

Introduced by

Energy and Natural Resources Committee

(At the request of the Department of Water Resources)

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 61-04 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to water storage contracts.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 61-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Water storage contracts.**

7 A federal agency that enters into discussions with an entity relating to a water storage
8 contract ~~with an entity~~ from a reservoir partially or wholly located within the state shall provide
9 the department of water resources with a sixty-day notice once the discussions begin.
10 Communications regarding a water storage contract must be copied to the department of water
11 resources. The department of water resources must be provided with an executed copy of ~~the~~
12 water storage contract.