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Bismarck, January 15, 2025

The House convened at 1:00 p.m., with Speaker Weisz presiding.

The prayer was offered by Pastor Keith Ritchie, Cornerstone Community Church, Bismarck.

OATH OF OFFICE

SPEAKER WEISZ ADMINISTERED the Oath of Office to Rep. Morton from District 46.

The roll was called and all members were present except Representative Grueneich.

A quorum was declared by the Speaker.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that HB 1195 be returned to the House floor from the **Transportation Committee** for the purpose of withdrawal, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

REQUEST

REP. JONAS REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the House to withdraw HB 1195. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the Speaker.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that HB 1277 be returned to the House floor from the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee** for the purpose of withdrawal, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

REQUEST

REP. LEFOR REQUESTED the unanimous consent of the House to withdraw HB 1277. There being no objection, it was so ordered by the Speaker.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that HR 5001 be returned to the House floor from the **Human Services Committee** and be rereferred to the **Judiciary Committee**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Pursuant to Rep. Bosch's motion, HR 5001 was rereferred.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that HB 1301 be returned to the House floor from the **Energy and Natural Resources Committee** and be rereferred to the **Judiciary Committee**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Pursuant to Rep. Bosch's motion, HB 1301 was rereferred.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that HCR 3004 be returned to the House floor from the **Political Subdivisions Committee**, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the rules be suspended, that HCR 3004 not be printed, not be referred to committee, but be read in its entirety, be printed in the Journal, and be placed on the calendar for immediate second reading and final passage, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

Reps. McLeod, Christy, Grindberg, J. Johnson, Jonas, Kasper, Swiontek, Wagner and Sens. Roers, Sorvaag introduced:

HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION NO. 3004

A concurrent resolution to extend congratulations to the North Dakota State University football team for earning the program's 10th national college football championship since 2011.

WHEREAS, on Monday, January 6, 2025, the North Dakota State University Bison football team defeated the Montana State University Bobcats in the Football Championship Subdivision national championship game in Frisco, Texas; and

WHEREAS, the victory was the 10th college football championship for North Dakota State University since 2011; and

WHEREAS, the impact of the victory was not only felt within the North Dakota State University community, but across the entire state of North Dakota; and

WHEREAS, the achievement showcases the hard work, discipline, and determination that defines our state and our academic institutions and their tradition of excellence; and

WHEREAS, Bison student-athletes set the standard both on the field and in the classroom, with 20 student-athletes across five sports earning the prestigious NCAA Elite 90 award for the highest grade point average at national championships; and

WHEREAS, over 57 percent or 253 student-athletes have earned a cumulative grade point average of 3.5 or higher and 83 of those have a perfect grade point average of 4.0; and

WHEREAS, this win not only reinforces the state's legacy of excellence but also highlights the endless possibilities available in the state, propelling the state's communities toward greater accomplishments;

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF NORTH DAKOTA, THE SENATE CONCURRING THEREIN:

That the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly offers its deepest congratulations to the North Dakota State University Bison football team for earning the program's 10th national college football championship since 2011; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the Secretary of State forward copies of this resolution to the President of North Dakota State University, the Athletic Director of North Dakota State University, and the Head Coach of the North Dakota State University football team.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HCR 3004: A concurrent resolution to extend congratulations to the North Dakota State University football team for earning the program's 10th national college football championship since 2011.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final adoption of the resolution, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS. The roll was called and there were 93 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, D.; Brandenburg; Dockter; Hatlestad; Headland; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Louser; Martinson; Meier; Monson; Nathe; Nelson; Porter; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Sanford; Schatz; Steiner; Toman; Vigasaa; Weisz; Schneider; Mitskog; Schreiber-Beck; Lefor; Anderson, B.; Dobervich; Longmuir; Hanson; Marschall; Pyle; Heinert; Ruby, M.; O'Brien; Satrom; Vetter; Johnston, D.; Bosch; Fegley; Hoverson; Schauer; Fisher; Hager; Richter; Tveit; Ostlie; Ista; Beltz; Hagert; Stemen; Hauck; Conmy; Finley-DeVile; Davis; Anderson, K.; Johnson, J.; Olson, S.; Olson, J.; VanWinkle; Heilman; Swiontek; Jonas; Frelich; Novak; McLeod; Henderson; Bahl; Rios; Christy; Holle; Murphy; Wagner; Motschenbacher; Warrey; Nehring; Brown; Hendrix; Christianson; Maki; Dressler; Wolff; Bolinske; Osowski; Foss; Morton; Vollmer; Berg; Grindberg

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grueneich

HCR 3004 was declared adopted on a recorded roll call vote.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1053: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 24-01-01.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the length of the state highway system.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 93 YEAS, 0

NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, D.; Brandenburg; Dockter; Hatlestad; Headland; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Louser; Martinson; Meier; Monson; Nathe; Nelson; Porter; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Sanford; Schatz; Steiner; Toman; Vigasaa; Weisz; Schneider; Mitskog; Schreiber-Beck; Lefor; Anderson, B.; Dobervich; Longmuir; Hanson; Marschall; Pyle; Heinert; Ruby, M.; O'Brien; Satrom; Vetter; Johnston, D.; Bosch; Fegley; Hoverson; Schauer; Fisher; Hager; Richter; Tveit; Ostlie; Ista; Beltz; Hagert; Stemen; Hauck; Conmy; Finley-DeVille; Davis; Anderson, K.; Johnson, J.; Olson, S.; Olson, J.; VanWinkle; Heilman; Swiontek; Jonas; Frelich; Novak; McLeod; Henderson; Bahl; Rios; Christy; Holle; Murphy; Wagner; Motschenbacher; Warrey; Nehring; Brown; Hendrix; Christianson; Maki; Dressler; Wolff; Bolinske; Osowski; Foss; Morton; Vollmer; Berg; Grindberg

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grueneich

Engrossed HB 1053 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1048: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 14-09.1-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to mediation agreements.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 93 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, D.; Brandenburg; Dockter; Hatlestad; Headland; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Louser; Martinson; Meier; Monson; Nathe; Nelson; Porter; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Sanford; Schatz; Steiner; Toman; Vigasaa; Weisz; Schneider; Mitskog; Schreiber-Beck; Lefor; Anderson, B.; Dobervich; Longmuir; Hanson; Marschall; Pyle; Heinert; Ruby, M.; O'Brien; Satrom; Vetter; Johnston, D.; Bosch; Fegley; Hoverson; Schauer; Fisher; Hager; Richter; Tveit; Ostlie; Ista; Beltz; Hagert; Stemen; Hauck; Conmy; Finley-DeVille; Davis; Anderson, K.; Johnson, J.; Olson, S.; Olson, J.; VanWinkle; Heilman; Swiontek; Jonas; Frelich; Novak; McLeod; Henderson; Bahl; Rios; Christy; Holle; Murphy; Wagner; Motschenbacher; Warrey; Nehring; Brown; Hendrix; Christianson; Maki; Dressler; Wolff; Bolinske; Osowski; Foss; Morton; Vollmer; Berg; Grindberg

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grueneich

Engrossed HB 1048 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1065: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 57-51.1-07.8 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the county and township infrastructure fund.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 90 YEAS, 3 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, D.; Brandenburg; Dockter; Hatlestad; Headland; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Louser; Martinson; Meier; Monson; Nathe; Nelson; Porter; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Sanford; Schatz; Steiner; Toman; Vigasaa; Weisz; Schneider; Mitskog; Schreiber-Beck; Lefor; Anderson, B.; Dobervich; Longmuir; Hanson; Marschall; Pyle; Heinert; Ruby, M.; O'Brien; Satrom; Vetter; Johnston, D.; Bosch; Hoverson; Schauer; Fisher; Hager; Richter; Ostlie; Ista; Beltz; Hagert; Stemen; Hauck; Conmy; Finley-DeVille; Davis; Anderson, K.; Johnson, J.; Olson, S.; Olson, J.; VanWinkle; Heilman; Swiontek; Jonas; Frelich; McLeod; Henderson; Bahl;

Rios; Christy; Holle; Murphy; Wagner; Motschenbacher; Warrey; Nehring; Brown; Hendrix; Christianson; Maki; Dressler; Wolff; Bolinske; Osowski; Foss; Morton; Vollmer; Berg; Grindberg

NAYS: Fegley; Tveit; Novak

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grueneich

Engrossed HB 1065 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1075: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subdivision to subsection 2 of section 12-60-24 and a new section to chapter 37-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to criminal history record checks by the department of emergency services.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 93 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, D.; Brandenburg; Dockter; Hatlestad; Headland; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Louser; Martinson; Meier; Monson; Nathe; Nelson; Porter; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Sanford; Schatz; Steiner; Toman; Vigasaa; Weisz; Schneider; Mitskog; Schreiber-Beck; Lefor; Anderson, B.; Dobervich; Longmuir; Hanson; Marschall; Pyle; Heinert; Ruby, M.; O'Brien; Satrom; Vetter; Johnston, D.; Bosch; Fegley; Hoverson; Schauer; Fisher; Hager; Richter; Tveit; Ostlie; Ista; Beltz; Hager; Stemen; Hauck; Conmy; Finley-DeVile; Davis; Anderson, K.; Johnson, J.; Olson, S.; Olson, J.; VanWinkle; Heilman; Swiontek; Jonas; Frelich; Novak; McLeod; Henderson; Bahl; Rios; Christy; Holle; Murphy; Wagner; Motschenbacher; Warrey; Nehring; Brown; Hendrix; Christianson; Maki; Dressler; Wolff; Bolinske; Osowski; Foss; Morton; Vollmer; Berg; Grindberg

