; Clemens; Grabinger; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Nelson; Oban; Robinson; Unruh

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

Engrossed SB 2187 passed.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2336:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-08.1-03.1, 16.1-08.1-03.13, and 16.1-08.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to contributions to and expenditures of campaigns for initiated or referred measures.

**MOTION**

**SEN. MATHERN MOVED** that SB 2336 be amended as follows, which motion failed on a voice vote.

Page 1, line 2, after the first "to" insert "reporting"

Page 2, line 24, remove "A person, political action committee, or measure committee that is soliciting or"

Page 2, remove lines 25 through 30

Page 3, line 1, remove "6."

Page 4, line 26, remove "A sponsoring committee may not accept contributions exceeding fifty percent of its"

Page 4, remove lines 27 and 28

Page 4, line 29, remove "9."

Page 5, line 15, replace "10." with "9."

ReNUMBER accordingly

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO NOT PASS, the roll was called and there were 5 YEAS, 38 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Anderson; Heckaman; Kannianen; Larsen, O.; Vedaa

**NAYS:** Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Burckhard; Campbell; Casper; Clemens; Cook; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Grabinger; Hogue; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Laffen; Larson, D.; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Nelson; Oban; Oehlke; Osland; Piepkorn; Poolman; Robinson; Roers; Rust; Sorvaag; Unruh; Wanzek; Wardner

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

SB 2336 failed.

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**SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL**

**SB 2215:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 23-49 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to hospital discharge policies.

**ROLL CALL**

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 27 YEAS, 16 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Casper; Clemens; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Grabinger; Heckaman; Kannianen; Klein; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee, J.; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Nelson; Oban; Oehlke; Osland; Poolman; Robinson; Unruh; Wanzek; Wardner

**NAYS:** Anderson; Burckhard; Campbell; Cook; Hogue; Kilzer; Krebsbach; Kreun; Laffen;

Lee, G.; Myrdal; Piepkorn; Roers; Rust; Sorvaag; Vedaa

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

SB 2215 passed.

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#### SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

**SB 2204:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 37-17.1 and a new section to chapter 39-06.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of a statewide interoperability radio network fund and surcharges assessed for certain traffic violations; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO NOT PASS, the roll was called and there were 26 YEAS, 17 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Anderson; Burckhard; Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Grabinger; Heckaman; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larson, D.; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Myrdal; Nelson; Oban; Oehlke; Osland; Robinson; Sorvaag; Wanzek; Wardner

**NAYS:** Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Campbell; Casper; Clemens; Cook; Hogue; Kannianen; Laffen; Larsen, O.; Meyer; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers; Rust; Unruh; Vedaa

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

SB 2204 passed.

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#### SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

**SB 2247:** A BILL for an Act to repeal section 39-01-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the prohibition against parking meters.

#### ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 33 YEAS, 10 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 4 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

**YEAS:** Anderson; Armstrong; Bekkedahl; Burckhard; Campbell; Casper; Clemens; Cook; Grabinger; Heckaman; Kannianen; Krebsbach; Kreun; Laffen; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Nelson; Oban; Oehlke; Osland; Piepkorn; Robinson; Roers; Rust; Sorvaag; Unruh; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner

**NAYS:** Dever; Dotzenrod; Erbele; Hogue; Kilzer; Klein; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Myrdal; Poolman

**ABSENT AND NOT VOTING:** Bowman; Davison; Holmberg; Schaible

SB 2247 passed.

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#### MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

**MR. PRESIDENT:** The House has passed, and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1293.

#### MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

**MR. PRESIDENT:** The House has passed, the emergency clause carried, and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1193, HB 1304, HB 1426.

#### MOTION

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that the absent members be excused, which motion prevailed.

**MOTION**

**SEN. KLEIN MOVED** that the Senate be on the Fourth, Fifth, Ninth, and Thirteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the Senate stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 7, 2017, which motion prevailed.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2019: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2019 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, replace lines 12 through 21 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$4,763,504	\$101,303	\$4,864,807
Operating expenses	1,267,340	(26,751)	1,240,589
Grants	31,240,290	1,302,566	32,542,856
Grants - postsecondary	661,113	(74,406)	586,707
Adult farm management	660,438	(80,616)	579,822
Workforce training	<u>2,803,500</u>	<u>(203,500)</u>	<u>2,600,000</u>
Total all funds	\$41,396,185	\$1,018,596	\$42,414,781
Less estimated income	<u>9,697,887</u>	<u>2,395,779</u>	<u>12,093,666</u>
Total general fund	\$31,698,298	(\$1,377,183)	\$30,321,115
Full-time equivalent positions	26.50	(1.00)	25.50

**SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-fourth legislative assembly for the 2015-17 biennium and the 2017-19 one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2015-17</u>	<u>2017-19</u>
School district and area center grants	\$0	\$2,477,000
Total special funds	\$0	\$2,477,000

The 2017-19 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the 2019-21 biennium. The department of career and technical education shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-sixth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.

**SECTION 3. ESTIMATED INCOME - FOUNDATION AID STABILIZATION FUND.** The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$2,477,000 from the foundation aid stabilization fund for providing grants to school districts and area centers."

ReNUMBER accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2019 - Dept. of Career and Technical Education - Senate Action**

	<b>Base Budget</b>	<b>Senate Changes</b>	<b>Senate Version</b>
Salaries and wages	\$4,763,504	\$101,303	\$4,864,807
Operating expenses	1,267,340	(26,751)	1,240,589
Grants	31,240,290	1,302,566	32,542,856
Grants - Postsecondary	661,113	(74,406)	586,707
Adult farm management	660,438	(80,616)	579,822
Workforce training	<u>2,803,500</u>	<u>(203,500)</u>	<u>2,600,000</u>
Total all funds	\$41,396,185	\$1,018,596	\$42,414,781
Less estimated income	<u>9,697,887</u>	<u>2,395,779</u>	<u>12,093,666</u>
General fund	\$31,698,298	(\$1,377,183)	\$30,321,115
FTE	26.50	(1.00)	25.50

**Department No. 270 - Dept. of Career and Technical Education - Detail of Senate Changes**

	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes <sup>1</sup>	Adds Funding for Health Insurance Increases <sup>2</sup>	Removes 1 FTE Position <sup>3</sup>	Adjusts Base Level Funding <sup>4</sup>	Adjusts Other State-Funded Grants <sup>5</sup>	Adjusts Postsecondary Grants <sup>6</sup>
Salaries and wages	(\$136,006)	\$68,691		\$168,618		
Operating expenses				(26,751)		
Grants					(1,174,434)	
Grants - Postsecondary						(74,406)
Adult farm management						
Workforce training						
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>(\$136,006)</b>	<b>\$68,691</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$141,867</b>	<b>(\$1,174,434)</b>	<b>(\$74,406)</b>
Less estimated income	(81,221)	0	0	0	0	0
<b>General fund</b>	<b>(\$54,785)</b>	<b>\$68,691</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$141,867</b>	<b>(\$1,174,434)</b>	<b>(\$74,406)</b>
FTE	0.00	0.00	(1.00)	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Adjusts Adult Farm Management Grants <sup>7</sup>	Adjusts Workforce Training Grants <sup>8</sup>	Adds One-Time Funding for School District and Area Center Grants <sup>9</sup>	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages				\$101,303
Operating expenses				(26,751)
Grants			2,477,000	1,302,566
Grants - Postsecondary				(74,406)
Adult farm management	(80,616)			(80,616)
Workforce training		(203,500)		(203,500)
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>(\$80,616)</b>	<b>(\$203,500)</b>	<b>\$2,477,000</b>	<b>\$1,018,596</b>
Less estimated income	0	0	2,477,000	2,395,779
<b>General fund</b>	<b>(\$80,616)</b>	<b>(\$203,500)</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$1,377,183)</b>
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1.00)

<sup>1</sup> Funding is adjusted for cost-to-continue 2015-17 biennium salaries and benefit and other base payroll changes.

<sup>2</sup> Funding is added for increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,130 to \$1,249 per month.

<sup>3</sup> One FTE position is removed. As a result of the 2015-17 biennium budget reductions, the department removed funding of \$171,382 for this FTE position.

<sup>4</sup> Base level funding is adjusted as follows:

	General Fund
Salaries and wages - Restores funding from 2015-17 biennium budget reductions	\$168,618
Operating expenses	(26,751)
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$141,867</b>

<sup>5</sup> Funding is reduced for state-funded grants.

<sup>6</sup> Funding is reduced for postsecondary grants.

<sup>7</sup> Funding is reduced for the adult farm management program.

<sup>8</sup> Funding is reduced for workforce training grants.

<sup>9</sup> One-time funding is added from the foundation aid stabilization fund for school district and area center grants.

Sections 2 and 3 are added identifying that the appropriation includes \$2,477,000 of one-time funding from the foundation aid stabilization fund for grants to school districts and area centers.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2023: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2023 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, replace lines 12 through 16 with:

"Racing commission	\$546,551	(\$3,958)	\$542,593
Total all funds	\$546,551	(\$3,958)	\$542,593
Less estimated income	158,730	3,827	162,557
Total general fund	\$387,821	(\$7,785)	\$380,036
Full-time equivalent positions	2.00	0.00	2.00"

ReNUMBER accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2023 - Racing Commission - Senate Action**

	Base Budget	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Racing Commission	\$546,551	(\$3,958)	\$542,593
Total all funds	\$546,551	(\$3,958)	\$542,593
Less estimated income	158,730	3,827	162,557
General fund	\$387,821	(\$7,785)	\$380,036
FTE	2.00	0.00	2.00

**Department No. 670 - Racing Commission - Detail of Senate Changes**

	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes <sup>1</sup>	Adds Funding for Health Insurance Increase <sup>2</sup>	Restores Funding for Operating Expenses <sup>3</sup>	Total Senate Changes
Racing Commission	(\$9,889)	\$5,724	\$207	(\$3,958)
Total all funds	(\$9,889)	\$5,724	\$207	(\$3,958)
Less estimated income	3,827	0	0	3,827
General fund	(\$13,716)	\$5,724	\$207	(\$7,785)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> Funding is adjusted for cost-to-continue 2015-17 biennium salaries and benefit increases and for other base payroll changes.

<sup>2</sup> Funding is added for increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,130 to \$1,249 per month.

<sup>3</sup> Funding is added for operating expenses, to restore a portion of the funding reduced during the 2015-17 biennium as a result of general fund budget reductions.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2134: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Unruh, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2134 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 10, replace "sections" with "segments"

Page 1, line 12, replace "sections" with "segments"

Page 1, line 12, after "project" insert "dams"

Page 1, line 13, remove "and extends"

Page 1, line 14, replace "Garrison dam" with "northern boundary of the Fort Berthold reservation"

Page 1, line 14, replace "thirty-one and thirty-two" with "thirty-three and thirty-four"

Page 1, line 15, replace "fifty-four" with "fifty-three"

Page 1, line 15, replace the second "one" with "two"

Page 1, line 16, replace "fifty-two and four tenths" with "sixty-five"

Page 1, line 16, replace "South Dakota border" with "northern boundary of the Standing Rock Indian reservation"

Page 1, line 17, replace "two hundred ninety-nine" with "three hundred three. Mineral ownership of the riverbed segments inundated by Pick-Sloan Missouri basin project dams which are located within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold reservation and Standing Rock Indian reservation are excluded from this section and must be determined under federal law"

Renumber accordingly

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2217: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman)** recommends **DO NOT PASS** (5 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2217 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2282: Energy and Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Unruh, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2282 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 17, after "sight" insert "not to exceed four-power magnification"

Renumber accordingly

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2292: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman)** recommends **DO NOT PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2292 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2293: Human Services Committee (Sen. J. Lee, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2293 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2304: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (5 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2304 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2305: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman)** recommends **DO NOT PASS** (5 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2305 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

#### REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

**SB 2309: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Armstrong, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2309 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.



**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2343: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Poolman, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** and **BE REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2343 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 16.1-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to campaign disclosure statements; to amend and reenact section 16.1-08.1-01, subsections 6 and 7 of section 16.1-08.1-02.1, sections 16.1-08.1-03.1 and 16.1-08.1-03.3, subsection 3 of section 16.1-08.1-05, and subsection 5 of section 16.1-12-02.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions, campaign disclosure statements, and use of campaign contributions; to repeal sections 16.1-08.1-02, 16.1-08.1-03, 16.1-08.1-03.1, 16.1-08.1-03.8, 16.1-08.1-03.9, 16.1-08.1-03.10, 16.1-08.1-03.12, 16.1-08.1-03.13, and 16.1-08.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to campaign disclosure statements; and to provide a penalty.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 16.1-08.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**16.1-08.1-01. Definitions.**

