

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDIES AND RESOLUTIONS TO BE PRIORITIZED FOR THE 2007-08 LEGISLATIVE INTERIM

This memorandum presents information on study directives of the 60th Legislative Assembly. The first column identifies the resolution or bill and section number of the study directive. The second column describes the study directive, as contained in the title of the resolution or the bill section (with respect to those bills that require a study rather than provide for Legislative Council discretion in screening the study as authorized under North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Section 54-35-02, the requirement is

indicated in the description). The third column provides information on relevant 2007 legislative proposals, current relevant laws, and previous Legislative Council studies. A two-year reference indicates the interim the study was conducted. The committee that conducted the study is identified after the description. A single-year reference with respect to a study indicates the legislative session the study was proposed, but which was not given priority by the Legislative Council.

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1473 § 1 (2005)	(Required Study by the Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration - Until July 1, 2009) Study sentencing alternatives, mandatory sentences, treatment options, the expanded use of problem-solving courts, home monitoring, and other related issues	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1015 § 10 - Engages consultant and architectural services, subject to Legislative Council approval, for the development of three correctional facility concepts to address the immediate and future needs of the State Penitentiary</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2029 - Authorizes the use of an electronic home detention and global positioning system monitoring for certain offenders</p> <p>HB 1015 - Expands statewide and makes permanent the 2005-06 pilot program in Walsh, Pembina, and Grand Forks Counties which provides that in lieu of incarceration, an individual who has pled guilty or has been found guilty of certain felony drug offenses may be sentenced to a period of probation of not less than 18 months in conjunction with a suspended execution of a sentence of imprisonment, a sentence to probation, or an order deferring imposition of sentence during which the individual may be required to participate in a drug addiction program</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1473 § 1 (2005-06) - The Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration recommended SB 2029, relating to electronic home detention which was enacted by the 60th Legislative Assembly</p> <p>SB 2015 § 12 (2005-06) - Directed the Legislative Council to appoint an interim committee to develop a legislative strategic plan, including site and facilities' plans, for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's incarceration and correctional facility needs (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p>

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1028 § 1	(Required Study by the 12-Member Energy Development and Transmission Committee - Until August 1, 2011) Study development of each facet of the energy industry, from the obtaining of the raw natural resource to the sale of the final product in this state, other states, and other countries	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1462 § 4 - Amends the same section of law as HB 1028 § 1</p> <p>Similar study - HB 1456 - Study the siting and decommissioning of commercial wind farms</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HCR 3020 - Declares the renewable energy policy of the 60th Legislative Assembly</p> <p>HB 1193 - Includes hydroelectric power as renewable electricity and recycled energy</p> <p>HB 1462 - Adopts the 25 by 2025 initiative for renewable resources to provide not less than 25 percent of the total energy consumed; creates a sales and use tax exemption for building a refinery of gas; creates a sales and use tax exemption for building an oil refinery; creates Title 17 for the biodiesel partnership in assisting community expansion program, ethanol, biofuels, biomass, solar energy, wind energy, hydroelectric power, geothermal, energy efficiency, the Transmission Authority, and the Pipeline Authority; and requires the Department of Commerce to convene an energy policy commission for the purpose of developing a comprehensive energy policy and report to the Legislative Council</p> <p>HB 1506 - Establishes a state renewable and recycled energy objective that 10 percent of all electricity sold at retail within the state by the year 2015 be obtained from renewable energy and recycled energy sources with special provisions for hydroelectric facilities and renewable electricity and recycled energy credits</p> <p>SB 2288 - Encourages a biomass energy center to identify and evaluate incentives for cellulosic ethanol production and biomass energy through the Legislative Assembly or at the federal level, creates the Renewable Energy Council, and provides authority to the Industrial Commission to finance renewable energy projects out of the renewable energy development fund to which \$3 million was appropriated</p> <p>HB 1514 - Provides an income tax credit for the installation of a biomass energy device</p> <p>HB 1128 - Creates the North Dakota Pipeline Authority that is required to deliver a written report on its activities to the Legislative Council</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>NDCC § 54-35-18 (Since 1997) - Electric industry competition (Electric Industry Competition Committee)</p> <p>Oil tax revenues have been monitored by the Budget Section, Budget Committee on Government Finance, or Budget Committee on Government Services during each interim since 1984.</p> <p>SB 2310 (2003-04) - Wind energy development (Electric Industry Competition Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3061 (2003-04) - The feasibility and desirability of enacting legislation to tax electric utility providers with a fair and uniform tax system (Electric Industry Competition Committee)</p> <p>HB 1390 § 1 (2001-02) - The use of biodiesel fuel in this state (Agriculture Committee)</p> <p>SB 2282 § 1 (2001-02) - Methods to encourage production and consumption of ethanol (Agriculture Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3049 (1999-2000) - Taxation and regulatory incentives for the lignite industry in order to improve its competitive position in the energy marketplace and to identify federal and international impediments to development of the lignite industry and potential state actions to address such impediments (Taxation Committee)</p>

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1462 § 4	<p>(Required Study by the Energy Development and Transmission Committee - Until August 1, 2011) Study the impact of a comprehensive energy policy for the state (in addition to the development of each facet of the energy industry)</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1028 § 1 - Amends the same section of law as HB 1462 § 4</p> <p>Similar study - HB 1456 - Study the siting and decommissioning of commercial wind farms</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HCR 3020 - Declares the renewable energy policy of the 60th Legislative Assembly</p> <p>HB 1193 - Includes hydroelectric power as renewable electricity and recycled energy</p> <p>HB 1462 - Adopts the 25 by 2025 initiative for renewable resources to provide not less than 25 percent of the total energy consumed; creates a sales and use tax exemption for building a refinery of gas; creates a sales and use tax exemption for building an oil refinery; creates Title 17 for the biodiesel partnership in assisting community expansion program, ethanol, biofuels, biomass, solar energy, wind energy, hydroelectric power, geothermal, energy efficiency, the Transmission Authority, and the Pipeline Authority; and requires the Department of Commerce to convene an energy policy commission for the purpose of developing a comprehensive energy policy and report to the Legislative Council</p> <p>HB 1506 - Establishes a state renewable and recycled energy objective that 10 percent of all electricity sold at retail within the state by the year 2015 be obtained from renewable energy and recycled energy sources with special provisions for hydroelectric facilities and renewable electricity and recycled energy credits</p> <p>SB 2288 - Encourages a biomass energy center to identify and evaluate incentives for cellulosic ethanol production and biomass energy through the Legislative Assembly or at the federal level, creates the Renewable Energy Council, and provides authority to the Industrial Commission to finance renewable energy projects out of the renewable energy development fund to which \$3 million was appropriated</p> <p>HB 1514 - Provides an income tax credit for the installation of a biomass energy device</p> <p>HB 1128 - Creates the North Dakota Pipeline Authority that is required to deliver a written report on its activities to the Legislative Council</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>NDCC § 54-35-18 (Since 1997) - Electric industry competition (Electric Industry Competition Committee)</p> <p>Oil tax revenues have been monitored by the Budget Section, Budget Committee on Government Finance, or Budget Committee on Government Services during each interim since 1984.</p> <p>SB 2310 (2003-04) - Wind energy development (Electric Industry Competition Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3061 (2003-04) - The feasibility and desirability of enacting legislation to tax electric utility providers with a fair and uniform tax system (Electric Industry Competition Committee)</p> <p>HB 1390 § 1 (2001-02) - The use of biodiesel fuel in this state (Agriculture Committee)</p> <p>SB 2282 § 1 (2001-02) - Methods to encourage production and consumption of ethanol (Agriculture Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3049 (1999-2000) - Taxation and regulatory incentives for the lignite industry in order to improve its competitive position in the energy marketplace and to identify federal and international impediments to development of the lignite industry and potential state actions to address such impediments (Taxation Committee)</p>

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1456 § 1	<p>(Required Study) Study the siting and decommissioning of commercial wind farms, including identification of key issues of public and industry concern; solicitation of public input from local government officials, electric utilities, the wind industry, landowners, farm organizations, and other concerned interests; review of the laws and policies of other jurisdictions; recommendations concerning laws or policies needed in this state to address wind farm siting and reclamation of wind farm sites; and the decommissioning of wind farm sites</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1363 - Failed to pass the House; would have provided for the decommissioning of commercial wind energy facilities</p> <p>HB 1028 - Renames, expands the jurisdiction of, and extends the Energy Development and Transmission Committee</p> <p>HB 1506 - Establishes a state renewable and recycled energy objective, adds hydroelectricity, as a source of renewable and recycled energy, and mandates public reporting on progress toward meeting the renewable energy and recycled energy objective</p> <p>HB 1231 - Provides that the prohibition on the severance of wind energy rights does not prohibit or limit the right of a seller of real estate to retain any payments associated with an existing wind energy project</p> <p>HB 1233 - Provides for the assignment of wind energy device installation tax credits</p> <p>HB 1317 - Authorizes the Public Service Commission to adopt rules governing the decommissioning of commercial wind energy conversion facilities and revises the taxable valuation of centrally assessed wind turbine electric generators</p> <p>HB 1072 - Revises the taxable valuation of centrally assessed wind turbine electric generators</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2310 § 1 (2003-04) - Issues related to wind energy development in this state (Natural Resources Committee)</p> <p>SB 2036 (2001-02) - Feasibility and desirability of wind energy development in North Dakota. Although the Legislative Council did not give priority to this study, the Council did request the Electric Industry Competition Committee to review wind energy as a part of its study of electric industry competition and electric suppliers (Electric Industry Competition Committee)</p>

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2180 § 8	Study the agronomic, economic, and environmental issues related to biofuels production in North Dakota, including the availability of feedstocks and other production resources, existing and future production capacity, farmer and processor contracting models, public and private financial incentives, and the transportation infrastructure necessary to meet optimum production and marketability levels for biofuels in this state	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2180 - Renames the biodiesel partnership in assisting community expansion fund the biofuel partnership in assisting community expansion fund and increases the maximum amount from the fund for interest rate buydowns and revises the funds' eligible uses</p> <p>SB 2159 - Requires ethanol dispensing units to bear the Ethanol Promotion Information Council label or logo</p> <p>SB 2288 - Encourages the State Board of Higher Education to establish or name a biomass energy center or centers at an institution or institutions under the control of the board to conduct research and provide education and technical assistance related to biomass production, harvesting, transportation, and conversion; establishes the Renewable Energy Council; and appropriates \$20 million to the Industrial Commission for the purposes of carrying out the renewable energy development functions of the Act</p> <p>SCR 4009 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have provided for a constitutional amendment mandating gasoline and diesel fuel ethanol and biodiesel content standards</p> <p>SB 2391 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have enacted retail ethanol sales incentive refunds to motor vehicle fuel dealers</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1390 § 1 (2001) - The use of biodiesel fuel in this state (Agriculture Committee)</p> <p>SB 2282 § 1 (2001) - Methods to encourage production and consumption of ethanol (Agriculture Committee)</p>

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1156 § 1	<p>(Required Study by the Six-Member Workers' Compensation Review Committee) Review workers' compensation claims that are brought to the committee by injured workers for the purpose of determining whether changes should be made to the laws relating to workers' compensation</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1460 § 4 - Study of the Workforce Safety and Insurance governance changes made during the 2007 legislative session</p> <p>NDCC § 65-02-03.3 - Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee receives an annual report from the director of Workforce Safety and Insurance and the chairman of the Workforce Safety and Insurance Board of Directors</p> <p>NDCC § 65-02-30 - Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee receives a report from the director of Workforce Safety and Insurance, chairman of the Workforce Safety and Insurance Board of Directors, and the auditor regarding the biennial performance audit of Workforce Safety and Insurance</p> <p>NDCC § 65-04-03.1 - Budget Section receives periodic reports from Workforce Safety and Insurance and the Risk Management Division of the Office of Management and Budget on the success of a single workers' compensation account for state entities covered by Chapter 32-12.2</p> <p>NDCC § 65-06.2-09 - Legislative Council receives safety audit of the Roughrider Industries work program and performance audit of the program of modified workers' compensation coverage</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1156 - Removes the expiration date from the statute providing for the Workers' Compensation Review Committee</p> <p>2005-06 Workers' Compensation Review Committee - Recommended HB 1038 and SB 2042, which were enacted by the 60th Legislative Assembly</p> <p>HB 1460 - Modifies the membership of the Workforce Safety and Insurance Board of Directors and limits the spending authority of Workforce Safety and Insurance</p> <p>SB 2021 § 6 - Authorizes Workforce Safety and Insurance to establish and implement programs to advance occupational health and preventative medicine and to protect the integrity of the fund</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>NDCC § 54-35-22 (2005-06) - Workers' compensation claims that are brought to the Workers' Compensation Review Committee by injured workers for the purpose of determining whether changes should be made to the laws relating to workers' compensation (Workers' Compensation Review Committee)</p> <p>Legislative Council Chairman Directive (2003-04) - Reviewed the 2004 rate increase proposed by Workforce Safety and Insurance and projections for future rate assignments (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3050 (2003) - Equity of the current system for awarding workers' compensation death benefits and the feasibility and desirability of creating a death benefit investment system (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3064 (2001) - Workers' compensation fraud by employers, employees, attorneys, health care providers, and rehabilitation service providers in order to identify the financial impact of such fraud on the North Dakota workers' compensation fund, the most appropriate method of addressing such fraud, and the cost of addressing such fraud (Not given priority)</p>

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2402 § 1	(Required Study by the Seven-Member Tribal and State Relations Committee - Until August 1, 2009) Study tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations, the delivery of services, case management services, child support enforcement, and issues related to the promotion of economic development	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2403 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have exempted certain Turtle Mountain Band of Chippewa Indian basic care and nursing facility beds from the basic and long-term care bed capacity moratorium</p> <p>HB 1137 - Establishes the North Dakota American Indian Business Development Office</p> <p>HB 1025 - Failed to pass the House; would have authorized the Governor to negotiate reserved water rights of the United States and federally recognized Indian tribes</p> <p>HB 1098 - Revises the membership of the Indian Affairs Commission by adding the chairman of the Sisseton-Wahpeton Oyate of the Lake Traverse Reservation and authorizes a designee of the tribal chairman to serve on the commission</p> <p>SB 2419 - Authorizes the Governor to enter agreements with the Three Affiliated Tribes relating to taxation and regulation of oil and gas exploration and production within the boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation</p> <p>HB 1393 - Exempts income, sales, use, and motor vehicle excise taxes for enrolled tribal members</p> <p>HB 1504 - Provides for licensing of tribal police officers</p> <p>HB 1503 - Extends the tribal-state guaranty program</p> <p>HB 1395 - Appropriates \$700,000 from the permanent oil tax trust fund to the State Board of Higher Education for the purpose of providing grant assistance and payments to tribally controlled community colleges</p> <p>SB 2404 - Failed to pass the House; would have appropriated \$700,000 to the State Board of Higher Education for the purpose of funding grant assistance payments to tribally controlled community colleges</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1524 § 1 (2005-06) - Tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations, the delivery of services, case management services, child support enforcement, and issues related to promotion of economic development (Tribal and State Relations Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3001 (2005) - The legal and enforcement issues relating to child support collections on Indian reservations, including state and tribal court jurisdictions, recognition of income withholding orders, and logistics involved in transferring child support collected to custodial parents (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3031 (2005) - Issues relating to tribal-state relations, including methods for encouraging greater tribal-state cooperation; the promotion of economic development on Indian reservations in the state; the identification and study of health care, child welfare services, social services, environmental protection, education, and law enforcement issues on the reservations; the identification and study of the social and fiscal impact of providing social services in counties within and adjacent to the reservations; and the identification and proposals for the resolution of the water issues affecting the state and the tribes (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4029 (2003) - Issues relating to the Indian population of the state, including sovereignty, educational opportunities, population disbursement, unemployment, health concerns, suicide rates, living conditions, and impact on the caseloads of the Department of Human Services and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4035 (2003) - The prevention of and dispositional alternatives to juvenile crime with a focus on services offered to American Indian children (Criminal Justice Committee)</p>

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1092 § 37	Study the application of and the desirability of changing the law relating to the welfare of Indian children when placed in the care of individuals other than parents and the effect of the Indian Child Welfare Act on state law	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2402 - Extends the expiration date of the Tribal and State Relations Committee to July 31, 2009</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1092 - Juvenile proceedings involving Indian children</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1524 § 1 (2005) - Established the Tribal and State Relations Committee to study tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations, the delivery of services, case management services, child support enforcement, and issues related to the promotion of economic development (Tribal and State Relations Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3001 (2005) - The legal and enforcement issues relating to child support collections on Indian reservations, including state and tribal court jurisdictions, recognition of income withholding orders, and logistics involved in transferring child support collected to custodial parents (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3031 (2005) - Issues relating to tribal-state relations, including methods for encouraging greater tribal-state cooperation; the promotion of economic development on Indian reservations in the state; the identification and study of health care, child welfare services, social services, environmental protection, education, and law enforcement issues on the reservations; the identification and study of the social and fiscal impact of providing social services in counties within and adjacent to the reservations; and the identification and proposals for the resolution of the water issues affecting the state and the tribes (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4029 (2003) - Issues relating to the Indian population of the state, including sovereignty, educational opportunities, population disbursement, unemployment, health concerns, suicide rates, living conditions, and impact on the caseloads of the Department of Human Services and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2114 § 3 (1999-2000) - Required the Department of Human Services to report periodically to the Legislative Council on the progress of any negotiation with any tribal government to establish a pilot project for administration of a tribal family assistance grant from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>SCR 4001 (1997-98) - Monitored mental health and foster care services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>SCR 4053 (1997-98) - The prevention of and dispositional alternatives to juvenile crime with a focus on services offered to American Indian children (Criminal Justice Committee)</p>

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1015 § 10	<p>(Required Study by a Six-Member Correctional Facility Review Committee) Engage consultant and architectural services, subject to Legislative Council approval, for the development of three correctional facility concepts to address the immediate and future needs of the State Penitentiary</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SCR 4029 - Directs a study of the feasibility and desirability of transferring some of the facilities and property of the State Hospital from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation</p> <p>HB 1015 § 8 - Authorizes the Office of Management and Budget to transfer \$41 million to the State Penitentiary land fund to be used for correctional facility construction for a project authorized and approved in accordance with Section 10 of this bill</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1026 - Failed to pass the House; provided an appropriation of \$38 million for the renovation and expansion of the State Penitentiary</p> <p>HB 1159 - Failed to pass the House; provided for the construction of a 950-bed correctional facility</p> <p>HB 1482 - Sets forth a procedure for the admission of chronically or terminally ill inmates to health care facilities</p> <p>HB 1502 - Failed to pass the House; provided for the construction of state correctional facilities at the State Penitentiary</p> <p>SB 2136 - Directs the executive director of the Department of Human Services and the director of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to enter an interagency agreement that must provide that the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is required to train, consult, and assist the Department of Human Services with the provision and enforcement of safety and security procedures at state-owned facilities for all individuals placed at those facilities for evaluation or civil commitment and treatment</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1473 (2005-06) - Established a Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration to study sentencing alternatives, mandatory sentences, treatment options, the expanded use of problem-solving courts, home monitoring, and other related issues (Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration)</p> <p>SB 2015 § 12 (2005-06) - Developed a legislative strategic plan, including site and facilities' plans, for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's incarceration and correctional facility needs (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>SCR 4037 (2003-04) - The needs of individuals with mental illness, drug and alcohol addictions, and physical or developmental disabilities, including individuals with multiple needs, and how the state responds to those needs; the long-term plans for the State Hospital, the Developmental Center at Westwood Park, Grafton, state and county correctional facilities, and other state facilities and the relationships among those facilities; and the impact and availability of community services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>SB 2016 § 5 (2001-02) - The facilities and operations of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Corrections Committee)</p> <p>HB 1431 § 1 (2001) - The correctional system in North Dakota, including its functions, responsibilities, funding, causes for increases in the state's inmate population, and the effectiveness of sentencing laws, incarceration, and treatment (Not given priority)</p>

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4029	Study the feasibility and desirability of transferring some of the facilities and property of the State Hospital from the Department of Human Services to the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, including consideration of any constitutional, legal, and financial issues related to a transfer and creation of a comprehensive plan for the care of individuals with mental illness and care for individuals addicted to alcohol or other drugs and for the best use of the State Hospital facilities and property, including the continuation of a state hospital in Jamestown to provide necessary services to individuals with mental illness and drug addiction and alcoholism	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1015 § 10 - Provides for a Correctional Facility Review Committee to address the immediate and future needs of the State Penitentiary, including a review of the facility and staffing needs of the James River Correctional Center</p> <p>SB 2136 - Directs the executive director of the Department of Human Services and the director of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation to enter an interagency agreement that must provide that the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is required to train, consult, and assist the Department of Human Services with the provision and enforcement of safety and security procedures at state-owned facilities for all individuals placed at those facilities for evaluation or civil commitment and treatment. The interagency agreement must provide that the executive director of the Department of Human Services is to continue to be responsible for the custody and care of the individuals placed at those facilities for evaluation or civil commitment.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1482 - Sets forth a procedure for the admission of chronically or terminally ill inmates to health care facilities</p> <p>HB 1026 - Failed to pass the House; provided an appropriation of \$38 million for the renovation and expansion of the State Penitentiary</p> <p>HB 1159 - Failed to pass the House; provided for the construction of a 950-bed correctional facility</p> <p>HB 1502 - Failed to pass the House; provided for the construction of state correctional facilities at the State Penitentiary</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1473 (2005-06) - A Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration to study sentencing alternatives, mandatory sentences, treatment options, the expanded use of problem-solving courts, home monitoring, and other related issues (Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration)</p> <p>SB 2015 § 12 (2005-06) - Developed a legislative strategic plan, including site and facilities' plans, for the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation's incarceration and correctional facility needs (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>HCR 3047 (2005) - Sentencing alternatives with an emphasis on the expanded use of rehabilitation over incarceration, the provision of more treatment options, and the adequate funding of treatment programs (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4037 (2003-04) - The needs of individuals with mental illness, drug and alcohol addictions, and physical or developmental disabilities, including individuals with multiple needs, and how the state responds to those needs; the long-term plans for the State Hospital, the Developmental Center at Westwood Park, Grafton, state and county correctional facilities, and other state facilities and the relationships among those facilities; and the impact and availability of community services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>SB 2016 § 5 (2001-02) - The facilities and operations of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Corrections Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4018 (2001-02) - The commitment procedures contained in NDCC Chapter 25-03.1 to determine if North Dakota law sufficiently addresses the treatment needs of controlled substance abusers in this state, the mandatory minimum sentence requirements of NDCC Chapter 19-03.1, and the mandatory minimum sentencing laws from other states (Corrections Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4033 (2001-02) - The commitment procedures for individuals with mental illness (Judiciary A Committee)</p>

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1018 § 19	<p>(Required Study by an Economic Development Committee) Participate in the Department of Commerce Renaissance Zone Conference to review the list of projects in the state which have been undertaken under the renaissance zone program, evaluate whether the projects have positively impacted the renaissance zone communities, consider options for smaller communities to become involved in the renaissance zone program or a similar program, and make recommendations regarding how the program could be improved to further meet the needs of the state and local communities</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HCR 3049 - Study whether it is feasible and desirable to modify the renaissance zone law to allow for scattered site development</p> <p>NDCC § 40-63-03 - Legislative Council receives annual reports from the Department of Commerce Division of Community Services on renaissance zone progress</p> <p>NDCC § 40-63-03 - Budget Section receives annual reports from the Department of Commerce Division of Community Services on conclusions of annual audits of renaissance fund organizations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1225 - Increases the maximum size of a renaissance zone and allows a zone a single exception to the contiguous boundary and contiguous block requirements</p>

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3049	Study whether it is feasible and desirable to modify the renaissance zone law to allow for scattered site development	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1018 § 19 - Department of Commerce to organize, host, and facilitate a renaissance zone conference, with participation by members of Legislative Council interim committee studying economic development-related issues</p> <p>NDCC § 40-63-03 - Legislative Council receives annual reports from the Department of Commerce Division of Community Services on renaissance zone progress</p> <p>NDCC § 40-63-03 - Budget Section receives annual reports from the Department of Commerce Division of Community Services on conclusions of annual audits of renaissance fund organizations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1225 - Increases the maximum size of a renaissance zone and allows a zone a single exception to the contiguous boundary and contiguous block requirements</p>

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1018 § 20	(Required Study) Study the state's system for addressing workforce needs through a workforce system initiative that includes receipt of agency reports regarding implementation of workforce legislation enacted during the 2007 legislative session, active participation in focus groups across the state, and active participation in a workforce congress	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1018 § 19 - Provides for the Department of Commerce to organize, host, and facilitate a renaissance zone conference, with participation by members of Legislative Council interim committee studying economic development-related issues</p> <p>HB 1018 § 21 - Study the organization, powers, duties, and effectiveness of the Department of Commerce</p> <p>HB 1018 § 50 - Repeals the Business Climate Initiative for the 2007-08 interim</p> <p>SB 2149 § 3 - Study job development authorities across the state to determine the economic impact created by the authorities, to examine funding mechanisms used by the authorities when expending resources for economic development purposes, and to determine whether the authorities serve a viable purpose</p> <p>HCR 3025 - Study possible methods of growing North Dakota's population and increasing the available workforce in the state</p> <p>HCR 3049 - Study whether it is feasible and desirable to modify the renaissance zone law to allow for scattered site developments</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1018 §§ 36 and 37 - Broaden the duties of the Department of Commerce Division of Workforce Development to include actively monitoring local, regional, and national private and public workforce development initiatives; developing and implementing the state's talent strategy; developing and implementing a statewide intelligence coordination strategy; administering a program to increase use of higher education internships and work experience opportunities for higher education students; and developing and implementing a program to assist public schools in promoting North Dakota career opportunities</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2032 § 17 (2005-06) - The state's business climate through a business climate initiative, including receipt of agency reports regarding economic development legislation introduced by the Legislative Council during previous legislative sessions, participation in business climate focus groups across the state, and participation in a Business Congress (Economic Development Committee)</p> <p>HB 1504 § 1 (2003-04) - The state's business climate, including the creation of an index of key objective measurements that address the state's competitiveness with other states; the consideration of methods of creating business partnerships with North Dakota Indian tribes in order to increase primary sector business growth in the state, with a focus on business opportunities that may be available to North Dakota Indian tribes through the United States Small Business Administration 8(a) business development program; and active participation in the activities of the primary sector Business Congress (Economic Development Committee)</p> <p>HB 1017 § 5 (2003-04) - The impact of pending federal legislation that would significantly change the respective federal-state responsibilities and funding for workforce development, workforce training, public labor exchange, and unemployment insurance programs, including appropriate organizational placement within state government for delivery of workforce development, workforce training, public labor exchange, and unemployment insurance programs, and appropriate methods of funding the programs, including replacement of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act funds currently funding the administration of the unemployment insurance and public labor exchange program (Commerce Committee)</p>

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2149 § 3	<p>(Required Study) Study job development authorities across the state to determine the economic impact created by the authorities, to examine funding mechanisms used by the authorities when expending resources for economic development purposes, and to determine whether the authorities serve a viable purpose</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1018 § 20 - Study the state's system for addressing workforce needs through a workforce system initiative, including receipt of agency reports regarding implementation of workforce legislation enacted during the 2007 legislative session, active participation in focus groups across the state, and active participation in a workforce congress before June 1, 2008. The Department of Commerce, in consultation with the Legislative Council, is to organize the focus groups and workforce congress and the Legislative Council and Department of Commerce are to enter a joint contract with a third party to provide professional services to plan, facilitate, report on, and coordinate followup for the focus groups and workforce congress</p> <p>NDCC § 54-35.2-02 - Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations studies local government structure, fiscal and other powers and functions of local governments, relationships between and among local governments and the state or any other government, allocation of state and local resources, and interstate issues involving local governments</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2149 §§ 1 and 2 - Expand the powers of county and municipal job development authorities to include taking equity positions in, providing loans to, and using any other innovative financing mechanism to provide capital for a new or expanding business in the state or for a business relocating to this state</p> <p>HB 1371 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have increased the per diem compensation for members of county job development authority boards of directors</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1019 § 16 (1999-2000) - Economic development efforts in the state, including the provision of economic development services statewide and the related effectiveness, the potential for the privatization of the Department of Economic Development and Finance, and the appropriate location of the North Dakota Development Fund, including the potential transfer of the fund to the Bank of North Dakota (Commerce and Labor Committee)</p>

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1018 § 27	Study the state's housing needs and how unmet housing needs may affect economic development in the state	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1018 - Authorizes the Housing Finance Agency to provide assistance in the development of lower to moderate income housing or otherwise assist a developing community in the state address an unmet housing need or alleviate a housing shortage under the mortgage loan financing program and the housing grant program</p> <p>SB 2333 - Failed to pass the House; would have established a Housing Finance Agency program to bridge the financing gap of new residential construction in rural communities</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>During the 2005-06 interim, the Economic Development Committee addressed housing issues and recommended the financing programs that were included in House Bill No. 1018.</p> <p>HCR 3043 (2005) - The need for supportive housing and services, including emergency shelters, transition housing, and permanent support of housing for homeless individuals and families with children (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2046 (1997-98) - The availability of affordable housing for middle income households, for the elderly, and in rural areas of the state (Commerce and Agriculture Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4003 (1995-96) - The feasibility and adaptability of a long-term funding initiative to make available housing for families who are low-income, homeless, or disabled, or who require transitional housing to assist them toward independent living (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p>

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3025	Study possible methods of growing North Dakota's population and increasing the available workforce in the state	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1018 § 20 - Study the state's system for addressing workforce needs through a workforce system initiative, including receipt of agency reports regarding implementation of workforce legislation enacted during the 2007 legislative session, active participation in focus groups across the state, and active participation in a workforce congress before June 1, 2008. The Department of Commerce, in consultation with the Legislative Council, is to organize the focus groups and workforce congress and the Legislative Council and Department of Commerce are to enter a joint contract with a third party to provide professional services to plan, facilitate, report on, and coordinate followup for the focus groups and workforce congress.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3072 (2003-04) - Possible methods of growing North Dakota's population, including approaches to decreasing outmigration and increasing in-migration, and review how other states are dealing with related population issues (Economic Development Committee)</p> <p>HB 1017 § 5 (2003-04) - The impact of pending federal legislation that would significantly change the respective federal-state responsibilities and funding for workforce development, workforce training, public labor exchange, and unemployment insurance programs, including appropriate organizational placement within state government for delivery of workforce development, workforce training, public labor exchange, and unemployment insurance programs, and appropriate methods of funding the programs, including replacement of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act funds currently funding the administration of the unemployment insurance and public labor exchange program (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SB 2020 § 4 (2001-02) - Workforce training and development programs in North Dakota, including efforts to recruit and retain North Dakota's workforce, underemployment and skills shortages, current workforce training efforts, and the involvement of the New Economy Initiative goals and strategies; and the Work Force 2000 and new jobs training programs and other workforce training and development programs administered by agencies of the state of North Dakota, and the feasibility and desirability of consolidating in a single agency the funding and administration of those programs (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4033 (1999) - Outmigration of North Dakota residents (Not given priority)</p>

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1018 § 21	Study the organization, powers, duties, and effectiveness of the Department of Commerce, including review of the legislative history leading to the creation of the department; review of the legislative and executive branch expectations in the creation of the department and whether those expectations are being met; evaluation of the effectiveness of the North Dakota Economic Development Foundation in providing a nonpartisan, private sector perspective to the department's approach to the department's duties; evaluation of the organizational structure of the department, including whether the department should include a division of science and technology; and evaluation of the strategic planning process of the department and its effectiveness	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 54-60-11 - Legislative Council receives biennial report from the Commissioner of Commerce on the process used and factors considered by the commissioner in identifying target industries on which economic development efforts are focused and the special focus target industry</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2019 § 17 (2001-02) - The feasibility and desirability of expanding North Dakota's economic development marketing efforts to include international markets and establishing a Global Marketing Division within the Department of Commerce (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SB 2020 § 4 (2001-02) - Workforce training and development programs in North Dakota, including efforts to recruit and retain North Dakota's workforce, underemployment and skills shortages, current workforce training efforts, and the involvement of the New Economy Initiative goals and strategies; and the Work Force 2000 and new jobs training programs and other workforce training and development programs administered by agencies of the state of North Dakota, and the feasibility and desirability of consolidating in a single agency the funding and administration of those programs (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>HB 1019 § 16 (1999-2000) - Economic development efforts in the state, including the provision of economic development services statewide and the related effectiveness, the potential for the privatization of the Department of Economic Development and Finance, and the appropriate location of the North Dakota Development Fund, including the potential transfer of the fund to the Bank of North Dakota (Commerce and Labor Committee)</p>

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1012 § 6	(Required Study) Study highway funding and transportation infrastructure needs, including those needs resulting from energy and economic development in the state	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1012 - Provides for 10 percent of motor vehicle excise tax to be transferred to the highway fund</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1166 - Requires the Department of Transportation to make paving four lanes of Highway 52 as an alternative plan</p> <p>HB 1495 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required cities and counties to use not less than 15 percent of highway tax distribution funds on priorities of the director of the Department of Transportation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2032 § 23 (2005-06) - Received a report from the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute on how improvement of transportation infrastructure of this state might enhance the business climate and economic development (Transportation Committee)</p> <p>Legislative Council Chairman Directive (2005-06) - Federal highway appropriations and state matching requirements (Transportation Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3013 (2003) - Laws of this state concerning abandonment and vacation of sections of routes of the state highway system (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3018 (2003) - Impact of high-volume grain terminals on local highway systems and possible methods of mitigating the impact (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2159 § 5 (2001-02) - Highway construction and maintenance funding, including revenue sources and distribution formulas for the state, cities, and counties (Budget Committee on Government Administration)</p> <p>HCR 3056 (2001) - The state of and future demands on the transportation infrastructure in this state (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1462 § 8 (1999-2000) - The application, enforcement, and administration under the fuels tax laws</p> <p>HB 1183 (1999) - Various sources of revenues for highway funding and comparisons with other states' highway funding systems to develop an optimum blend of reliable funding sources for highway purposes (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4019 (1997-98) - Adequacy of transportation funding in this state (Budget Committee on Government Finance)</p>

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2178 § 3	(Required Study) Study the allocation of oil and gas tax revenues to or for the benefit of political subdivisions with emphasis on determining whether allocations sufficiently address oil and gas development infrastructure impact to political subdivisions	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2178 - Increases the revenue cap on counties to provide an additional \$1 million allocation of oil and gas gross production tax revenues if the county levies a total of at least 10 mills for combined county road and bridge, farm-to-market and federal-aid road, and county road purposes. The additional revenue is all to be credited to the county general fund.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1044 - Increases the county's share of oil and gas gross production tax revenue from production within the county. A county could receive up to \$750,000 additional revenue from production within the county.</p> <p>HB 1279 - Makes permanent the shallow gas gross production tax exemption that was scheduled to sunset June 30, 2007</p> <p>HCR 3045 - Places on the 2008 general election ballot the question of establishing a constitutional permanent oil tax trust fund which would receive all revenue deposited in the general fund during the biennium exceeding \$100 million</p> <p>SB 2361 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have provided a sales tax exemption for pipe used for pipelines associated with the Bakken formation and provided a 24-month extraction tax exemption for new wells in the Bakken formation</p> <p>SB 2397 - Provides a reduced rate of 2 percent oil extraction tax on the first 75,000 barrels of oil during the first 18 months after completion of a horizontal well in the Bakken formation</p> <p>SB 2157 - As introduced, would have changed the computation of the trigger price under the extraction tax, to be based on the North Dakota differential. The bill was withdrawn.</p> <p>SB 2367 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required annual recertification of stripper well status under the oil extraction tax</p> <p>SB 2419 - Allows the Governor to enter agreements with the Three Affiliated Tribes relating to taxation and regulation of oil and gas exploration and production on the Fort Berthold Reservation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>Oil tax revenues have been monitored by the Budget Section, Budget Committee on Government Finance, or Budget Committee on Government Services during each interim since 1984.</p> <p>Added committee assignment (1987-88) - Status of oil and coal taxes as a result of 1987 tax breaks (Budget Section)</p> <p>HCR 3015 (1985-86) - Oil and gas laws (Oil and Gas Committee)</p> <p>Added committee assignment (1985-86) - Taxation of oil, gas, and coal (Taxation Committee)</p>

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2188 § 2	<p>(Required Study) Study risk assessments for railroad facilities, the handling of hazardous cargo by railroads, and the ability of railroads to respond to potential accidents and emergencies, including sabotage, terrorism, and other crimes, and including an evaluation of whether whistleblower protection would provide a desirable response in employees to report dangerous conditions or violations of law relating to hazards, emergencies, and accidents</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2188 § 1 - Requires a railroad corporation to provide immediate notification to the Department of Emergency Services of an accidental release of a hazardous material and, as introduced, would have required an operator of a rail facility to provide a risk assessment to the Public Service Commission, the Division of Homeland Security, and the Department of Emergency Services for all of a railroad's facilities, communications to local and state law enforcement, emergency, and transportation officials of sabotage, terrorism, and other crimes, and communications to the Department of Emergency Services of an accidental release or derailment involving a hazardous material; as introduced, the bill provided immunity for whistleblowers and civil damages for the punishment of a whistleblower</p> <p>Similar study - SB 2016 § 8 - Study the Department of Emergency Services, including the Division of Homeland Security and Division of State Radio</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2358 § 5 (2003-04) - Sale and lease of railroad rights of way (Transportation Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3064 (2003) - Use of remote-controlled locomotives and related safety and security (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2008 § 7 (1995-96) - Services provided by the Public Service Commission, their cost and effectiveness, and the need for continuing the services as a result of regulatory changes at both the state and federal level (Government Organization Committee)</p>

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1012 § 5	Study the traffic fines imposed by state and local governments	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2393 - Failed to pass the House; would have limited the amount a home rule city may charge for city traffic offense violations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1113 - Failed to pass the House; would have increased certain state traffic offense fees</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1396 § 1 (2005) - Driving under the influence, repeat offenses, prevention, enforcement, and penalties (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3005 (2001-02) - Fees and point demerits for traffic offenses (Judiciary B Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4042 (2001-02) - The feasibility and desirability of a centralized process for administering noncriminal traffic violations</p> <p>SCR 4051 (1999-2000) - Classification of criminal offenses throughout the North Dakota Century Code (Criminal Justice Committee)</p>

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1359 § 2	Study Federal Motor Carrier Safety Regulations and exemptions for interstate and intrastate transportation in relation to this state's law and exemptions, including a review of any industry-specific applications of regulations and possible exemptions to current transportation activities within this state	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1359 § 1 - Prohibits the Highway Patrol from enforcing rear-end protection on a rear-end dump truck or other rear unloading truck or trailer while used to haul agricultural or farm products from a place of production or on a farm storage site to a place of processing or storage. This section is effective the earlier of October 1, 2008, or on approval of this state's application for exemption from rear-end protection requirements by the Federal Motor Carrier Safety Administration, unless the superintendent of the Highway Patrol does not complete and submit an application for exemption for vehicles by July 1, 2007, then this section becomes effective on August 1, 2007.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1400 - Allows the waiver of the knowledge and skills test for a commercial driver's license for retailers and suppliers of trees</p> <p>HB 1334 - Allows an individual to transport students in a 10- to 15-passenger bus if that individual meets the physical and medical requirements for a commercial vehicle driver</p> <p>HB 1081 - Allows an individual to "drive" a schoolbus (without students in the bus) without requiring the appropriate license to operate a schoolbus (with students in the bus)</p>

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2032 § 13	<p>(Required Study during the 2007-08, 2009-10, and 2011-12 interims) Study the feasibility and desirability of property tax reform and providing property tax relief to taxpayers of the state, with the goal of reduction of each taxpayer's annual property tax bill to an amount that is not more than 1.5 percent of the true and full value of property, and including examination of the proper measure of education funding from local taxation and state resources and the variability of funding resources among taxing districts and examination of improved collection and reporting of property tax information to identify residency of property owners with minimized administrative difficulty</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2032 - Provides income tax credits for 2007 and 2008 of 10 percent of residential, agricultural, and commercial property taxes and mobile homes taxes. The bill expands homestead credit income eligibility and value of property covered by the exemption. The bill reduces from 15 to 10 percent the amount of assessment increase that requires a written notice to the property owner. The bill imposes a 10-year limit on voter approval of increased or unlimited school general fund levy authority and reduces the signature requirements to put reconsideration of increased or unlimited school district levy authority on the ballot. The bill requires three years of property tax and mobile homes tax information on tax statements.</p> <p>HB 1303 - Requires use of soil surveys in agricultural property assessment and application of modifiers for agricultural assessments. The bill also provides for withholding from a county's allocation of state aid distribution fund revenue if the county has not fully implemented use of soil surveys for agricultural assessments for taxable years after 2009.</p> <p>HB 1332 - Reduces the period for foreclosure of a property tax lien from four to two years from the date the tax became due</p> <p>HB 1446 - Allows an excess levy for a township to be increased from 50 to 100 percent above the basic legal levy limitations</p> <p>SB 2172 - Provides expanded homestead exemption availability for a paraplegic disabled veteran or a disabled veteran</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2404 § 1 (2005-06) - Enhanced funding for elementary and secondary education and methods, including sales tax, income tax, and tax exemptions, by which the state's reliance on property taxes to fund elementary and secondary education could be reduced (Finance and Taxation Committee)</p> <p>Governor's Commission on Education Improvement (2005-06) - Study of education funding adequacy and equity which will be continued in the 2007-08 interim</p> <p>SB 2421 § 32 (2003-04) - The manner in which elementary and secondary education is funded in this state and the feasibility and desirability of instituting alternative funding methods, including consideration of the amount of local contribution on a per resident basis (Education Finance Committee)</p> <p>SB 2428 (2001-02) - The state and local tax structure for funding elementary and secondary education to determine the feasibility and desirability of enhanced state funding to school districts for delivery of core curriculum instructions, the equity of the existing degree of reliance on property tax revenues for elementary and secondary education funding, and whether improved efficiency is attainable in the delivery of elementary and secondary education services (Education Committee)</p> <p>SB 2162 (1999-2000) - Provision of education to public school students in this state and the manner in which education to public school students will be delivered in the ensuing 5, 10, and 20 years (Education Finance Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3037 (1997-98) - Feasibility and desirability of providing property tax relief through alternative state and local revenue sources (Taxation Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3044 (1997-98) - Impact of tax-exempt property on school districts (Taxation Committee)</p> <p>SB 2338 (1997-98) - Financing of elementary and secondary schools and the availability of state support for school construction (Education Finance Committee)</p>

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4031	Study political subdivisions that receive property tax revenue and any changes that may increase efficiencies and reduce property taxes	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC Chapter 54-35.2 - Establishes the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations, with statutory directives to study issues involving local government structure, fiscal affairs of local governments, and relationships between and among local governments and the state plus allocation of state and local revenues</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2032 - Provides income tax credits for 10 percent of property taxes for agricultural, residential, and commercial property</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations study (1997-98) - County reorganization</p> <p>Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations study (1995-96) - Cooperative agreements among political subdivisions and local government tax levy consolidation and limits</p> <p>SCR 4015 (1995-96) - The property tax assessment system of the state, with emphasis on the potential benefits to the system from improved technology and sharing of resources (Taxation Committee)</p>

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4013	Study the property tax exemption for public housing authorities	<p data-bbox="1312 240 1388 261" style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p data-bbox="716 269 1988 321">The tax exemption for property of public housing authorities is based on federal law and state statutory and constitutional authority.</p> <p data-bbox="1247 350 1455 371" style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p data-bbox="716 380 1709 401">HCR 3044 (1997-98) - Impact of tax-exempt property on school districts (Taxation Committee)</p> <p data-bbox="716 423 1988 475">SCR 4015 (1995-96) - The property tax assessment system of the state, with emphasis on the potential benefits to the system from improved technology and sharing of resources (Taxation Committee)</p> <p data-bbox="716 498 1988 547">SCR 4016 (1995-96) - Tax preferences, with emphasis on property tax preferences that may be granted by political subdivisions or that were created as economic development incentives (Taxation Committee)</p>

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4021	Study the income tax laws, with emphasis on adjustments necessary to minimize or negate the impact to any taxpayer of establishing a single, uniform income tax return for all individuals	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 57-38-30.3 - Provides for filing Form ND-1 for individual income tax purposes and NDCC Section 57-38-29 provides for filing Form ND-2 for individual income tax purposes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2032 - Provides marriage penalty relief and a homestead income tax credit and commercial property tax credit</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>2003-04 additional study assignment - Corporate and personal income taxes (Taxation Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3052 (1993-94) - Imposition of state income taxes for individuals, estates, and trusts, resulted in introduction of legislation to eliminate the long-form individual income tax return, which failed to pass (Taxation Committee)</p>

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3057	Study the corporate and individual income tax laws to determine the feasibility and desirability of providing income tax benefits for employers to encourage expansion of employment opportunities in the state	<p style="text-align: center;">2007 LEGISLATION</p> <p>HB 1027 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have provided various economic development tax credits, projects, and incentives. Many of the provisions of the bill were added to other legislation enacted in 2007, most notably HB 1018.</p> <p>HB 1137 - Establishes the North Dakota American Indian Business Development Office, Women's Business Development Office, and International Business and Trade Office within the Department of Commerce</p> <p>HB 1141 - Failed to pass the House; would have provided individual and corporate income tax deductions for small businesses</p> <p>HB 1403 - Provides individual and corporate income tax credits for microbusinesses</p> <p>HB 1385 - Failed to pass the House; would have listed skills to be developed under the Workforce 20/20 training program</p> <p>HB 1454 - Contingent increase in minimum wage</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2032 § 17 (2005-06) - The state's business climate through a business climate initiative, including receipt of agency reports regarding economic development legislation introduced by the Legislative Council during previous legislative sessions, participation in business climate focus groups across the state, and participation in a Business Congress held before June 1, 2006, and a Business Congress held before June 1, 2008. This business climate initiative was a continuation of the efforts of the 2003-04 Economic Development Committee under 2003 HB 1504 § 1 (Economic Development Committee)</p> <p>HB 1504 § 1 (2003-04) - The state's business climate, including the creation of an index of key objective measurements that address the state's competitiveness with other states; the consideration of methods of creating business partnerships with North Dakota Indian tribes in order to increase primary sector business growth in the state, with a focus on business opportunities that may be available to North Dakota Indian tribes through the United States Small Business Administration 8(a) business development program; and active participation in the activities of the primary sector Business Congress (Economic Development Committee)</p> <p>SB 2019 § 16 (2001-02) - Availability of venture capital, tax credits, and other financing and research and development programs for new or expanding businesses, including an inventory of the programs available, a review of the difference between public and private venture capital programs, and assessment of the needs of business and industry and the research and development efforts of the North Dakota University System, and to review the investments of the State Investment Board and the feasibility and desirability of investing a portion of these funds in North Dakota (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SB 2019 § 17 (2001-02) - The feasibility and desirability of expanding North Dakota's economic development marketing efforts to include international markets and establishing a Global Marketing Division within the Department of Commerce (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SB 2020 § 4 (2001-02) - Workforce training and development programs in North Dakota, including efforts to recruit and retain North Dakota's workforce, underemployment and skills shortages, current workforce training efforts, and the involvement of the New Economy Initiative goals and strategies; and Work Force 2000 and new jobs training programs and other workforce training and development programs administered by agencies of the state of North Dakota, and the feasibility and desirability of consolidating in a single agency the funding and administration of those programs (Commerce Committee)</p>

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2109 § 3	(Required Study) Study the state's long-term care system, including capacity, geographical boundaries for determining capacity, the need for home and community-based services, a methodology to identify areas of the state which are in need of additional skilled nursing facility beds, access, workforce, reimbursement, and payment incentives	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1404 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have created a committee on medical assistance which would have hired consultant services to study the state's medical assistance program, including options for benefit, management, and reimbursement reform and to undertake an actuarially based analysis of the medical assistance program and reform options to ensure the future long-term sustainability of the program</p> <p>HCR 3022 - Provides for a study of the availability and future need for dementia-related services, as well as funding for programs for individuals with dementias</p> <p>SB 2012 § 8 - Provides for a study of the feasibility and desirability of continuing the equalization of nursing home payment rates and the feasibility and desirability of establishing a provider tax or assessment on nursing homes</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1247 - Authorizes a tax credit for premiums for long-term care insurance</p> <p>SB 2068 - Limits the establishment of a geropsychiatric unit within a nursing home. The bill provides that only two nursing homes within the state may have a unit that exclusively provides geropsychiatric services and no more than one geropsychiatric unit may be located in any one nursing home.</p> <p>SB 2070 - Directs the Department of Human Services to seek federal funds for the planning and implementation of an aging and disability resource center for the state</p> <p>SB 2109 §§ 1 and 2 - Extends the moratorium on basic care and long-term care bed capacity</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1459 § 5 (2005-06) - The Medicaid medical reimbursement system, including costs of providing services, fee schedules, parity among provider groups, and access (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>SCR 4027 (2005-06) - The need for dementia-related services, standards, and practices for caregivers and review the legal and medical definitions used for dementia-related conditions and the funding for programs and services for individuals with dementias (Judicial Process Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4030 (2005) - The delivery of long-term care services in North Dakota with primary emphasis on the individual's preferred method of care, patient safety, quality of care, potential duplication of service, and the direction of state assistance (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1004 § 14 (2003-04) - The nursing home survey process, including a review of federal, state, and local agency procedures and requirements that result in additional costs, duplicated procedures, and added regulations for nursing homes and the potential for mitigating the impact of new mandated federal rules through additional collaboration between the State Department of Health and the Department of Human Services and the submission of waiver requests (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2012 § 17 (2003) - North Dakota's long-term care continuum of services, including service delivery methods and payment systems, including the cost-effectiveness of the programs and the appropriateness of rate structures and the nursing home equalized rate policy (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1196 § 29 (2001-02) - The long-term care needs and the nursing facility payment system in North Dakota (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p>

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2012 § 8	Study the feasibility and desirability of continuing the equalization of nursing home payment rates and the feasibility and desirability of establishing a provider tax or assessment on nursing homes, including input from representatives of the Department of Human Services, other appropriate state agencies, and the nursing home industry	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1467 - Failed to pass the House; would have imposed a nursing facility tax or assessment on each nursing facility in the state</p> <p>HCR 3022 - Provides for a study of the availability and future need for dementia-related services, as well as funding for programs for individuals with dementias</p> <p>SB 2109 § 3 - Provides for a study of the state's long-term care system, including capacity, geographical boundaries for determining capacity, the need for home and community-based services, a methodology to identify areas of the state which are in need of additional skilled nursing facility beds, access workforce, reimbursement, and payment incentives</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1247 - Authorizes a tax credit for premiums for long-term care insurance</p> <p>HB 1404 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have created a committee on medical assistance which would have hired consultant services to study the state's medical assistance program</p> <p>SB 2068 - Limits the establishment of a geropsychiatric unit within a nursing home. The bill provides that only two nursing homes within the state may have a unit that exclusively provides geropsychiatric services and no more than one geropsychiatric unit may be located in any one nursing home.</p> <p>SB 2070 - Directs the Department of Human Services to seek federal funds for the planning and implementation of an aging and disability resource center for the state</p> <p>SB 2109 §§ 1 and 2 - Extends the moratorium on basic care and long-term care bed capacity</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1459 § 5 (2005-06) - Medicaid medical reimbursement system, including costs of providing services, fee schedules, parity among provider groups, and access (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>HB 1004 § 14 (2003-04) - The nursing home survey process, including a review of federal, state, and local agency procedures and requirements that result in additional costs, duplicated procedures, and added regulations for nursing homes and the potential for mitigating the impact of new mandated federal rules through additional collaboration between the State Department of Health and the Department of Human Services and the submission of waiver requests (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2012 § 17 (2003) - North Dakota's long-term care continuum of services, including service delivery methods and payment systems, including the cost-effectiveness of the programs and the appropriateness of rate structures and the nursing home equalized rate policy (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1196 § 29 (2001-02) - The long-term care needs and the nursing facility payment system in North Dakota (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>SCR 4004 (1999-2000) - The possibility of creating an incentive package to assist rural communities and nursing facilities in closing or significantly reducing bed capacity and providing alternative long-term care services (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>HB 1012 § 32 (1997-98) - Basic care rate equalization (Budget Committee on Long-Term Care)</p>

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3022	Study the availability and future need for dementia-related services, as well as funding for programs for individuals with dementias	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SCR 4025 - Provides for a study of the feasibility and desirability of developing and funding a program to provide service to youth in foster care who are preparing to transition to adulthood and for youth between ages 18 and 21 who have left foster care and need assistance</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1247 - Authorizes a tax credit for premiums for long-term care insurance</p> <p>SB 2068 - Limits the establishment of a geropsychiatric unit within a nursing home. The bill provides that only two nursing homes within the state may have a unit that exclusively provides geropsychiatric services and no more than one geropsychiatric unit may be located in any one nursing home.</p> <p>SB 2070 - Directs the Department of Human Services to seek federal funds for the planning and implementation of an aging and disability resource center for the state</p> <p>SB 2109 §§ 1 and 2 - Extends the moratorium on basic care and long-term care bed capacity</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SCR 4027 (2005-06) - The need for dementia-related services, standards, and practices for caregivers and review the legal and medical definitions used for dementia-related conditions and the funding for programs and services for individuals with dementias (Judicial Process Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4030 (2005) - The delivery of long-term care services in North Dakota with primary emphasis on the individual's preferred method of care, patient safety, quality of care, potential duplication of service, and the direction of state assistance (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1004 § 14 (2003-04) - The nursing home survey process, including a review of federal, state, and local agency procedures and requirements that result in additional costs, duplicated procedures, and added regulations for nursing homes and the potential for mitigating the impact of new mandated federal rules through additional collaboration between the State Department of Health and the Department of Human Services and the submission of waiver requests (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2012 § 17 (2003) - North Dakota's long-term care continuum of services, including service delivery methods and payment systems, including the cost-effectiveness of the programs and the appropriateness of rate structures and the nursing home equalized rate policy (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3003 (1997-98) - Monitor the implementation of the projects developed by the Department of Human Services related to the conversion of existing nursing facility or basic care capacity for use by Alzheimer's and related dementia population and the testing of an expanded case management system for elderly persons and disabled persons (Budget Committee on Long-Term Care)</p> <p>HCR 3004 (1997-98) - The means of expanding home and community-based service availability (Budget Committee on Long-Term Care)</p> <p>HCR 3006 (1997-98) - Long-term care financing issues to determine the changes necessary to develop alternative services and the feasibility of a managed care system for long-term care services (Budget Committee on Long-Term Care)</p>