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grueneich

Engrossed HB 1075 passed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1101: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 19-03.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the scheduling of mitragynine as a schedule I controlled substance.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO NOT PASS, the roll was called and there were 15 YEAS, 77 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Karls; Nathe; Porter; Schneider; Mitskog; Hanson; Heinert; O'Brien; Fisher; Hager; Finley-DeVile; Olson, J.; McLeod; Brown; Vollmer

NAYS: Anderson, D.; Brandenburg; Dockter; Hatlestad; Headland; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Louser; Martinson; Meier; Monson; Nelson; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Sanford; Schatz; Steiner; Toman; Vigasaa; Weisz; Schreiber-Beck; Lefor; Anderson, B.; Dobervich; Longmuir; Marschall; Pyle; Ruby, M.; Satrom; Vetter; Johnston, D.; Bosch; Fegley; Hoverson; Schauer; Richter; Tveit; Ostlie; Ista; Beltz; Hager; Stemen; Hauck; Conmy; Davis; Anderson, K.; Johnson, J.; Olson, S.; VanWinkle; Heilman; Swiontek; Jonas; Frelich; Novak; Henderson; Bahl; Rios; Christy; Holle; Murphy; Wagner; Warrey; Nehring; Hendrix; Christianson; Maki; Dressler; Wolff; Bolinske; Osowski; Foss; Morton; Berg; Grindberg

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grueneich; Motschenbacher

HB 1101 failed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1116: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subdivision to subsection 4 of section 23-01-05.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the disclosure of an autopsy report; and to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 11-19.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to authorizing the coroner and the state forensic examiner to disclose autopsy reports to the department of corrections and rehabilitation.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 93 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson, D.; Brandenburg; Dockter; Hatlestad; Headland; Karls; Kasper; Kempenich; Kiefert; Klemin; Koppelman; Louser; Martinson; Meier; Monson; Nathe; Nelson; Porter; Rohr; Ruby, D.; Sanford; Schatz; Steiner; Toman; Vigasaa; Weisz; Schneider; Mitskog; Schreiber-Beck; Lefor; Anderson, B.; Dobervich; Longmuir; Hanson; Marschall; Pyle; Heinert; Ruby, M.; O'Brien; Satrom; Vetter; Johnston, D.; Bosch; Fegley; Hoverson; Schauer; Fisher; Hager; Richter; Tveit; Ostlie; Ista; Beltz; Hager; Stemen; Hauck; Conmy; Finley-DeVille; Davis; Anderson, K.; Johnson, J.; Olson, S.; Olson, J.; VanWinkle; Heilman; Swiontek; Jonas; Frelich; Novak; McLeod; Henderson; Bahl; Rios; Christy; Holle; Murphy; Wagner; Motschenbacher; Warrey; Nehring; Brown; Hendrix; Christianson; Maki; Dressler; Wolff; Bolinske; Osowski; Foss; Morton; Vollmer; Berg; Grindberg

ABSENT AND NOT VOTING: Grueneich

HB 1116 passed.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

MADAM PRESIDENT: The House has passed, and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1055, HB 1056, HB 1069, HB 1070, HB 1073, HB 1074, HB 1079, HB 1082, HB 1083, HB 1112, HB 1113, HB 1124, HB 1152.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

MADAM PRESIDENT: The House has passed, and your favorable consideration is requested on: HCR 3004.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

MADAM PRESIDENT: The House has passed, the emergency clause carried, and your favorable consideration is requested on: HB 1038, HB 1081.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (SHANDA MORGAN, SECRETARY)

MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, and your favorable consideration is requested on: SB 2040, SB 2060, SB 2063, SB 2078, SB 2085.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the absent member be excused, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

MOTION

REP. BOSCH MOVED that the House be on the Fourth, Fifth, and Ninth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the House stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Thursday, January 16, 2025, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1044

Judiciary Committee (Rep. Klemin, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS**

([25.8017.01001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1044 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1072 ([25.8091.01000](#))**

Human Services Committee (Rep. M. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1072 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1087 ([25.8128.01000](#))**

Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Warrey, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1087 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1088**

Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Warrey, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.8131.01001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1088 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1096**

Finance and Taxation Committee (Rep. Headland, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.0428.01001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1096 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1099**

Judiciary Committee (Rep. Klemin, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.0510.01001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1099 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1109 ([25.8079.01000](#))**

Human Services Committee (Rep. M. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1109 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1110**

Judiciary Committee (Rep. Klemin, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** ([25.8061.01001](#)) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (8 YEAS, 5 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1110 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1150 ([25.0549.01000](#))**

Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Rep. Warrey, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (10 YEAS, 4 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1150 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1164 ([25.0800.01000](#))**

Human Services Committee (Rep. M. Ruby, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (12

YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1164 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HB 1185 ([25.0424.01000](#))

Judiciary Committee (Rep. Klemin, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (8 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1185 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE
HCR 3002 ([25.3024.02000](#))

Judiciary Committee (Rep. Klemin, Chairman) recommends **DO NOT PASS** (13 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HCR 3002 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

Reps. Kempenich, Warrey and Sens. Bekkedahl, Kessel, Meyer introduced:

HB 1435: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a legacy earnings fund; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 21-10-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to funds invested by the state investment board; to repeal sections 21-10-12 and 21-10-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to legacy fund definitions and a legacy earnings fund; to provide an effective date; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Rep. Kempenich introduced:

HB 1436: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-40.3-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the motor vehicle excise tax; and to provide for an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Reps. Motschenbacher, Hauck, J. Johnson, Klemin, Lefor, Meier, Rohr, Dockter and Sens. Larson, Rummel, Dwyer introduced:

HB 1437: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the prohibition of academic tenure at two-year colleges.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Reps. Hanson, Foss and Sen. Boschee introduced:

HB 1438: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for a historic theater restoration grant program.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Rep. Jonas introduced:

HB 1439: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-19-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the suspension and expulsion of kindergarten through grade twelve students.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

Reps. D. Ruby, Dockter, Headland, Kasper, Marschall, Porter, Rohr, M. Ruby, Wolff and Sens. Paulson, Weston, Wobbema introduced:

HB 1440: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision d of subsection 3 of section 23-12-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to cigar lounges.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Finance and Taxation Committee**.

Reps. Toman, Christy, Dockter, Hagert, Heilman, D. Johnston and Sens. Boehm, Paulson introduced:

HB 1441: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 51 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to specie legal tender, the taxation of specie legal tender, and central bank digital currencies; to amend and reenact subsection 17 of section 13-09.1-01, and section 41-01-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of central bank digital currency and the definition of money.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Reps. Toman, Lefor, Weisz, Vigesaa and Sens. Hogue, Bekkedahl introduced:

HB 1442: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of a legislative committee on government efficiency.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Reps. D. Ruby, K. Anderson, Beltz, Brandenburg, D. Johnston, Marschall, Osowski, Vetter and Sens. Cory, Lemm, Magrum, Wanzek introduced:

HB 1443: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-04-10.7 and subsection 5 of section 39-04-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to special number plates for farm and forestry vehicles and farm and forestry vehicle registration.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Reps. Brandenburg, Beltz, Grueneich, Hagert, Kempenich and Sens. Conley, Erbele, Kessel, Patten, Thomas, Wanzek introduced:

HB 1444: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 24-05-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the county road system.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

Reps. Brandenburg, Beltz, Grueneich, Kempenich, O'Brien, Pyle, VanWinkle and Sens. Erbele, Patten, Wanzek, Weber introduced:

HB 1445: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 48-01.2-01 and 48-01.2-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of a pre-engineered structure and the threshold for procuring plans, drawings, and specifications from an architect or engineer for construction of a public improvement.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

Reps. Nathe, D. Anderson, Berg, Bosch, Longmuir, Nelson, Porter, Swiontek and Sens. Bekkedahl, Dever, Roers, Cleary introduced:

HB 1446: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-03-14 and 16.1-03-21, subsection 1 of section 16.1-08.1-02.3, subsection 1 of section 16.1-08.1-02.4, and sections 16.1-09-02, 16.1-11-06, 16.1-11-10, 16.1-11-11, 16.1-11-12, 16.1-11-18, 16.1-11-30, and 16.1-11-39, subsection 1 of section 16.1-12-02, and sections 16.1-12-09 and 16.1-13-08.1, of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to placing the name of a candidate on the primary election ballot; and to repeal sections 16.1-11-05.1 and 16.1-11-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to party organization endorsements and certificates of endorsement.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee**.

Reps. Swiontek, Christy, Hanson, Heinert, Schauer, J. Olson, Richter and Sens. Hogan, Klein, Lee, Rummel, Sickler introduced:

HB 1447: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to virtual currency kiosks.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Reps. Christy, Bahl, Hagert, Ista, Nathe, O'Brien, Toman, Warrey, Dockter and Sens. Boschee, Meyer, Davison introduced:

HB 1448: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 54 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the advanced technology review committee, advanced technology grant program, and advanced technology grant fund; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee**.

Reps. Jonas, Longmuir, Conmy, Heinert and Sen. Boschee introduced:

HB 1449: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-06-19 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to school counselor position requirements.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee**.

The House stood adjourned pursuant to Representative Bosch's motion.

Buell J. Reich, Chief Clerk