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Sixty-eighth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1413**

Introduced by

Representatives Karls, Kiefert, Rohr, Satrom, Steiner

Senator Dever

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study relating to prescription drug
2 coupon and financial assistance program utilization.

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

4 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - PRESCRIPTION DRUG COUPON**
5 **AND FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE PROGRAM UTILIZATION.** During the 2023-24 interim, the
6 legislative management shall consider studying the prevalence and usage of third-party
7 payments to reduce or eliminate North Dakota patients' cost sharing and out-of-pocket costs for
8 prescription drugs, including programs offered by the manufacturer of a prescription drug. The
9 study must include the prevalence and usage of third-party payments by the manufacturer of
10 prescription drugs and in the North Dakota commercial insurance market. The study must also
11 include the prevalence and usage of third-party payments in government programs and the
12 availability of those programs to uninsured residents, eligibility criteria, and the impact of these
13 programs on health care costs and prescription drug pricing. In conducting the study, input must
14 be received from health insurance carriers, patients or patient groups, prescription drug
15 manufacturers, pharmacy benefit managers, pharmacies or pharmacy association
16 representatives, government and independent academic sources, and any other stakeholder
17 with relevant information. Participants shall disclose any ties or financial compensation received
18 by any entities in the prescription drug supply chain. The legislative management shall report its
19 findings and recommendations, together with any proposed legislation required to implement
20 the recommendations, to the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.