

North Dakota Legislative Council

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MAJOR RELATED LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE JUDICIAL BRANCH AS OF CROSSOVER

This memorandum provides information on major related legislation affecting the judicial branch as of Crossover:

House Bill No. 1032 - This bill provides authority for the district court to hear city ordinance cases for cities of fewer than 5,000 people and allows two or more cities to create a joint municipal court and share the operating costs.

House Bill No. 1047 - This bill provides for the court to offer psychological counseling services to jurors who served in a trial involving extraordinarily graphic, gruesome, or emotional evidence or testimony.

House Bill No. 1263 - This bill allows for individuals to appeal the denial of a petition to seal a criminal record from a district court judge.

House Bill No. 1328 - This bill requires a school to exhaust all school discipline policies and procedures before referring a child to juvenile court.

House Bill No. 1347 - This bill clarifies responsibilities for district court supervised treatment programs.

House Bill No. 1417 - This bill amends law relating to probation and provides for a Legislative Management study of court fines and fees.

Senate Bill No. 2029 - This bill provides an appropriation of \$15.2 million from the general fund to the judicial branch and establishes the office of guardianship and conservatorship as a division under the Supreme Court.

Senate Bill No. 2036 - This bill codifies due process rights, provides a method for juvenile competency remediation, and allows the court to deflect cases based on prior judicial findings of a lack of fitness to proceed.

Senate Bill No. 2037 - This bill amends the statutory provisions relating to age-based sex offenses, sexual offender registration, child offender registration, domestic violence laws, and criminal responsibility for juvenile offenders.

Senate Bill No. 2054 - This bill provides for the master jury list maintained by the clerk of each county to be expanded to include persons receiving unemployment compensation, child care assistance, or other public assistance, contingent on the Department of Health and Human Services receiving a state plan amendment authorizing the disclosure of those individuals receiving public assistance and child care assistance.

Senate Bill No. 2056 - This bill allows for an arrested person to waive the right to appear before a district court judge prior to being transferred to the custody of the applicable tribal authority.

Senate Bill No. 2057 - This bill increases certain fees charged by municipal courts, district courts, and the Supreme Court.

Senate Bill No. 2291 - This bill amends law relating to quardians for children and persons with disabilities.