

Sixty-seventh  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1249**

Introduced by

Representative B. Koppelman

1 A BILL ~~for an Act to provide for the design of a legislative wing of the state capitol; to provide an~~  
2 ~~appropriation to the office of management and budget for the design, construction, and~~  
3 ~~furnishing of the legislative wing; and to provide for a transfer.~~for an Act to provide for a  
4 legislative management study of the building space needs of the legislative branch.

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

6 ~~**SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE WING ARCHITECT AND ENGINEERING SERVICES**~~  
7 ~~**CONSTRUCTION.**~~

8 ~~1. The office of management and budget shall procure architect and engineering~~  
9 ~~professional services pursuant to chapter 54-44.7 for the design of a legislative wing of~~  
10 ~~the state capitol which must include committee rooms, offices, and parking for~~  
11 ~~members of the legislative assembly and the legislative council.~~

12 ~~2. A legislative wing oversight committee shall require the selected person or firm to~~  
13 ~~provide at least three preliminary designs to be presented at a public meeting of the~~  
14 ~~capitol grounds planning commission. A member of the legislative assembly who~~  
15 ~~attends the public meeting is entitled to receive expense reimbursement for attending~~  
16 ~~the meeting.~~

17 ~~3. The legislative wing oversight committee is comprised of the speaker of the house of~~  
18 ~~representatives, who shall serve as the chairman, and ten members of the legislative~~  
19 ~~assembly appointed as follows:~~

20 ~~a. Two appointed by the majority leader of the house of representatives;~~

21 ~~b. One appointed by the minority leader of the house of representatives;~~

22 ~~c. Two appointed by the speaker of the house of representatives;~~

23 ~~d. Two appointed by the majority leader of the senate;~~

24 ~~e. One appointed by the minority leader of the senate; and~~

~~f. Two appointed by the president pro tempore of the senate.~~

~~4. The members of the legislative wing oversight committee are entitled to receive compensation in the amount provided per day for members of the legislative management under section 54-35-10 for attending meetings.~~

~~5. The director of the facility management division of the office of management and budget or the director's designee shall serve as the project manager.~~

~~**SECTION 2. CONSTRUCTION AUTHORIZATION.** Construction on the legislative wing may not begin until the legislative wing oversight committee approves a design for the legislative wing by a majority vote.~~

~~**SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION -- LEGISLATIVE WING PROJECT.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the capitol building fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$40,000,000 to the office of management and budget for the purpose of designing, constructing, and furnishing a legislative wing in accordance with this Act, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.~~

~~**SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION -- TRANSFER -- LEGISLATIVE WING PROJECT.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the strategic investment and improvements fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$40,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, which the office of management and budget shall transfer to the capitol building fund during the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.~~

**SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - LEGISLATIVE BRANCH BUILDING SPACE NEEDS.** During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the building space needs of the legislative branch for purposes of considering whether an expansion or renovation of the space available to the legislative branch is necessary to serve the public and meet the needs of the legislative branch. The study must include consideration of whether adequately sized committee rooms, appropriate accommodations under the federal Americans with Disabilities Act, and flexible meeting areas are available, and will continue to be available, to the legislative branch, and the impact on the space needs from a potential expansion of the information technology division of the legislative council. The legislative management may consult with third-party consultants for this study. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly.