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RE: Possible study language

Senator Luick, here is the proposed language for your consideration based on your notes. Please let me know if you would like any changes before I put it into a hoghouse amendment.

**LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY – REGULATION OF WATER – WATER RESOURCE DISTRICTS.** During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the regulation of water in the state including eliminating redundancy and conflicts in North Dakota Century Code Chapters 61-16.1, 61-21, and 61-32; making assessment procedures uniform across all types of water projects including drain projects; revising procedures for appeals from water resource board decisions including the possible creation of an appeals board or appealing the decisions to an existing entity such as the North Dakota mediation service within the department of agriculture; managing water on the basis of watersheds or water basins throughout the state; reviewing responsibility for culvert sizing decisions; applying cost-benefit analyses to additional projects before the state water commission considers whether to approve the projects; reviewing the structural relationship between the state water commission and water resource districts; and related issues.

Kind regards,  
Claire