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Bismarck, February 8, 2021

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

The prayer was offered by Pastor Matt Thompson, Holy Cross Lutheran Church, Bismarck.

The roll was called and all members were present.

A quorum was declared by the President.

MOTION

SEN. MYRDAL MOVED that the Senate reconsider its action whereby SB 2140 failed to pass, which motion prevailed on a verification vote.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2140: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 15-10-43.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to professional student exchange program repayment; to repeal section 15-10-43.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to professional student exchange program repayment; and to declare an emergency.

MOTION

SEN. ERBELE MOVED that SB 2140 be amended as follows, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon insert "to provide for a legislative management study;"

Page 1, after line 14, insert:

"SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - PROFESSIONAL STUDENT EXCHANGE PROGRAM. During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the professional student exchange program. The study must include:

1. The number of program participants enrolled in each discipline;
2. The tuition support provided for students enrolled in each discipline;
3. The rate at which students participating in the program return to the state;
4. The procedures necessary to implement a payback provision and their associated costs;
5. An appropriate grace period to allow program participants to return to the state; and
6. The educational disciplines to which the payback provision should be applied.

The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly."

Renumber accordingly

SB 2140: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 15-10-43.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to professional student exchange program repayment; to repeal section 15-10-43.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to professional student exchange program repayment; to provide for a legislative management

study; 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 38 YEAS, 9 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Hogue; Kannianen; Klein; Kreun; Larson, D.; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Roers, J.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

NAYS: Bekkedahl; Fors; Holmberg; Krebsbach; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Lee; Poolman; Roers, K.

Engrossed SB 2140 passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.

MOTION

SEN. MYRDAL MOVED that the Senate reconsider its action whereby SB 2201 failed to pass, which motion prevailed on a verification vote.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2201: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to requiring the state to observe daylight saving time year round; to repeal section 40-01-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to daylight saving time; and to provide an effective date.

MOTION

SEN. HEITKAMP MOVED that SB 2201 be amended as follows, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Page 1, line 4, replace "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 13, replace the third "the" with ":

1. The"

Page 1, line 14, after "round" insert "; and

2. Minnesota, Montana, and South Dakota each have commenced the observance of daylight saving time year round as the standard time"

Renumber accordingly

SB 2201: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to requiring the state to observe daylight saving time year round; to repeal section 40-01-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to daylight saving time; 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 36 YEAS, 11 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Elkin; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Wobbema

NAYS: Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Dwyer; Erbele; Fors; Hogan; Hogue; Lee; Piepkorn; Weber

Engrossed SB 2201 passed.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that the Senate reconsider its action whereby Engrossed SB 2075 passed, which motion prevailed on a verification vote.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that Engrossed SB 2075 be rereferred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**, which motion prevailed. Pursuant to Sen. Klein's motion, Engrossed SB 2075 was rereferred.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that SB 2300 be returned to the Senate floor from the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee** for the purpose of withdrawal, which motion prevailed.

REQUEST

SEN. PIEPKORN REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the Senate to withdraw SB 2300. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the President.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that SB 2146, which is on the Eleventh order, be rereferred to the **Appropriations Committee**, which motion prevailed. Pursuant to Sen. Klein's motion, SB 2146 was rereferred.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR DOUG BURGUM**February 2, 2021**

Pursuant to North Dakota Constitution Article VIII, Section 6(2)(c), Jeffry Volk was appointed to the State Board of Higher Education.

Appointment to the State Board of Higher Education:

Jeffry Volk (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2025)

North Dakota Constitution Article VIII, Section 6(2)(c) requires that an appointee be confirmed by the Senate. I respectfully request that the Senate make the confirmations during the 2021 Legislative Session.

Thank you for your consideration.

COMMUNICATION FROM GOVERNOR DOUG BURGUM**February 2, 2021**

Pursuant to North Dakota Constitution Article VIII, Section 6(2)(c), Dr. Casey Ryan was re-appointed to the State Board of Higher Education.

Re-appointment to the State Board of Higher Education:

Dr. Casey Ryan (July 1, 2021 - June 30, 2025)

North Dakota Constitution Article VIII, Section 6(2)(c) requires that an appointee be confirmed by the Senate. I respectfully request that the Senate make the confirmations during the 2021 Legislative Session.

Thank you for your consideration.

REPORT OF PROCEDURAL COMMITTEE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your procedural **Committee on Committees (Sen. Wardner, Chairman)** respectfully submits the following names to for your Select Committee to approve the nominee Jeffry Volk to the North Dakota Board of Higher Education: Senators Poolman, Elkin, Anderson, Burckhard, and Oban.

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that the report be adopted, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

REPORT OF PROCEDURAL COMMITTEE

MR. PRESIDENT: Your procedural **Committee on Committees (Sen. Wardner, Chairman)**

respectfully submits the following names to for your Select Committee to approve the nominee Casey Ryan to the North Dakota Board of Higher Education: Senators Sorvaag, Krebsbach, Hogue, Bell, and Mathern.

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that the report be adopted, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2225: SEN. K. ROERS (Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) MOVED that the amendments be adopted and then be **REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SB 2225 was rereferred to the **Appropriations Committee**.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2328: SEN. PATTEN (Energy and Natural Resources Committee) MOVED that the amendments be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2211: SEN. BELL (Energy and Natural Resources Committee) MOVED that the amendments be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2283: SEN. MEYER (Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) MOVED that the amendments be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2162: SEN. K. ROERS (Government and Veterans Affairs Committee) MOVED that the amendments be adopted and then be placed on the Eleventh order with **DO PASS**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

MOTION

SEN. KLEIN MOVED that that after action on the Sixth order, SB 2065 be placed on the Eleventh order for immediate second reading and final passage, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

SB 2065: SEN. PATTEN (Energy and Natural Resources Committee) MOVED that the amendments 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 2065: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 15-05-09.1 and chapter 38-25 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the authority of the board of university and school lands to lease lands under its control for the underground storage of oil or gas and the jurisdiction of the industrial commission to regulate the permitting and amalgamation of the underground storage of oil or gas.

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 40 YEAS, 7 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Meyer; Myrdal; Oehlke; Patten; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

NAYS: Bakke; Hogan; Larsen, O.; Marcellais; Mathern; Oban; Piepkorn

Engrossed SB 2065 passed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2189: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 57-36-01, 57-36-02, 57-36-04, 57-36-05, 57-36-09, 57-36-09.1, and 57-36-33 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to licensing requirements for electronic smoking device dealers and distributors; to provide for a legislative management study; and to provide a penalty.

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 39 YEAS, 8 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Erbele; Heckaman; Hogan; Hogue; Holmberg; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Mathern; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber

NAYS: Elkin; Fors; Heitkamp; Kannianen; Larsen, O.; Marcellais; Meyer; Wobbema

Engrossed SB 2189 passed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2278: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to school district and employee immunity regarding COVID-19; to provide for 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 44 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Meyer; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

NAYS: Larsen, O.; Marcellais; Mathern

Engrossed SB 2278 passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2221: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 43-15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers of the state board of pharmacy; to amend and reenact section 43-15-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the practice of pharmacy; 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 44 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

NAYS: Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Myrdal

Engrossed SB 2221 passed and the emergency clause was declared carried.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2254: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 40-51.2-05 and section 40-51.2-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to notice requirements for annexation and exclusion.

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 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

SB 2254 passed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2227: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-16-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the members of the emergency commission.