As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Affiliate" means an organization that controls, is controlled by, or is under common control with another organization. For purposes of this definition, control means the possession, direct or indirect, of the power to direct or cause the direction of the management and policies of an organization, whether through the ownership of voting securities, by contract other than a commercial contract for goods or nonmanagement services, or otherwise. Control is presumed to exist if an organization, directly or indirectly, owns, controls, holds with the power to vote, or holds proxies representing fifty percent or more of the voting securities of any other organization.
2. "Association" means any club, association, union, brotherhood, fraternity, organization, or group of any kind of two or more persons, including labor unions, trade associations, professional associations, or governmental associations, which is united for any purpose, business, or object and which assesses any dues, membership fees, or license fees in any amount, or which maintains a treasury fund in any amount. The term does not include corporations, cooperative corporations, limited liability companies, political committees, or political parties.
3. "Candidate" means an individual who seeks nomination for election or election to public office, and includes:
  - a. An individual holding public office;
  - b. An individual who has publicly declared that individual's candidacy for nomination for election or election to public office or has filed or accepted a nomination for public office;
  - c. An individual who has formed a campaign or other committee for that individual's candidacy for public office;
  - d. An individual who has circulated a nominating petition to have that individual's name placed on the ballot; and

- e. An individual who has, in any manner, solicited or received a contribution for that individual's candidacy for public office, whether before or after the election for that office.
4. "Conduit" means a person that is not a political party, political committee, or candidate and which receives a contribution of money and transfers the contribution to a candidate, political party, or political committee when the contribution is designated specifically for the candidate, political party, or political committee and the person has no discretion as to the recipient and the amount transferred. The term includes a transactional intermediary, including a credit card company or a money transfer service that pays or transfers money to a candidate on behalf of another person.
  5. "Contribution" means a gift, transfer, conveyance, provision, receipt, subscription, loan, advance, deposit of money, or anything of value, made for the purpose of influencing the nomination for election, or election, of any person to public office or aiding or opposing the circulation or passage of a statewide initiative or referendum petition or measure. The term also means a contract, promise, or agreement, express or implied, whether or not legally enforceable, to make a contribution for any of the above purposes. The term includes funds received by a candidate for public office or a political party or committee which are transferred or signed over to that candidate, party, or committee from another candidate, party, or political committee or other source including a conduit. The term "anything of value" includes any good or service of more than a nominal value. The term "nominal value" means the cost, price, or worth of the good or service is trivial, token, or of no appreciable value. The term "contribution" does not include:
    - a. ~~A loan of money from a bank or other lending institution made in the regular course of business.~~
    - b. Time spent by volunteer campaign or political party workers.
    - c. ~~Money spent by a candidate on the candidate's own behalf.~~
    - d. Money or anything of value received for commercial transactions, including rents, advertising, or sponsorships made as a part of a fair market value bargained-for exchange.
    - e. ~~Money or anything of value received by a candidate in that person's personal capacity, including pursuant to a contract or agreement made for personal or private employment purposes, and not received for anything other than a political purpose or to influence the performance of that person's official duty.~~
    - f. ~~Contributions of products~~ Products or services for which the actual cost or fair market value are reimbursed by a payment of money.
    - g. ~~e.~~ An independent expenditure.
  6. "Cooperative corporations", "corporations", and "limited liability companies" are as defined in this code, and for purposes of this chapter "corporations" includes nonprofit corporations. However, if a political committee, the only purpose of which is accepting contributions and making expenditures for a political purpose, incorporates for liability purposes only, the committee is not considered a corporation for the purposes of this chapter.
  7. "Expenditure" means:
    - a. A gift, transfer, conveyance, provision, loan, advance, payment, distribution, disbursement, outlay, or deposit of money or anything of value, except a loan of money from a bank or other lending institution made in the regular course of business, made for a

