Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **SENATE BILL NO. 2359**

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Senators Clemens, Lee

Representatives Jonas, Koppelman, Marschall

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-15-41 of the North Dakota Century Code,
relating to exemptions from political subdivision tax levies for payment of special assessments;
and to provide for a legislative management study, relating to the impact of political subdivisions
levying special assessments against other political subdivisions and the overall impact on
taxpayers.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

7 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 57-15-41 of the North Dakota Century Code is 8 amended and reenacted as follows: 9 57-15-41. Political subdivision tax levies for payment of special assessments, land 10 acquisition, or debt service exempt from levy limitations. 11 No tax levy limitations provided by any statute of this state apply to tax levies by any county, 12 eity, school district, park district, or township for the purpose of paying any special assessments. 13 land acquisition costs, or paying debt service on bonds issued to prepay special assessments 14 made in accordance with the provisions of title 40, against property owned by suchthe county, 15 city, school district, park district, or township. Any surplus in the special assessment fund after-16 all of the special assessments for which the fund was created have been paid shallmust be-17 placed in the general fund of the political subdivision.

AGAINST POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS. During the 2023-24 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the impact of political subdivisions levying special assessments against other political subdivisions and the overall impact on taxpayers. The study must include analysis of the impact on taxpayers not governed by the political subdivision levying special assessments and explore forms of taxation policy that minimize the levying of special assessments in the form of taxes through political subdivisions. The legislative

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- 1 management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation
- 2 required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.