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4005	Study the feasibility and desirability of establishing a transition to independence program for young adults with mental illness	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SCR 4025 - Provides for a study of the feasibility and desirability of developing and funding a program to provide service to youth in foster care who are preparing to transition to adulthood and for youth between ages 18 and 21 who have left foster care and need assistance</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1390 - Requires the Department of Human Services to provide liability coverage for acts or omissions of foster children placed in the care of foster families</p> <p>SB 2066 - Removes the expiration date on the moratorium on the expansion of residential child care facility or group home bed capacity</p> <p>SCR 4008 - Provides for a study of the issues affecting the delivery of child welfare services in the state, includes a study of out-of-home placement determinations</p> <p>SCR 4032 - Directs a study of ways in which schools and school districts can better identify high-risk students and provide programs designed to reduce the incidences of high-risk behaviors that can lead to suicide attempts</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3054 (2005-06) - State programs providing services to children with special health care needs to determine whether the programs are effective in meeting these special health care needs, whether there are gaps in the state's system for providing services to children with special health care needs, and whether there are significant unmet special health care needs of children which should be addressed (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>SB 2012 § 15 (2003) - Programs providing services to children with special health care needs in North Dakota and service needs of these children which are not available under current programs (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2012 § 22 (1999-2000) - Residential treatment centers and residential child care facilities (Budget Committee on Institutional Services)</p> <p>SCR 4001 (1997-98) - Monitor mental health and foster care services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>SCR 4058 (1995-96) - Feasibility and desirability of providing out-of-home mental health services to severely emotionally disabled children without requiring the relinquishment of custody by parents (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>HCR 3057 (1993-94) - The problems and resources available to meet the needs of North Dakota youth ages 17 through 21 who are released from the state foster care or court system (Budget Committee on Youth Services)</p>

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2139 § 1	(Required Study) Study the provisions of the North Dakota Century Code which relate to agriculture for the purpose of eliminating provisions that are irrelevant or duplicative, clarifying provisions that are inconsistent or unclear in their intent and direction, and rearranging provisions in a logical order	<p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> SCR 4016 (2003-04) - Study those provisions of NDCC Title 4 which relate to the powers and duties of the State Seed Commissioner and the State Seed Department

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3034	Study the feasibility and desirability of addressing the current imbalance in the funding and governance of the State Potato Council and of eliminating refunds from the potato assessment law	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1086 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have repealed potato growers' right to a refund of their checkoff dollars</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2117 - Provides for fair practices in potato production contracting</p>

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3061	Study the financial and environmental impact of confined animal feeding operations on individual property owners and local communities and develop clear, concise, and consistent laws governing the siting and regulation of confined animal feeding operations	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1420 - Provides clarification of the laws relating to confined animal feeding operation zoning by counties and townships</p> <p>HB 1051 - Provides for the awarding of attorney's fees for frivolous claims in appeals or enforcement actions regarding certain confined animal feeding operation permits</p> <p>SB 2278 - Requires the development of an electronically accessible central repository and requires filing of all county and township zoning regulations regarding concentrated animal feeding operations</p> <p>SB 2331 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have limited county and township zoning regulations to the nature, scope, and location of confined animal feeding operations; all other aspects would have been within the purview of the State Department of Health</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3023 (2001) - Use of easements to protect agricultural and other lands in North Dakota (Not given priority)</p>

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2016 § 8	Study the Department of Emergency Services, including the Division of Homeland Security and the Division of State Radio, including a review of the allocation of federal homeland security funding, the operation of State Radio, and potential changes to the 911 fee structure to continue salary equity funding provided in the 2007-09 biennium	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2016 - Provides funding authority for salary equity</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>During the 2005-06 interim, the Budget Committee on Government Services received a report from the Department of Emergency Services on the status of the reorganization of the division into the Department of Emergency Services.</p> <p>During the 2001-02 interim, the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations received a report from the director of the Division of Emergency Management regarding homeland security.</p> <p>During the 1999-2000 interim, the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations received reports regarding disaster relief programs.</p> <p>HCR 3053 (2003-04) - The state's emergency management system, the impact of federal emergency reorganization on the state's emergency operations plan, and the emergency management preparedness of state agencies and local governments (Emergency Services Committee)</p> <p>SB 2004 § 27 (1997-98) - Emergency medical services (Insurance and Health Care Committee)</p>

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3063	Study the delivery and funding of veterans' services by the state and counties	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2353 - Clarifies the veterans' preference in employment and requires backpay for the time an individual was entitled to employment to the time the individual was employed as the result of a preference hearing</p> <p>SB 2142 - Allows up to \$5,000 to be the total amount of loans from the veterans' aid fund, instead of the maximum for one loan</p> <p>HB 1291 - Increases the death benefit for a veteran who died in active service from \$2,500 to \$5,000</p> <p>SB 2418 - Appropriates money for building a new Veterans Home</p> <p>SB 2263 - Changes the annual \$5 fee for the highway tax distribution fund to an initial fee of \$15 with \$10 deposited in the highway tax distribution fund and \$5 distributed in the Veterans Cemetery maintenance fund. The bill changed the investment duties of the Veterans Cemetery trust fund from the State Investment Board to the State Treasurer in the same manner as the State Investment Board.</p> <p>HB 1398 - Increases the weight allowed for a motor vehicle of a disabled veteran which is not subject to registration fees from not more than 10,000 pounds to not more than 26,000 pounds</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3016 (2005) - Delivery of veterans' services by the state and counties (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2007 § 3 (2001-02) - The management structure and oversight of the Veterans Home and the selection process for the commandant or administrator of the Veterans Home (Budget Committee on Government Administration)</p> <p>SCR 4048 (1993-94) - Long-term care needs of veterans and the use of state and other existing facilities for long-term care for veterans in North Dakota (Budget Committee on Home and Community Care)</p>

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2152 § 3	Study the historic and anticipated uses of funds from the community health trust fund, including a cost-benefit evaluation of past expenditures from the fund, the feasibility and desirability of establishing a strategic plan for future use of the fund, and the sustainability of the fund	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 54-27-25 - Provides for a tobacco settlement trust fund and specifies the use of the funds, including transfers to the community health trust fund</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1004 - Provides for a \$7,248,397 appropriation from the community health trust fund to the State Department of Health for the purpose of funding several department programs</p> <p>SB 2012 - Provides for a \$213,904 appropriation from the community health trust fund to the Department of Human Services for the purpose of funding breast and cervical cancer assistance</p> <p>SB 2152 § 4 - Provides a \$60,000 appropriation from the community health trust fund to the State Department of Health for the purpose of funding the dentists' new practice grant program</p> <p>SB 2276 § 2 - Provides a \$100,000 appropriation from the community health trust fund to the Governor for the purpose of funding the Governor's Prevention and Advisory Council</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2004 § 22 - Whether to change guidelines for funding programs as a result of additional tobacco settlement collections that are anticipated to be received and deposited in the community health trust fund from 2008 through 2017 (Not given priority)</p>

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1004 § 8	Study the emergency medical services system within the state, including the funding, demographics, and impact on rural areas	<p style="text-align: center;">2007 LEGISLATION</p> <p>HB 1112 - Failed to pass the House; would have appropriated \$600,000 for the purpose of providing to emergency response entities that use volunteers grants of matching funds to reimburse insurance costs for physical ailments or injuries occurring during the provision of emergency services</p> <p>HB 1296 - Requires the State Department of Health to establish and update regularly a strategic plan for an integrated emergency medical services program in the state and requires the department to seek to contract with a third party for an assessment of the state's emergency medical services system and report the findings to the Legislative Council no later than July 1, 2008. The bill also provides funds for making payments of insurance premiums tax collections to emergency medical services and for funding the assessment of the emergency medical services system.</p> <p>HB 1162 - Requires the State Health Council to study during the 2007-08 interim the minimum requirements of reasonable emergency medical services coverage and report the outcome and recommendations to the Legislative Council</p> <p>HB 1161 - Revises numerous regulations relating to emergency medical services operations and emergency medical services personnel</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>During the 2005-06 interim, the Electric Industry Competition Committee received reports regarding the operation of the emergency 911 telephone system standards and guidelines and received a report from the Public Safety Answering Point System Coordinating Committee regarding city and county fees on telephone exchange access service and wireless service.</p> <p>HCR 3046 (1999-2000) - The challenges facing the delivery of health care in this state, including the concerns relating to reimbursement of hospitals for medical services, technological innovation, and possible regionalization of services (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2004 § 27 (1997-98) - Emergency medical services (Insurance and Health Care Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3008 (1997) - The emergency medical services system to ensure the continued viability of this state's rural emergency medical services (Not given priority)</p>

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2013 § 14	Study the provision of services to children and adults who are deaf or hearing-impaired, including the role of the North Dakota School for the Deaf in the provision of educational and rehabilitative services, the short-term and long-term viability of existing state facilities, and alternative approaches that might enhance the scope and breadth of service availability; the feasibility of combining the administration and delivery of services of the School for the Deaf with other area school districts, educational associations governed by joint powers agreements, special education units, and North Dakota Vision Services - School for the Blind; and examination of alternative uses for the buildings on the School for the Deaf campus beyond the scope of the school's present mission	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2013 § 15 - Directs the School for the Deaf to collaborate with Lake Region State College on the college's wind energy project, determine the feasibility of accessing any available energy, and report on the status of this collaboration to the Appropriations Committees of the 61st Legislative Assembly</p> <p>SB 2173 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required the Superintendent of Public Instruction to develop a plan under which the North Dakota Vision Services - School for the Blind and the School for the Deaf would be merged and located on the premises of the School for the Deaf in Devils Lake</p> <p>HB 1459 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have appropriated \$150,000 to the School for the Deaf, among other institutions, for extraordinary repairs</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1013 § 15 (2005) - The potential for cooperative field service delivery between the North Dakota Vision Services - School for the Blind and the School for the Deaf (Not given priority)</p>

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2186 § 3	Study the temporary assistance for needy families program administered by the Department of Human Services, including review of the sustainability of current services and programs being funded by temporary assistance for needy families funds, review of the potential programs and services that could be funded by use of temporary assistance for needy families funds, and review of the need for increased assistance to recipients of temporary assistance for needy families who are attending a postsecondary institution of learning	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2186 §§ 1 and 2 - Directs the Department of Human Services to establish a program of transition assistance to pay a portion of the cost of child care for families that lose eligibility, and remain ineligible, for benefits due to earnings from employment and authorize the department to establish a statewide system to build systematic early childhood workforce voluntary training</p> <p>SB 2186 § 4 - Study the state's child care resource and referral system, including consideration of the purposes and goals of the system and whether the current system is furthering these purposes and goals, and consideration of the most appropriate funding source of the system</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2007 LEGISLATION</p> <p>SB 2312 - Removes the expiration date on the alternatives-to-abortion services program and provides for the use of temporary assistance for needy families funds to be disbursed to entities that provide alternatives-to-abortion services</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2395 § 4 (2005) - Issues relating to Medicaid and other public funding for the extraordinary health care needs of children who live in an institution or who are at risk of institutionalization; whether there are gaps in the state's system for providing services to children with special health care needs; and whether there are significant unmet special health care needs of children which should be addressed (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1441 § 3 (2001-02) - The coordination of the medical assistance and the children's health insurance programs, including the development of a single application form for both programs, whether the children's health insurance program should be administered by the state or the counties, the effects of eliminating the asset eligibility requirement for the medical assistance program, and the standardization of the definition of "income" for all programs administered by the Department of Human Services (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>HB 1012 (1997-98) - The state's welfare reform implementation efforts to determine the effectiveness of welfare reform (Welfare Reform Committee)</p> <p>HB 1226 (1997-98) - The temporary assistance for needy families program (Welfare Reform Committee)</p> <p>HB 1041 § 14 (1997-98) - The provision of child support services and child care licensing in this state (Child Support Committee)</p>

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2205 § 18	<p>Study the success and effects of the laws enacted by the 55th Legislative Assembly in House Bill No. 1041 (1997) and Senate Bill No. 2052 (1997), the "swap proposal," which required counties to pay the entire cost of the local administration of Medicaid, energy assistance, basic care assistance, child care assistance, and temporary assistance for needy families in exchange for the state's assumption of the full responsibility for paying the grant costs associated with those programs, including a review of NDCC Sections 50-01.2-00.1, 50-01.2-03.1, 50-01.2-03.2, 50-01.2-06, 50-03-00.1, 50-03-08, 50-03-09, 50-03-10, 50-06-05.1(28), 50-06-20, 50-24.1-14, and 50-24.5-08 to determine if those provisions have created a more understandable and sustainable division of responsibility between the state and counties in the delivery and financing of these economic assistance programs</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2012 § 14 (2003-04) - Administrative costs of human service programs, including costs incurred by the central office of the Department of Human Services, human service centers, and county social services, and review the effects of the 1997 "swap" legislation on state and county human service program costs (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>SCR 4001 (2003-04) - Delivery of services and the cost versus benefit of those services provided by the eight human service centers, the possibility of combining service centers, the administrative costs of the centers related to the programs and clients served, and third-party reimbursement and competition with private providers (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>HCR 3032 (1997-98) - Responsibilities of county social services as they are distinguished from the responsibilities of regional human service centers and the Department of Human Services when providing services to children and their families and persons with disabilities, including the elderly (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p>