- political purpose or for the purpose of influencing the passage or defeat of a measure.
- b. A contract, promise, or agreement, express or implied, whether or not legally enforceable, to make any expenditure.
  - c. The transfer of funds by a political committee to another political committee.
  - d. An independent expenditure.
8. ~~"Incidental committee" means a committee, club, association, or other group of persons that makes a contribution or expenditure, but for which making contributions and expenditures for political purposes is not its primary purpose.~~ "Expenditure categories" means the categories into which expenditures must be grouped for reports under this chapter. The expenditure categories are:
- a. Advertising;
  - b. Campaign loan repayment;
  - c. Consulting;
  - d. Operations;
  - e. Postage;
  - f. Printing;
  - g. Travel; and
  - h. Miscellaneous.
9. "Independent expenditure" means an expenditure made for a political purpose or for the purpose of influencing the passage or defeat of a measure if the expenditure is made without the express or implied consent, authorization, or cooperation of, and not in concert with or at the request or suggestion of, any candidate ~~or a candidate,~~ committee, or ~~measure committee~~ political party.
10. "Patron" means a person who owns equity interest in the form of stock, shares, or membership or maintains similar financial rights in a cooperative corporation.
11. "Person" means an individual, partnership, political committee, association, corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or other organization or group of persons.
12. "Personal benefit" means a benefit to the candidate or another person which is not for a political purpose or related to a candidate's responsibilities as a public officeholder, and any other benefit that would convert a contribution to personal income.
13. "Political committee" means any committee, club, association, or other group of persons which receives contributions or makes expenditures for political purposes and includes the following:
- a. A political action committee, derived from a corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, affiliate, subsidiary, or an association that is prohibited from making a contribution for political purposes under section 16.1-08.1-03.5, and which that solicits or receives contributions from its employees or members or makes expenditures for political purposes on behalf of its employees or members;

- b. A candidate committee, established to support an individual candidate seeking ~~statewide, judicial, or legislative~~ public office which solicits or receives contributions for political purposes;
  - c. A political organization ~~governed by the Internal Revenue Code and~~ registered with the federal election commission, which solicits or receives contributions or makes expenditures for political purposes;
  - d. A multicandidate political committee, established to support multiple groups or slates of candidates seeking public office, ~~that~~ which solicits or receives contributions for political purposes; and
  - e. A measure committee, including an initiative or referendum sponsoring committee at any stage of its organization, which solicits or receives contributions or makes expenditures for the purpose of aiding or opposing a measure sought to be voted upon by the voters of the state, including any activities undertaken for the purpose of drafting an initiative or referendum petition, seeking approval of the secretary of state for the circulation of a petition, or seeking approval of the submitted petitions; ~~and~~
  - f. ~~An incidental committee.~~
- ~~13-14.~~ "Political party" means any association, committee, or organization which nominates a candidate for election to any office which may be filled by a vote of the electors of this state or any of its political subdivisions and whose name appears on the election ballot as the candidate of such association, committee, or organization.
- ~~14-15.~~ "Political purpose" means any activity undertaken in support of or in opposition to the election or nomination of a candidate to public office and includes using "vote for", "oppose", or any similar support or opposition language in any advertisement whether the activity is undertaken by a candidate, a political committee, a political party, or any person. In the period thirty days before a primary election and sixty days before a special or general election, "political purpose" also means any activity in which a candidate's name, office, district, or any term meaning the same as "incumbent" or "challenger" is used in support of or in opposition to the election or nomination of a candidate to public office. The term does not include activities undertaken in the performance of a duty of a ~~state~~ public office or any position taken in any bona fide news story, commentary, or editorial.
- ~~15-16.~~ "Public office" means every office to which an individual can be elected by vote of the people under the laws of this state.
- ~~16-17.~~ "Subsidiary" means an affiliate of a corporation under the control of the corporation directly or indirectly through one or more intermediaries.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 6 of section 16.1-08.1-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 6. If a net gain from the convention is transferred to the accounts established for the support of the nomination or election of candidates, the total transferred must be reported as a contribution in the statements required by section ~~16.1-08.1-034~~ of this Act.

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 7 of section 16.1-08.1-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 7. If a net loss from the convention is covered by a transfer from the accounts established for the support of the nomination or election of candidates, the total transferred must be reported as an expenditure in the statements required by section ~~16.1-08.1-034~~ of this Act.

**SECTION 4.** A new section to chapter 16.1-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Pre-election, supplemental, and year-end campaign disclosure statement requirements for candidates, political committees, and political parties.**

1. Prior to the thirty-first day before a primary, general, or special election, a candidate or candidate committee formed on behalf of the candidate, a political committee, or political party shall file a campaign disclosure statement that includes all contributions received and expenditures made from January first through the fortieth day before the election. The statement may be submitted for filing beginning on the thirty-ninth day before the election. The statement must include:
  - a. For each aggregated contribution from a contributor which totals in excess of two hundred dollars received during the reporting period:
    - (1) The name and mailing address of the contributor;
    - (2) The total amount of the contribution; and
    - (3) The date the last contributed amount was received;
  - b. The total of all aggregated contributions from contributors which total in excess of two hundred dollars during the reporting period;
  - c. The total of all contributions received from contributors that contributed two hundred dollars or less each during the reporting period;
  - d. The balance of the campaign fund on the fortieth day before the election;
  - e. The balance of the campaign fund on January first; and
  - f. The total of all expenditures made during the reporting period.
2. Beginning on the thirty-ninth day before the election through the day before the election, a person that files a report under subsection 1 must file a supplemental statement within forty-eight hours of the start of the day following the receipt of a contribution or aggregate contribution from a contributor which is in excess of five hundred dollars. The statement must include:
  - a. The name and mailing address of the contributor;
  - b. The total amount of the contribution received during the reporting period; and
  - c. The date the last contributed amount was received.
3. Prior to February first, a candidate or candidate committee formed on behalf of the candidate who sought nomination or election to public office during the previous year or who holds public office, a political committee, or political party shall file a campaign disclosure statement that includes all contributions received and expenditures made from January first through December thirty-first of the previous year. The statement may be submitted for filing beginning on January first. The statement must include:
  - a. The balance of the campaign fund on January first;
  - b. For each aggregated contribution from a contributor which totals in excess of two hundred dollars received during the reporting period:

- (1) The name and mailing address of the contributor;
- (2) The total amount of the contribution; and
- (3) The date the last contributed amount was received;
- c. The total of all aggregated contributions from contributors which total in excess of two hundred dollars during the reporting period;
- d. The total of all contributions received from contributors that contributed two hundred dollars or less each during the reporting period;
- e. For each recipient of an expenditure from campaign funds in excess of two hundred dollars in the aggregate which is a candidate, political committee, or political party:
  - (1) The name and mailing address of the recipient;
  - (2) The total amount of the expenditure; and
  - (3) The date the last expenditure was made to the recipient;
- f. The aggregate total of all expenditures from campaign funds of two hundred dollars or less to recipients that are candidates, political committees, or political parties;
- g. The total of all other expenditures made during the previous year, separated into expenditure categories; and
- h. The balance of the campaign fund on December thirty-first.
4. A person required to file a report under subsection 1 or subsection 3, other than a candidate for judicial office or a candidate committee for a candidate for judicial office, shall report each aggregated contribution from a contributor which totals five thousand dollars or more during the reporting period. For these contributions, the report must include:
  - a. The contributor's occupation, employer, and the employer's principal place of business; or
  - b. If the contributor was a political committee or political party, the name and mailing address of the contributor.
5. The filing officer shall assess and collect fees for any reports filed after the filing deadline. A person that filed a late report shall pay the late fee before any subsequent filing from the person may be accepted.

**SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 16.1-08.1-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**16.1-08.1-03.1. Contributions statementSpecial requirements for statements required of measure committees circulating or promoting passage or defeat of initiated or referred measure.**

1. ~~Any person or measure committee, as described in section 16.1-08.1-01, that is soliciting or accepting a contribution for the purpose of aiding or opposing the circulation or passage of a statewide initiative or referendum petition or measure placed upon a statewide ballot by action of the legislative assembly at any election shall file a statement in accordance with this subsection if the person has received any contribution in excess of one hundred dollars. The statement must include the name and mailing address of each person that contributed in excess of one hundred dollars to the person, the amount of each reportable contribution, and the date each reportable contribution was~~

received. The statement must include the name and mailing address of each recipient of an expenditure exceeding one hundred dollars in the aggregate, the amount of each reportable expenditure, and the date the expenditure was made.

