Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## FIRST ENGROSSMENT

## **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1374**

Introduced by

Representatives Klemin, Fegley, Warrey

Senator Barta

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-04 and a new section to
- 2 chapter 58-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an open meeting exemption for a
- 3 board of township supervisors when conducting an onsite inspection.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
- 6 and enacted as follows:
- 7 <u>Township onsite inspections Exemption.</u>
- 8 An onsite inspection conducted under section 2 of this Act is an exempt meeting.
- 9 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 58-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
- 10 and enacted as follows:
- 11 <u>Onsite inspections Exempt meeting.</u>
- 12 <u>If a township officer is unable to perform an onsite inspection to execute a power afforded to</u>
- 13 a township officer under this title, or the board of township supervisors is serving as the
- township officers and the staff of the township, a gathering of the members of a board of
- 15 township supervisors to conduct an onsite inspection is an exempt meeting as defined under
- 16 <u>section 44-04-17.1. The board of township supervisors shall make good-faith efforts to provide</u>
- 17 notice of the inspections to each news medium that has filed a written request for notice if the
- 18 request includes the news medium's telephone number. The notice must be given by telephone
- or by any other method used to notify the members of the public body.