



The Council

Since You've Been Gone



The Legislative Council's postsession processing is well underway, with staff working to compile the content for two publications--the North Dakota Century Code and North Dakota Session Laws. Following the conclusion of the legislative session, all bills, resolutions, vetoes, and ballot measures are compiled for publication as the Session Laws. Only statutory changes from enacted bills are incorporated and published as the North Dakota Century Code. Provisions that do not amend or create Century Code, such as study directives, appropriations, and emergency clauses, are included only in the Session Laws.

The Century Code publication preparations begin during the second half of the session. As bills are enrolled and filed with the Secretary of State, the Legislative Council administrative staff tracks and compiles the bills for processing. The Code Revisor then analyzes each bill to determine its impact on the Century Code. This includes determining effective dates of enacted provisions, evaluating whether multiple versions must be published due to delayed or expiring provisions, and identifying where parenthetical notes are needed to provide important contextual details, such as an expiration date, a contingent effective date, or retroactive application. If a bill enacts a new, unnumbered Century Code provision, the Code Revisor also assigns a Century Code section number to ensure the provision is logically integrated into the existing code.

The Code Revisor's analysis is documented in publishing notes for each bill, which guide both the Legislative Council administrative staff and publisher when finalizing the Century Code updates. The administrative staff incorporates the publishing notes and thoroughly reviews the statutory changes before forwarding the updates to the publishing team. The administrative staff also updates the digital copy of the Century Code available on the legislative branch website to reflect the laws approved by the 69th Legislative Assembly, which will be available on the website on July 1.

Employee Spotlight



Levi Kinnischtzke joined the Legislative Council in 2016 and serves as a senior fiscal analyst. He previously worked at a public accounting firm in Bismarck providing audit and tax services. Levi's portfolio includes the Department of Commerce, the Information Technology Department, the Attorney General's office, natural resources agencies, and state employees.

Levi grew up in Tappen and Bismarck, North Dakota and graduated from the University of Mary with a bachelor's degree in accountancy and a master's degree in business administration. He earned his Certified Public Accountant license in 2016. Levi enjoys spending time with his wife and high school sweetheart, Ariana, and their two sons. In his free time, he also enjoys skiing, camping, hunting, and playing sports with his kids.

Memorial Day

The Legislative Council office will be **CLOSED** on Monday, May 26 for Memorial Day.

The Legislative Council would like to thank all service men and women for their sacrifice.



Employee Spotlight



Casey Orvedal started working for the state in 2023 as a law clerk for the North Dakota Supreme Court. He joined the Legislative Council in 2024 as counsel. His portfolio includes transportation, political subdivisions, government finances, financial institutions, and state lands and parks.

Casey grew up in Fargo and attended the University of North Dakota where he earned a bachelor's degree in business economics with a minor in political science and later completed a juris doctorate. In his free time, he enjoys watching car racing, reading, watching baseball, playing video games, and spending time with his girlfriend, Grace.