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3041	Study the trends and correlations of property tax revenue in relation to funding human service delivery in individual counties	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HCR 3041 - The text of the resolution states that six counties have a substantial human service caseload for the needs of people residing on an Indian reservation or tribal trust lands and these counties have the lowest capacity to generate property tax revenue to meet human service needs</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1207 - Failed to pass the House; eligibility for state financial assistance not affected by the status of land as Indian land</p> <p>SB 2402 - Extends for two years the Tribal and State Relations Committee</p> <p>SB 2032 - Study the feasibility and desirability of property tax reform and providing property tax relief to taxpayers, including examination of the variability of funding resources among taxing districts</p> <p>SB 2205 - Transfers of child support enforcement from counties to the state</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1524 (2005-06) - Tribal and State Relations Committee study of tribal-state issues, including government-to-government relations, the delivery of services, case management services, child support enforcement, and issues related to the promotion of economic development (Tribal and State Relations Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3003 (2003) - State and local funding obligations for social services, including child support enforcement services (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4029 (2003) - Issues relating to the Indian population of the state, including sovereignty, educational opportunities, population disbursement, unemployment, health concerns, suicide rates, living conditions, and impact on the caseloads of the Department of Human Services and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1012 § 17 (2001-02) - Feasibility and desirability of state administration of child support, including the fiscal effect on counties and the state (Family Law Committee)</p> <p>SB 2114 § 3 (1999-2000) - Require the Department of Human Services to report periodically to the Legislative Council on the progress of any negotiation with any tribal government to establish a pilot project for administration of a tribal family assistance grant from the United States Department of Health and Human Services (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>HCR 3002 (1999) - American Indian long-term care and case management needs, access to appropriate services, and the functional relationship between state service units and the North Dakota American Indian reservation service systems (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2061 (1999) - Taxes imposed by state and local governments and the tax structure and balance among the various tax systems to provide a more equitable distribution of tax burdens (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3037 (1997-98) - The feasibility and desirability of providing property tax relief through alternative state and local revenue sources (Taxation Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3005 (1997-98) - American Indian long-term care needs and access to appropriate services and the functional relationship between state service units and the American Indian reservation service systems (Budget Committee on Long-Term Care)</p>

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2012 § 9	Study infant development programs, including a review of the state's lead agency agreement, service coordination, staffing, and funding structure, including the adequacy of the funding and the equitable distribution of the funds to providers	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 54-56-03 - Budget Section approval of grants, not otherwise specifically approved by the Legislative Assembly, distributed by the Children's Services Coordinating Committee to children's services organizations and programs</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2004 § 21 (2005-06) - The state's public health unit infrastructure and the ability of the public health units to respond to public health issues, including an assessment of the efficiency of operations, given the personnel and financial resources available; the effectiveness of services, given the lines of governmental authority of the current infrastructure; and the efficiency of the food and lodging investigation services provided by the State Department of Health and the public health units, and to develop a plan maximizing efficiencies through a coordinated system and fee structure (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>HCR 3054 (2005-06) - State programs providing services to children with special health care needs to determine whether the programs are effective in meeting these special health care needs, whether there are gaps in the state's system for providing services to children with special health care needs, and whether there are significant unmet special health care needs of children which should be addressed (Budget Committee on Human Services)</p> <p>SB 2395 § 4 (2005) - Issues relating to Medicaid and other public funding for the extraordinary health care needs of children who live in an institution or who are at risk of institutionalization; the Comprehensive Health Association of North Dakota program provided for under NDCC Chapter 26.1-08, including contracting for a cost-benefit analysis of this program; and the state programs providing services to children with special health care needs to determine whether the programs are effective in meeting these special health care needs, whether there are gaps in the state's system for providing services to children with special health care needs, and whether there are significant unmet special health care needs of children which should be addressed (Not given priority)</p>

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2186 § 4	Study the state's child care resource and referral system, including consideration of the purposes and goals of the system and whether the current system is furthering these purposes and goals and consideration of the most appropriate funding source of the system	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2186 §§ 1 and 2 - Direct the Department of Human Services to establish a program of transition assistance to pay a portion of the cost of child care for families that lose eligibility, and remain ineligible, for benefits due to earnings from employment and authorize the department to establish a statewide system to build systematic early childhood workforce voluntary training</p> <p>SB 2186 § 3 - Study the temporary assistance for needy families program, including a review of the sustainability of current services and programs being funded by temporary assistance for needy families funds; a review of the potential programs and services that could be funded by use of temporary assistance for needy families funds; and a review of the need for increased assistance to recipients of temporary assistance for needy families who are attending a postsecondary institution of learning</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SCR 4033 (2005) - Whether enhancing the quality of child care and increasing access to affordable child care would favorably impact economic development in the state (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3068 (2001) - The feasibility and desirability of creating a tiered early childhood facility licensure system that requires licensure of facilities not required to be licensed under the current system (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2012 § 22 (1999-2000) - Residential treatment centers and residential child care facilities, including occupancy rates, the number of out-of-state residents, and the need for additional facilities (Budget Committee on Institutional Services)</p> <p>HB 1041 § 14 (1997-98) - The provision of child support services and child care licensing in this state (Child Support Committee)</p>

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4008	Study issues affecting the delivery of child welfare services in the state, including out-of-home placement determinations; emphasis on family counseling, including in-home counseling; staffing patterns in county social services offices; supervision standards for child welfare staff; funding from private, state, and federal sources; and the viability of joint powers agreements among counties and the nature of public and private partnerships in support of effective child welfare services	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SCR 4025 - Study the feasibility and desirability of developing and funding a program to provide service to youth in foster care who are preparing to transition to adulthood and for youth between ages 18 and 21 who have left foster care and need assistance</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1463 - Expands the eligibility for medical assistance for children to individuals from birth through age 18 and expands the income level for eligibility for the children's health insurance program to 150 percent of the poverty line</p> <p>SB 2066 - Removes the expiration date on the moratorium on the expansion of residential child care facility or group home bed capacity</p> <p>SB 2326 - Directs the Department of Human Services to establish and implement a buyin program under the federal Family Opportunity Act to provide medical assistance and other health coverage options to families of children with disabilities and whose net income does not exceed 200 percent of the federal poverty line</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2012 § 15 (2003) - Programs providing services to children with special health care needs in North Dakota and service needs of these children which are not available under current programs (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1441 § 3 (2001-02) - The coordination of the medical assistance and the children's health insurance programs (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2012 § 22 (1999-2000) - Residential treatment centers and residential child care facilities (Budget Committee on Institutional Services)</p> <p>HB 1012 (1997-98) - The state's welfare reform implementation efforts to determine the effectiveness of welfare reform (Welfare Reform Committee)</p>

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4025	Study the feasibility and desirability of developing and funding a program to provide services to youth in foster care who are preparing to transition to adulthood and for youth between 18 and 21 years of age who have left foster care and need assistance	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SCR 4008 - Study the issues affecting the delivery of child welfare services in the state, including a study of out-of-home placement determinations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1390 - Requires the Department of Human Services to provide liability coverage for acts or omissions of foster children placed in the care of foster families</p> <p>SB 2066 - Removes the expiration date on the moratorium on the expansion of residential child care facility or group home bed capacity</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2012 § 22 (1999-2000) - Residential treatment centers and residential child care facilities (Budget Committee on Institutional Services)</p> <p>SCR 4001 (1997-98) - Monitor mental health and foster care services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>HCR 3057 (1993-94) - The problems and resources available to meet the needs of North Dakota youth ages 17 through 21 who are released from the state foster care or court system (Budget Committee on Youth Services)</p>

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3046	Study ways in which various public and private entities can cooperate with families to promote healthy lifestyles for children and create awareness about the interplay of healthy lifestyle choices and educational success	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 19-03.1-44 - Requires the Attorney General to report annually the current status and trends of unlawful drug use and abuse, and drug control and enforcement efforts in this state. The report must include the State Department of Health's most recent survey of the state's young people regarding drug usage, accessibility of gateway and other illicit drugs, the prevalence of gateway and other illicit drugs in schools or on school property, and the types and frequency of gateway and other illicit drugs used by young people.</p> <p>HCR 3062 - Directs the Legislative Council to study solutions to the problem of underage drinking</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1451 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required all school vending contracts to meet or exceed the 2006 school beverage criteria established by the Alliance for a Healthier Generation</p> <p>SB 2354 - Provides that once every four years, the required one-half unit of physical education must be a concept-based fitness class that includes the assessment, improvement, and maintenance of personal fitness</p> <p>SB 2385 - Failed to pass the House; would have appropriated \$1 million for school nursing services</p> <p>HB 1136 - Adds pneumococcal disease, meningococcal disease, rotovirus, and Hepatitis A to the list of required childhood vaccines</p> <p>HB 1435 - Directs the State Health Officer to appoint an immunization task force and charges it with establishing a protocol on transitioning from a universal select immunization program to a provider choice immunization program</p> <p>HB 1004 § 6 - Authorizes the State Department of Health to establish an immunization information system and requires that childhood immunizations be reported to the department</p> <p>HB 1410 - Failed to pass the House; would have limited the amount of nicotine in cigarettes sold in this state</p> <p>SB 2164 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have further restricted smoking in public places and required the posting of signs indicating that smoking is prohibited</p> <p>HB 1154 - Regulates tanning facilities</p> <p>SB 2352 - Makes it a Class B misdemeanor for a person, other than a licensed health care professional acting within that professional's scope of practice to tattoo, brand, subdermally implant, scarify, or pierce an individual who is under 18 years of age unless the tattooing, branding, subdermal implanting, scarifying, or piercing takes place in the presence of and with the written consent of the individual's parent or legal guardian</p> <p>HB 1434 - Directs the State Department of Health to establish and administer a viral hepatitis program with the goal of distributing to certain residents information regarding Hepatitis C exposure and infection</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2380 § 6 (2001-02) - Programs dealing with the prevention and treatment of alcohol, tobacco, and drug abuse and other kinds of risk-associated behavior which are operated by various state agencies, including the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Attorney General, the State Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Public Instruction, the Department of Transportation, the National Guard, and the Supreme Court, and whether better coordination among the programs within those agencies may lead to a more effective and cost-efficient way of operating the programs and providing services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p>

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3062	Study solutions to the problem of underage drinking	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2276 - Creates the Governor's Prevention and Advisory Council to provide grants to discourage impaired driving and alcohol and drug abuse by minors and appropriates \$100,000 for these purposes</p> <p>SB 2329 - Requires a court to sentence a minor that unlawfully entered an alcohol establishment to alcohol and drug education</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2372 § 1 (2005-06) - The feasibility and desirability of establishing an organization or ombudsman to support and coordinate federal, tribal, state, including institutions of higher education, and local government and private efforts to discourage destructive behavior, including alcohol and drug abuse and tobacco use (Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations)</p> <p>SB 2380 § 6 (2001-02) - Programs that deal with the prevention and treatment of alcohol, tobacco, and drug abuse and other kinds of risk-associated behavior which are operated by various state agencies, including the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Attorney General, the State Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Public Instruction, the Department of Transportation, the National Guard, and the Supreme Court, and whether better coordination among the programs within those agencies may lead to a more effective and cost-efficient way of operating the programs and providing services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p> <p>HB 1004 (1999-2000) - The State Department of Health's comprehensive plan for a community health grant program (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2016 (1997-98) - Programs to prevent crime and delinquency and reduce incarceration (Criminal Justice Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4053 (1997-98) - The prevention of and dispositional alternatives to juvenile crime with a focus on services offered to American Indian children (Criminal Justice Committee)</p> <p>HB 1050 (1995-96) - The feasibility and desirability of requiring mental health services and alcohol and drug addiction related services to be included as health insurance-covered services (Insurance and Health Care Committee)</p>

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4028	Study the feasibility and desirability of establishing a paternity registry	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2035 (2003) - Failed to pass the Senate; would have established a paternity registry</p> <p>HCR 3008 - Study the issues of fairness, equity, and the best interests of children as they relate to issues of child custody and visitation</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2064 - Provides that when a motion for a change of child custody is filed during the time a parent is in active duty service, the court may not enter an order modifying or amending a previous judgment or issue a new order that changes the child's placement that existed on the date the parent was called to active duty service</p> <p>SB 2207 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have authorized the Department of Human Services to provide assistance to parents in amicably resolving issues pertaining to custody and support of a child in a way that best serves the interests of the child and promotes a healthy relationship between the child and each parent</p> <p>SB 2366 - Sets forth a procedure for an adoptive parent to obtain a validation of a foreign decree of adoption</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SCR 4014 (2001-02) - The adoption laws of this state and other states (Family Law Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3044 (2001) - The feasibility and desirability of establishing a putative fathers' adoption registry (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3054 (2001) - The impact on domestic relations law of using the term "parental responsibility" in lieu of "custody" and "parenting time" in lieu of "visitation" (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4032 (1999-2000) - The family law process in North Dakota with a focus on a review of existing statutes, the coordination of procedures, and the further implementation of alternative dispute resolution methods (Judiciary Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3031 (1997-98) - Issues of fairness and equity as they relate to child support guidelines and the issuance and enforcement of child custody and visitation orders (Child Support Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3034 (1997) - The impact of divorce on children and issues of equity and fairness as they relate to custody determinations, visitation orders, and child support obligations (Not given priority)</p>