2. ~~A person or measure committee as described in section 16.1-08.1-01 which is soliciting or accepting a contribution for the purpose of aiding or opposing the circulation or passage of a statewide initiative or referendum petition or measure placed upon a statewide ballot by action of the legislative assembly may not accept a contribution of more than one hundred dollars from an out-of-state person or political committee unless the contribution is accompanied by a certified statement from the contributor listing the name, address, and amount contributed by each person that contributed more than one hundred dollars of the contribution. The statement must indicate if no person contributed in excess of one hundred dollars of the out-of-state person's or political committee's overall contribution. The certified statement must also list the occupation, employer, and principal place of business for each individual who contributed more than one hundred dollars of the contribution. The person soliciting or accepting a contribution for the purpose of aiding the circulation of a statewide initiative or referendum petition or of promoting passage or defeat of a statewide initiated or referred measure shall include this statement with the contribution statement required to be filed under subsection 1.~~
3. ~~The statement required of a person or measure committee under subsection 1 must be filed with the secretary of state no later than the thirty-second day before the date of the election in which the measure appears or would have appeared on the ballot complete from the beginning of that calendar year through the fortieth day before the date of the election. A complete statement for the entire calendar year for each statement required to be filed under this section must be filed no later than the thirty-first day of January of the following year. Even if a person required to report according to this section has not received any contributions in excess of one hundred dollars during the reporting period, the person shall file a statement as required by this chapter. A statement filed according to this section during the reporting period must show the following:~~
  - a. ~~The gross total of all contributions received and expenditures made in excess of one hundred dollars;~~
  - b. ~~The gross total of all contributions received and expenditures made of one hundred dollars, or less; and~~
  - e. ~~The cash on hand in the filer's account at the start and close of the reporting period~~

For each reportable contribution under section 4 of this Act, the threshold for reporting is one hundred dollars for any person or measure committee circulating or promoting passage or defeat of an initiated or referred measure.

2. For contributions received from an out-of-state contributor, a person or measure committee circulating or promoting passage or defeat of an initiated or referred measure shall include the following information regarding subcontributors in the statements required under section 4 of this Act:
  - a. A designation as to whether any person contributed in excess of one hundred dollars of the total contribution;
  - b. The name and mailing address of each subcontributor that contributed in excess of one hundred dollars of the total contribution;

- c. The contribution amounts of each disclosed subcontributor; and
  - d. The occupation, employer, and address for the employer's principal place of business of each disclosed subcontributor.
3. An initiative and referendum sponsoring committee also shall file a disclosure statement by the date the secretary of state approves the petition for circulation, and shall file an additional statement on the date the petitions containing the required number of signatures are submitted to the secretary of state for review. The statements required under this subsection must be in the same form as the year-end statements under section 4 of this Act.
4. A sponsoring committee shall file a statement regarding its intent to compensate circulators before paying for petitions to be circulated.

**SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Section 16.1-08.1-03.3 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**16.1-08.1-03.3. Campaign contributions by corporations, cooperative corporations, limited liability companies, and associations - Violation - Penalty - Political action committees authorized.**

1. A corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or association may establish, administer, and solicit contributions to a separate and segregated fund to be utilized for political purposes by the corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or association. It is unlawful for:
- a. The person or persons controlling the fund to make contributions or expenditures utilizing money or anything of value secured by physical force, job discrimination, financial reprisals, or the threat of them; or utilize money from dues, fees, treasury funds, or other money required as a condition of membership in an association, or as a condition of employment; or utilize money obtained in any commercial transaction. Moneys from fees, dues, treasury funds, or money obtained in a commercial transaction may, however, be used to pay costs of administration of the fund.
  - b. Any person soliciting an employee, stockholder, patron, board member, or member for a contribution to the fund to fail to inform the employee or member of the political purposes of the fund at the time of the solicitation or of the general political philosophy intended to be advanced through committee activities.
  - c. Any person soliciting an employee or member for a contribution to the fund to fail to inform the employee or member at the time of the solicitation of the right to refuse to contribute without any reprisal.
  - d. Any contribution to be accepted without keeping an accurate record of the contributor and amount contributed and of amounts expended for political purposes.
  - e. Any contribution to be accepted from any person ~~who is~~ not an employee, a stockholder, a patron, a board member or a member of the corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or association maintaining the political action committee, except a corporation may accept a contribution from an employee, a stockholder, a patron, a board member, or a member of an affiliate or a subsidiary of the corporation.
  - f. Any expenditure made for political purposes to be reported under this section before control of the expenditure has been released by the political action committee except if there is a contract, a promise, or an agreement, expressed or implied, to make such expenditure.