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 8 YEAS, 39 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Bakke; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Marcellais; Mathern; Oban; Piepkorn

NAYS: Anderson; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Meyer; Myrdal; Oehlke; Patten; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

SB 2227 failed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2342: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 4.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to healthy soil grant and healthy soil assessment and education programs; and to amend and reenact sections 4.1-20-01, 4.1-20-02, subsection 5 of section 4.1-20-18, sections 4.1-20-19, 4.1-20-23, 4.1-20-24, 4.1-20-25, 4.1-20-26, 4.1-20-28, subsection 1 of section 4.1-20-32, and section 4.1-20-33 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to soil conservation, soil conservation district supervisor compensation, training, powers and duties, elections, and land use regulations; and to provide for 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 7 YEAS, 40 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Bakke; Heckaman; Hogan; Marcellais; Mathern; Oban; Piepkorn

NAYS: Anderson; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heitkamp; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach;

Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Meyer; Myrdal; Oehlke; Patten; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

SB 2342 failed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2302: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 39-04-14.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to providing proof of motor vehicle insurance when renewing vehicle registration.

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 31 YEAS, 16 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Dever; Dwyer; Erbele; Fors; Hogan; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Patten; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Wobbema

NAYS: Anderson; Davison; Elkin; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogue; Krebsbach; Lee; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Piepkorn; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Weber

SB 2302 passed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2285: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-01-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to fees chargeable by an abstractor.

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 2 YEAS, 45 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Bekkedahl; Rust

NAYS: Anderson; Bakke; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

SB 2285 failed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2195: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 37-17.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to limiting or restricting the operation of a private business.

MOTION

SEN. CLEMENS MOVED that SB 2195 be amended as follows, which motion failed on a voice vote.

Page 2, line 3, after "business" insert ", except a business may be subject to restrictions imposed by the governing body of the county where the business is located during a declared disaster or emergency"

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 6 YEAS, 41 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Clemens; Conley; Klein; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.

NAYS: Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Hogue; Holmberg; Kannianen; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Meyer; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Vedaa; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

SB 2195 failed.

SECOND READING OF SENATE BILL

SB 2188: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 11-10 and a new section to chapter 40-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the authority of a political subdivision to regulate the sale of consumer merchandise.

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 6 YEAS, 41 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Kannianen; Larsen, D.; Larsen, O.; Meyer; Vedaa

NAYS: Bakke; Bekkedahl; Bell; Burckhard; Clemens; Conley; Davison; Dever; Dwyer; Elkin; Erbele; Fors; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Hogan; Hogue; Holmberg; Klein; Krebsbach; Kreun; Larson, D.; Lee; Lemm; Luick; Marcellais; Mathern; Myrdal; Oban; Oehlke; Patten; Piepkorn; Poolman; Roers, J.; Roers, K.; Rust; Schaible; Sorvaag; Wanzek; Wardner; Weber; Wobbema

SB 2188 failed.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, and your favorable consideration is requested on: SB 2200, SB 2220, SB 2269, SB 2277.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, the emergency clause carried, and your favorable consideration is requested on: SB 2281.

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 1118, HB 1175.

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: HCR 3008, HCR 3013.

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

MR. PRESIDENT: The House has passed, unchanged: SCR 4008.

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 9, 2021, which motion prevailed.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2084: Human Services Committee (Sen. Lee, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT**

PASS (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2084 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2151: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2151 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 provide for a legislative management study related to uninsured drivers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - UNINSURED DRIVERS.

During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the use of blockchain to identify an accurate and continuous count of uninsured drivers in this state. The study must be in consultation with the department of transportation and must consider blockchain technology that allows for a dynamic, ongoing, decentralized, secure, and immutable method of tracking uninsured drivers in this state. In addition, the study must include an analysis of the impact relating to consumer fraud that may result from a state law mandating uninsured motorist property damage coverage. The insurance department shall request the thirty largest auto insurers, as measured by premiums written, to provide information to facilitate the study of the use and implementation of blockchain for this purpose. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly."

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2161, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2161 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2256, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (10 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2256 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2297: Transportation Committee (Sen. Clemens, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2297 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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

Shanda Morgan, Secretary