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1003 § 23	Study the means by which the North Dakota University System can further contribute to developing and attracting the human capital to meet North Dakota's economic and workforce needs, including ways to increase postsecondary access, improve the quality of education, contain costs, and other means to maximize the usage of the University System in meeting the human capital needs of the state; including a review of policy recommendations that address the postsecondary delivery system, including the mix of institutions, educational attainment gaps, degree production gaps, recruitment and retention of students, and workforce training needs; and including a review of the impact of the state's changing demographics on the University System's long-term financing plan	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 15-10-14.2 - Requires that the State Board of Higher Education adopt a strategic planning process, develop a strategic plan to define and prioritize University System goals and objectives, provide an annual performance and accountability report regarding performance and progress toward the goals outlined in the University System's strategic plan and accountability measures, and report to the Legislative Assembly during each regular legislative session regarding the status of higher education in this state</p> <p>HB 1003 § 17 - Provides that the report required by NDCC 15-10-14.2 include an executive summary</p> <p>NDCC § 54-60-09 - Directs the Division of Workforce Development to actively monitor local, regional, and national private and public workforce development initiatives</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2249 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have directed that \$250,000 in grants be awarded to Bismarck State College, Lake Region State College, North Dakota State College of Science, and Williston State College for curriculum design and development, relating to critical workforce needs as determined in collaboration with the Department of Commerce</p> <p>SB 2393 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have provided student loan reductions to individuals who have resided in this state since incurring the loan and to individuals who returned to this state within 10 years of having established residency elsewhere</p> <p>HB 1249 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have forgiven a portion of a student loan incurred by an individual who teaches in an area of shortage or in a smaller school district</p> <p>HB 1484 - Failed to pass the House; would have provided a tuition rebate to an individual who completed a career training program at a postsecondary institution in this state, relocated to a rural area of this state, and obtained employment or became self-employed in a field of critical shortage</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1017 § 5 (2003-04) - Study the impact of pending federal legislation that would significantly change the respective federal-state responsibilities and funding for workforce development, workforce training, public labor exchange, and unemployment insurance programs, including appropriate organizational placement within state government for delivery of workforce development, workforce training, public labor exchange, and unemployment insurance programs, including replacement of the Federal Unemployment Tax Act funds currently funding the administration of the unemployment insurance and public labor exchange program (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SB 2020 § 4 (2001-02) - Study workforce training and development programs in North Dakota, including efforts to recruit and retain North Dakota's workforce, underemployment and skills shortages, current workforce training efforts, and the involvement of the New Economy Initiative goals and strategies; and Work Force 2000 and new jobs training programs and other workforce training and development programs administered by agencies of the state of North Dakota, and the feasibility and desirability of consolidating in a single agency the funding and administration of those programs (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SB 2003 § 17 (2001-02) - Study the responsibilities and functions of the College Technical Education Council and the implementation of the workforce training regions, including how the regions are functioning (Higher Education Committee)</p>

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1003 § 24	Study higher education professional student exchange programs, including review of the amount of annual tuition and fees paid by students for health care-related professional education programs; the amount of annual support fees paid by the state for health care-related professional education programs; the number of state-supported slots funded and demand for state-supported slots; the present repayment provisions and loan forgiveness programs to determine cost-effectiveness, equality issues, and development of program enhancements that would aid in the recruitment of professional students to return to the state to practice their chosen profession; and discontinuation of the contracts with the Western Interstate Commission on Higher Education for access to veterinary medicine programs and consideration of negotiating contracts for veterinary medicine with Kansas, Iowa, and Minnesota	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 15-10-28 - Authorizes the State Board of Higher Education to contract with institutions in other states and enter regional education compacts for the teaching of North Dakota students</p> <p>NDCC § 15-10-28.2 - Authorizes the State Board of Higher Education to contract with the University of Nebraska and institutions in other states for veterinary medical education</p> <p>NDCC § 15-10-14.2 - Directs the State Board of Higher Education to adopt a strategic planning process and develop a strategic plan to define and prioritize University System goals and objectives. The board must provide an annual performance and accountability report and must report to the Legislative Assembly during each regular legislative session regarding the status of higher education in this state.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1003 - Appropriates \$2,722,946 for the professional student exchange program. The bill also retroactively removes the requirement that students selected to attend the veterinary medical education program at Kansas State University practice veterinary medicine in this state for at least three years upon graduation, or repay the amount expended by the state on their behalf.</p> <p>HB 1125 - Allows the State Board of Animal Health to select up to three veterinarians annually who will practice in a community and receive loan repayment funds in exchange</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3024 (2003) - The feasibility and desirability of establishing a regional school of veterinary medicine and providing preference for North Dakota resident students who specialize in food animal clinical studies at the out-of-state veterinary schools participating in the professional student exchange program within the North Dakota University System budget (Not given priority)</p>

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1018 § 22	Study the feasibility and desirability of implementing a grant program for North Dakota students who are attending North Dakota institutions of higher education and who have excelled academically, including consideration of desirable eligibility criteria for students under such a grant program, funding options for such a grant program, and a cost-benefit analysis of such a grant program	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2347 - Failed to pass the House; would have created the North Dakota promise grant program under which some or all of a student's university tuition is waived if the student completed a high school curriculum that included at least four units of mathematics at the level of Algebra I and above, at least four units of science, scored at least 23 on the ACT, and enrolled in an institution of higher education in this state</p> <p>SB 2306 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have appropriated \$20 million with which an institution could supplement private donations for merit-based or a needs-based scholarship</p> <p>HB 1487 - Allows interest rates on federally coinsured student loans to be fixed or variable</p> <p>HB 1401 - Failed to pass the House; would have allowed interest rates on federally coinsured student loans to be fixed or variable</p> <p>HB 1518 - Failed to pass the House; would have required the Industrial Commission to annually transfer an amount equal to 75 percent of profits from the Bank of North Dakota's administration of student loan programs to a student scholarship fund and the interest accruing to the fund would have been divided among the institutions for the provision of scholarships to resident students</p> <p>SB 2393 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required a reduction in student loan debt for individuals who have resided in this state since obtaining the loan and for individuals who relocated to this state within 10 years of having established residency in another state</p> <p>HB 1521 - Failed to pass the House; would have prohibited the State Board of Higher Education from increasing tuition beyond the level in effect during the 2007 spring semester</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2003 § 23 (2005-06) - Higher education funding and accountability, including a review of the progress made in implementing the Higher Education Roundtable recommendations relating to the University System meeting the state's expectations and needs, the funding methodology needed to meet these expectations and needs, and the appropriate accountability and reporting system for the University System, and including an independent consultant's evaluation of the roundtable recommendations and goals and objectives of the University System, the long-term financing plan for the University System, and the University System's prioritization of higher education funding (Higher Education Committee)</p> <p>HB 1003 § 24 (2003-04) - Continue the study of higher education, which may include use of the Higher Education Roundtable format to further refine the expectations of the North Dakota University System in meeting the state's needs in the 21st century, the funding methodology needed to meet those expectations and needs, and the accountability system and reporting methodology for the University System (Higher Education Committee)</p> <p>SB 2003 § 18 (2001-02) - State Board of Higher Education's implementation of the performance and accountability measures report required by 2001 SB 2041, including information on education excellence, economic development, student access, student affordability, and financial operations (Higher Education Committee)</p>

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2030 § 12	Study the delivery of services to English language learners, including federal requirements, instructional options, assistance from the private sector, and the short-term and long-term budgetary impacts on the school districts and taxpayers of the state	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2200 - Creates specific weighting factors for English language learners and new immigrant English language learners, and in addition to those payments, increases the 2007-09 contingent payments for English language learners to \$550,000</p> <p>HB 1292 - Failed to pass the House; would have required the teaching of English by means of an English language immersion program</p> <p>SB 2304 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required that each regional education association contract with a coordinator of English language learner services</p>

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2030 § 14	Study federally funded afterschool programs being offered to North Dakota students, including the content of the programs, applicable regulations, targeted students, and the direct and indirect costs and benefits of the programs	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1370 - Failed to pass the House; would have provided \$1 million in grants to afterschool learning programs</p> <p>HB 1230 - Failed to pass the House; would have required supplemental service providers to be licensed teachers</p>

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4032	Study ways in which schools and school districts can train teachers, counselors, and all other school staff to better identify high-risk students and provide programs designed to reduce the incidences of high-risk behaviors that can lead to suicide attempts	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HCR 3062 - Study solutions to the problem of underage drinking</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2385 - Failed to pass the House; would have appropriated \$1 million for school nursing services</p> <p>SB 2252 - Requires that insurance policies contain coverage for injury or illness resulting from suicide, attempted suicide, or self-inflicted injury</p> <p>SB 2276 - Appropriates \$100,000 to the Governor's Prevention and Advisory Council so it can contract with or grant funds to entities within this state that discourage impaired driving and alcohol and drug abuse by minors</p> <p>SCR 4005 - Study the feasibility and desirability of establishing a transition to independence program for young adults with mental illness</p> <p>HCR 3060 - Failed to pass the House; would have directed the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of limiting the amount of nicotine in cigarettes sold in this state</p> <p>HB 1410 - Failed to pass the House; would have limited the amount of nicotine in cigarettes sold in this state</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SCR 4029 (2003) - Issues relating to the Indian population of the state, including sovereignty, educational opportunities, population disbursement, unemployment, health concerns, suicide rates, living conditions, and impact on the caseloads of the Department of Human Services and the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Not given priority)</p> <p>SB 2380 § 6 (2001-02) - Programs dealing with the prevention and treatment of alcohol, tobacco, and drug abuse and other kinds of risk-associated behavior which are operated by various state agencies, including the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, the Attorney General, the State Department of Health, the Department of Human Services, the Department of Public Instruction, the Department of Transportation, the National Guard, and the Supreme Court, and whether better coordination among the programs within those agencies may lead to a more effective and cost-efficient way of operating the programs and providing services (Budget Committee on Government Services)</p>

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2030 § 11	Study the appropriateness and adequacy of high school curricula, with respect to preparing students for higher education and for the workplace, and examine curricular changes implemented in other states and expectations placed on students in other countries	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>The federal No Child Left Behind Act requires each state to establish content and performance standards governing what students are expected to know and be able to do, in specific academic areas, and to assess students annually, in order to determine progress.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2200 § 51 - Statutorily establishes the Governor's Commission on Education Improvement and directs that it develop recommendations addressing, among other things, educational adequacy</p> <p>HB 1194 - Failed to pass the House; would have established basic, standard, and advanced programs of high school instruction, comparable to those of South Dakota</p> <p>SB 2309 - Establishes minimum high school graduation requirements beginning with the 2008-09 school year</p> <p>HB 1076 - Provides that, unlike other schools, the North Dakota Youth Correctional Center does not have to provide its students with two units of fine arts and two units of the same foreign language</p> <p>HB 1491 - Requires that the Superintendent of Public Instruction annually approve electronically delivered courses</p> <p>SB 2354 - Provides that once every four years, the physical education unit must be a concept-based fitness class that includes instruction in the assessment, improvement, and maintenance of personal fitness</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2324 § 1 (2001) - The delivery of a core curriculum to each elementary and high school student in this state and the feasibility and desirability of providing total state funding solely for the delivery of a core curriculum (Not given priority)</p>

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2030 § 13	Study the reauthorization of the No Child Left Behind Act, including the effect of proposed changes on the students, teachers, and school districts of this state, the manner in which state assessments are conducted, the reporting and utilization of assessment results, and the performance of North Dakota students	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2030 § 18 - Repealed NDCC Section 54-35-21, which had created the No Child Left Behind Committee to study the No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, including amendments to the Act, changes to federal regulations implementing the Act, and any policy changes and letters of guidance issued by the United States Secretary of Education</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1434 § 1 (2005-06) - The No Child Left Behind Act of 2001, including amendments to the Act, changes to federal regulations implementing the Act, and any policy changes and letters of guidance issued by the United States Secretary of Education (No Child Left Behind Committee)</p> <p>SB 2418 § 1 (2003-04) - Investigate the adoption of the No Child Left Behind Act, its rationale, the promulgation of any federal regulations implementing the Act, the direct and indirect impact of the Act and its regulations on the school districts of this state, and the financial impact of the Act and its regulations on the budget of this state and on the taxpayers of this state (No Child Left Behind Committee)</p>

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3012	Study the determination of the cost of elementary and secondary education	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 15.1-27-03 - Directs the Superintendent of Public Instruction to determine the cost of education per student and further directs that in doing so, the superintendent may not use:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Capital outlay for buildings. • Capital outlay for sites. • Capital outlay for debt service. • Expenditures for school activities. • Expenditures for school lunch programs. • Expenditures for transportation costs, including schoolbuses. <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2200 - Devises a new funding formula based on the cost of providing services</p> <p>SB 2200 § 51 - Directs the Governor's Commission on Education Improvement to examine the current system of delivering and financing public elementary and secondary education and to develop recommendations addressing educational adequacy, the equitable distribution of state education funds, the allocation of funding responsibility between federal, state, and local sources, and any other matters that could result in the improvement of elementary and secondary education in the state</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1013 § 16 (2005-06) - The state's elementary and secondary education system, including key measurements of student progress, programs that address the state's competitiveness with other states, costs incurred by the state relating to implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act, and the most effective means of using taxpayer dollars at the state and local levels to ensure the best possible education for the children of this state (Education Committee)</p> <p>SB 2421 § 32 (2003-04) - The manner in which elementary and secondary education is funded in this state and the feasibility and desirability of instituting alternative funding methods, including consideration of the amount of local contribution on a per resident basis (Education Finance Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3051 (2001-02) - The delivery of elementary and secondary education during the ensuing 5, 10, and 20 years, with emphasis on a review of the current school district structure, reorganization options, the potential for creating alternate administrative units, and the equitable distribution of state aid to school districts (Education Committee)</p>

