

HOUSE BILL NO. 1311

Introduced by

Representatives Satrom, Brandenburg, Grueneich, Ostlie

Senators Conley, Erbele

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study, relating to volunteer emergency
2 responder recruitment and retention.

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

4 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - VOLUNTEER EMERGENCY**

5 **RESPONDER RECRUITMENT AND RETENTION.** During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative
6 management shall consider studying volunteer emergency responder recruitment and retention.
7 The study must consider recruitment and retention challenges related to volunteer emergency
8 responders, including firefighters, emergency or disaster volunteers, and community emergency
9 response team members, and identify strategies for encouraging volunteerism. The study also
10 must include input from stakeholders, including disaster emergency organizations, nonprofit
11 associations, representatives of law enforcement, emergency medical service providers, and
12 state and local agencies, departments, and institutions. The legislative management shall report
13 its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the
14 recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.