

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2249

Page 1, line 3, remove "and"

Page 1, line 3, after "appropriation" insert "; to provide a report; and to provide an expiration date"

Page 1, line 7, after "**center**" insert "**- Report**"

Page 1, line 19, replace "biennially" with "annually"

Page 1, line 20, after the underscored period insert "Upon request, the state energy research center shall report all research activities and accomplishments to the appropriations committees of the legislative assembly."

Page 2, after line 6, insert:

"4. The state energy research center may not conduct research or pursue projects that will result in the exploration, storage, treatment, or disposal of high-level radioactive waste in North Dakota."

Page 2, line 12, replace "two" with "one"

Page 2, line 13, replace "six" with "five"

Page 2, after line 16, insert:

"**SECTION 3. EXPIRATION DATE.** This Act is effective through June 30, 2023, and after that date is ineffective."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment:

- Decreases the allocation of oil and gas tax revenue to a newly created state energy research center fund from 2 percent of the state's share limited to \$6 million per biennium to 1 percent of the state's share limited to \$5 million per biennium;
- Adjusts the reporting requirements of the State Energy Research Center;
- Provides the State Energy Research Center may not conduct research or pursue projects that will result in the exploration, storage, treatment, or disposal of high-level radioactive waste in North Dakota; and
- Provides an expiration date of June 30, 2023 for the bill.