- ~~2.~~ All political action committees, as described in section 16.1-08.1-01, formed for the purpose of administering the segregated fund provided for in this section shall file a statement showing the name and mailing address of each contributor of an amount in excess of two hundred dollars in the aggregate for the reporting period and a listing of all expenditures of an amount in excess of two hundred dollars in the aggregate made for political purposes with the secretary of state. The statement must include the amount of each reportable contribution and the date it was received and the amount of each reportable expenditure and the date it was made. A year-end statement covering the entire calendar year must be filed no later than the thirty first day of January of the following year. A pre-election statement must be filed no later than the thirty-second day before any primary, special, or general election and must be complete from the beginning of the calendar year through the fortieth day before the election. Even if a political action committee has not received any contributions or made any expenditures in excess of two hundred dollars during the reporting period, the political action committee shall file a statement as required by this chapter. A statement filed according to this section during the reporting period must show the following:

  - ~~a.~~ The gross total of all contributions received and expenditures made in excess of two hundred dollars;
  - ~~b.~~ The gross total of all contributions received and expenditures made of two hundred dollars, or less; and
  - ~~c.~~ The cash on hand in the filer's account at the start and close of the reporting period.
- ~~3.~~ A political action committee shall report the occupation, employer, and principal place of business of each person, or the political committee if not already registered according to state or federal law, who contributed five thousand dollars or more in the aggregate during the reporting period.
- ~~4.~~ A person may not make a payment of that person's money or of another person's money to any other person for a political purpose in any name other than that of the person ~~who~~that supplies the money and a person may not knowingly receive the payment nor enter nor cause the payment to be entered in that person's account or record in any name other than that of the person by ~~whom~~which it actually was furnished.
- ~~5.3.~~ If an officer, employee, agent, attorney, or other representative of a corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or association makes any contribution prohibited by this section out of corporate, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or association funds or otherwise violates this section, it is prima facie evidence of a violation by the corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or association.
- ~~6.4.~~ A violation of this section may be prosecuted in the county where the contribution is made or in any county in which it has been paid or distributed.
- ~~7.5.~~ It is a class A misdemeanor for an officer, director, stockholder, manager, governor, member, attorney, agent, or representative of any corporation, cooperative corporation, limited liability company, or association to violate this section or to counsel or consent to any violation. Any person ~~who~~that solicits or knowingly receives any contribution in violation of this section is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
- ~~8.6.~~ Any officer, director, stockholder, manager, governor, member, attorney, agent, or representative who makes, counsels, or consents to the making of a contribution in violation of this section is liable to the company,

corporation, limited liability company, or association for the amount so contributed.

**SECTION 7.** A new section to chapter 16.1-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Personal use of contributions prohibited.**

A candidate may not use any contribution received by the candidate, the candidate's candidate committee, or a multicandidate political committee to:

1. Give a personal benefit to the candidate or another person;
2. Make a loan to another person;
3. Knowingly pay more than the fair market value for goods or services purchased for the campaign; or
4. Pay a criminal fine or civil penalty.

**SECTION 8. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 16.1-08.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

3. An audit may not be made or requested of a statement for the sole reason that it was not timely filed with the secretary of state. An audit made or arranged according to this section must audit only those items required to be included in any statement, registration, or report filed with the secretary of state according to this chapter. The secretary of state may collect any payment obligation arising out of this section by civil action or by assignment to a collection agency, with any costs of collection to be added to the amount owed and to be paid by the delinquent filer. Any remaining moneys collected by the secretary of state after an audit is paid for under this section must be deposited in the state's general fund. This section does not apply to statements filed according to sections 16.1-08.1-03.10 and under section 16.1-08.1-03.11 or to statements filed by candidates for county office or by candidate committees for candidates for county office.

**SECTION 9. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 5 of section 16.1-12-02.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5. An individual who intends to be a write-in candidate for any legislative district office shall file a certificate of write-in candidacy with the secretary of state. The certificate must contain the name, address, and signature of the candidate. Certificates must be filed by four p.m. on the fourth day before the election. When the candidate files a certificate, the candidate also shall file the contribution statement provided for under section 16.1-08.1-024 of this Act complete through the day of the filing of the certificate.

**SECTION 10. REPEAL.** Sections 16.1-08.1-02, 16.1-08.1-03, 16.1-08.1-03.1, 16.1-08.1-03.8, 16.1-08.1-03.9, 16.1-08.1-03.10, 16.1-08.1-03.12, 16.1-08.1-03.13, and 16.1-08.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code are repealed."

Renumber accordingly

**FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILL**

**HB 1108:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 7 of section 44-04-18.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the availability of records involving security and cyber attacks.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.**

The Senate stood adjourned pursuant to Senator Klein's motion.

**Shanda Morgan, Secretary**