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2030 § 15	Study the feasibility and desirability of supporting teacher mentoring programs in urban and rural school districts and the most effective and efficient ways teacher mentoring programs could be implemented and delivered, including consideration of the identification and preparation of mentors and the styles, strategies, and professional development needs that would assist novice teachers in surviving, thriving, and ultimately deciding to consider teaching as a lifelong career	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2030 § 10 - Requires the Superintendent of Public Instruction to take \$45,000 from the \$1 million that regional education associations will receive in contingency funds on June 30, 2007, and provide grants in the amount of \$5,000 to any regional education association that commits to the development and implementation of a teacher mentoring program</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1372 - Failed to pass the House; would have appropriated \$25,000 to the Education Standards and Practices Board for the provision of matching teacher mentoring grants</p>

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2030 § 16	Study the short-term and long-term involvement of regional education associations, including the feasibility and desirability of regional education associations becoming political subdivisions; whether teachers should be employed directly by regional education associations, and whether that employment should include bargaining rights, contract renewal and nonrenewal provisions, participation in the Teachers' Fund for Retirement, and participation in the state's uniform group insurance program; the impact that allowing regional education associations to hire teachers directly would have on the recruitment and retention of teachers currently employed by school districts and on teacher salary levels; whether teacher employment contracts, if offered by regional education associations, would have to parallel those of participating school districts with respect to common school calendars, annual or personal leave provisions, and other contractual benefits; the conduct of evaluations, if teachers are employed directly by regional education associations, including who will conduct the evaluations, their frequency, and the criteria upon which the evaluations are based; the organizational structure of regional education associations, including the qualifications of administrative or supervisory personnel; the governance structure of regional education associations; and state level oversight	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2030 - Creates a new chapter exclusively for the regional education associations; authorizes regional education associations to become special education providers; authorizes regional education associations to receive and expend moneys for administrative functions, student services, and any other lawful activities; and directs that money provided to school districts for their participation in regional education associations may be sent directly to the regional education associations</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2030 § 17 - Directs the Superintendent of Public Instruction to compile an annual report covering the operations of each regional education association and present the report to the Legislative Council. The report must include the services offered and the benefits provided, the impact of regional education associations on course offerings, student achievement, professional development opportunities, and the sharing of personnel, as well as any other benefits or efficiencies.</p> <p>SB 2304 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required that each regional education association contract with a coordinator of English language learner services</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1013 § 16 (2005-06) - The state's elementary and secondary education system (This included an examination of regional education associations, which resulted in the introduction of SB 2030.)</p>

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4030	Study joint powers associations and school district reorganizations, annexations, and dissolutions and the statutory requirements for effectuating each outcome, including the role of county superintendents and county committees; the impact of each on students, parents, teachers, taxpayers, and communities; and the continued relevancy of the processes in light of numerous changes in the educational sector	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2030 § 16 - Study the short-term and long-term evolution of regional education associations, the feasibility and desirability of regional education associations becoming political subdivisions; the direct employment of teachers by regional education associations, including bargaining rights, contract renewal and nonrenewal provisions, participation in the Teachers' Fund for Retirement, and participation in the state's uniform group insurance program; the impact that allowing regional education associations to hire teachers directly would have on the recruitment and retention of teachers currently employed by school districts and on teacher salary levels; whether teacher employment contracts, if offered by regional education associations, would have to parallel those of participating school districts with respect to common school calendars, annual or personal leave provisions, and other contractual benefits; the conduct of teacher evaluations; the organizational and governance structures of regional education associations; and state level oversight.</p> <p>SB 2030 § 17 - Requires that the Superintendent of Public Instruction, at the conclusion of each school year, compile a report covering the operations of each regional education association and present the report to the Legislative Council</p> <p>NDCC Chapter 15.1-12 - Addresses reorganizations, annexations, and dissolutions</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2030 - Recommended by the 2005-06 interim Education Committee, recrafted the law regarding educational associations governed by joint powers agreements (regional education associations)</p> <p>HB 1260 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required a school district that no longer operates at least one approved school to undergo reorganization or dissolution within one year and would have required that property attached in a dissolution approximate the percentage of children that are or will attend the attaching district</p> <p>HB 1277 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have provided that a school district is not eligible to participate in a reorganization if more than 20 percent of its resident students attend school in another district, unless the reorganization includes the districts those students attend</p> <p>HB 1198 - Failed to pass the House; would have precluded the reorganization of elementary districts into a high school district unless the enrollment of the resulting high school district exceeded 360 students</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1013 § 16 (2005-06) - The state's elementary and secondary education system, including key measurements of student progress, programs that address the state's competitiveness with other states, costs incurred by the state relating to implementation of the No Child Left Behind Act, and the most effective means of using taxpayer dollars at the state and local levels to ensure the best possible education for the children of this state (Education Committee)</p> <p>SB 2421 § 32 (2003-04) - The manner in which elementary and secondary education is funded in this state and the feasibility and desirability of instituting alternative funding methods, including consideration of the amount of local contribution on a per resident basis (Education Finance Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3051 (2001-02) - Delivery of elementary and secondary education during the ensuing 5, 10, and 20 years, with emphasis on a review of the current school district structure, reorganization options, the potential for creating alternate administrative units, and the equitable distribution of state aid to school districts (Education Committee)</p>

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1213 § 1	Study the current state exemptions for bankruptcy and the desirability of updating these exemptions	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1213 - As introduced, this bill would have amended the state exemptions available in bankruptcy proceedings</p> <p>The federal bankruptcy law was overhauled by the passage of the federal Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005, which went into effect on October 17, 2005.</p>

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2284 § 2	Study the exemption provisions found in NDCC Chapter 28-22, including determining whether the exemptions in the current form continue to serve the historical purposes of protecting debtors from creditors and providing debtors with the basic necessities of life, so that debtors will not be left destitute and public charges of the state	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2284 § 1 - Increases from \$7,500 to \$15,000 the exemption from process for proceeds of a wrongful death or personal bodily injury recovery to a payment</p> <p>NDCC Chapter 28-22 - Provides exemptions from process for certain property of the debtor</p>

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2217 § 2	Study abstracters, title opinions, and title insurance, including a review of the orderly and efficient transfer of real property which provides adequate assurances of title	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>SB 2217 § 1 - Increases the fees that may be charged by an abstracter</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2119 - Requires that a person engaged in the business of making abstracts to title of real estate maintain a complete tract index instead of a set of abstract books or records</p> <p>SB 2218 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required a person insuring title to real property to have an attorney examine a certified abstract of title continued to the date on the commitment to ensure the title to the real property</p>

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4020	Study the regulation of and consumer protection for timeshare agreements	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 5-12-17 - Creates the Consumer Protection and Antitrust Division of the Attorney General's office. The division enforces the consumer fraud laws and laws relating to a deceptive act or practice, fraud, false pretense, false promise, or misrepresentation with the intent that others rely on it in connection with the sale or advertisement of any merchandise.</p>

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2008 § 9	Study the practices and laws relating to the sale of real estate by auctioneers, including a review of the sale of multiple parcels of property at a single sale	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 43-23-07 - Exempts auctioneers from regulations over real estate brokers and salespersons</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1008 § 7 (2005) - The changes in responsibilities and duties of the Public Service Commission since its inception, including an evaluation of what additional duties have been given to the commission and those duties no longer performed (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1386 § 1 (2003-04) - The laws requiring surety bond, the state bonding fund, availability of private surety bonds, and the appropriateness and necessity of bonds which included a review of bonds and insurance for auctioneers (Public Services Committee)</p> <p>SB 2008 § 4 (2003-04) - The feasibility and desirability of transferring inspection and standards functions conducted by various state agencies to the Public Service Commission, including the potential cost-savings and efficiencies that may be realized by training and certifying employees to conduct multiple inspection duties (Public Services Committee)</p> <p>SB 2008 § 7 (1995-96) - Services provided by the Public Service Commission, their cost and effectiveness, and the need for continuing the services as a result of regulatory changes at both the state and federal level (Government Organization Committee)</p>

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1218 § 2	Study the licensure, training, and classroom education requirements for electricians in this state; reciprocity agreements with other states and the effect of those agreements on standards in this state; and the effect of the licensure, training, classroom education requirements, and reciprocity agreements on the availability of qualified electricians in this state	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1299 § 2 - Study the regulation and licensing of pharmacists in this state</p> <p>SB 2060 § 3 - Study the laws providing criminal penalties for violation of the state's laws and administrative rules regulating occupations and professions, including consideration of whether it is the desired public policy of this state to have laws that create criminal penalties applicable to entire chapters of the North Dakota Century Code and the North Dakota Administrative Code regulating occupations and professions</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1218 - Increases the journeyman electrician licensure qualifications for an applicant who registers as an apprentice with the State Electrical Board after January 31, 2008</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1280 § 6 (2005-06) - The feasibility and desirability of creating an allied health professions board to regulate the practice of members of allied health professions, including the feasibility and desirability of a North Dakota allied health professions board entering joint professional licensure agreements with neighboring states (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2171 § 1 (2005-06) - The licensure and regulation of acupuncturists practicing in the state, as well as the possibility of multistate joint licensure and regulation programs (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2269 § 2 (2005-06) - The fiscal impact and the feasibility and desirability of establishing an umbrella licensing organization for a group consisting of counselors, psychologists, marriage and family therapists, and social workers (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>HB 1377 § 2 (2001-02) - Ability of occupational and professional boards with fewer than 100 licensees to process disciplinary complaints and carry out other statutory responsibilities (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>HB 1001 (1995-96) - The membership, duties, and responsibilities of all boards, councils, committees, and commissions of state government (Government Organization Committee)</p>

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1299 § 2	Study the regulation and licensing of pharmacists in this state, including an examination of the State Board of Pharmacy, the board's size, the manner of board membership appointment, and whether the board is representative of commercial and noncommercial pharmacists; the state's demographics and the impact changing demographics in rural areas will have on the ability of small, locally owned pharmacies to remain economically viable and of rural residents to access low-cost pharmaceuticals and pharmacy and pharmacists' services; pharmacy ownership restrictions, the relevance of those restrictions in terms of marketplace competition, and the impact of those restrictions on the price and availability of pharmaceuticals and on pharmacy and pharmacists' services; and statutory interplay between the board and the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association and whether the regulatory function of the board conflicts with the advocacy function of the association	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1218 § 2 - Study the licensure, training, and classroom education requirements for electricians in this state; reciprocity agreements with other states and the effect of those agreements on standards in this state; and the effect of the licensure, training, classroom education requirements, and reciprocity agreements on the availability of qualified electricians in North Dakota</p> <p>SB 2060 § 3 - Study the laws providing criminal penalties for violation of the state's laws and administrative rules regulating occupations and professions, including consideration of whether it is the desired public policy of this state to have laws that create criminal penalties applicable to entire chapters of the North Dakota Century Code and the North Dakota Administrative Code regulating occupations and professions</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1054 - Addresses the regulation of pharmacists, pharmacies, pharmacy interns, and pharmacy technicians, including providing pharmacy permitholders and pharmacists shall follow board established procedures for closure of a pharmacy; increasing the State Board of Pharmacy board member per diem from \$20 per day to \$200 per day; and providing reporting requirements for actions of a pharmacist, pharmacy intern, or pharmacy technician which may be grounds for disciplinary action</p> <p>HB 1299 - Provides the pharmacist ownership requirements do not apply to a pharmacy permit applicant that is a hospital if the pharmacy for which the hospital seeks a permit is a retail pharmacy that is the sole provider of pharmacy services in the community and is a retail pharmacy that was in existence before the hospital took over operation</p> <p>HB 1350 - Provides the pharmacist ownership requirements do not apply to a pharmacy permit applicant that is an owner of a postgraduate medical residency training program if the pharmacy for which permit is sought is collocated with and is run in direct conjunction with the postgraduate medical residency training program</p> <p>HB 1148 - Failed to pass the House; would have separated the State Board of Pharmacy from the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association</p> <p>SB 2387 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have separated the State Board of Pharmacy from the North Dakota Pharmaceutical Association</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1280 § 6 (2005-06) - The feasibility and desirability of creating an allied health professions board to regulate the practice of members of allied health professions, including the feasibility and desirability of a North Dakota allied health professions board entering joint professional licensure agreements with neighboring states (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2269 § 2 (2005-06) - The fiscal impact and the feasibility and desirability of establishing an umbrella licensing organization for a group consisting of counselors, psychologists, marriage and family therapists, and social workers (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>HB 1377 § 2 (2001-02) - Ability of occupational and professional boards with fewer than 100 licensees to process disciplinary complaints and carry out other statutory responsibilities (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>HB 1001 (1995-96) - The membership, duties, and responsibilities of all boards, councils, committees, and commissions of state government (Government Organization Committee)</p>

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2060 § 3	Study the laws providing criminal penalties for violation of the state's laws and administrative rules regulating occupations and professions, including consideration of whether it is the desired public policy of this state to have laws that create criminal penalties applicable to entire chapters of the North Dakota Century Code and entire titles of the North Dakota Administrative Code regulating occupations and professions	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1218 § 2 - Study of the licensure, training, and classroom education requirements for electricians in this state; reciprocity agreements with other states and the effect of those agreements on standards in this state; and the effect of the licensure, training, classroom education requirements, and reciprocity agreements on the availability of qualified electricians in North Dakota</p> <p>HB 1299 § 2 - Study the regulation and licensing of pharmacists in this state</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2060 § 2 and HB 1019 § 7 - Provides it is a Class B misdemeanor to violate the state plumbing code, which is contained in the North Dakota Administrative Code</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1280 § 6 (2005-06) - The feasibility and desirability of creating an allied health professions board to regulate the practice of members of allied health professions, including the feasibility and desirability of a North Dakota allied health professions board entering joint professional licensure agreements with neighboring states (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>SB 2269 § 2 (2005-06) - The fiscal impact and the feasibility and desirability of establishing an umbrella licensing organization for a group consisting of counselors, psychologists, marriage and family therapists, and social workers (Budget Committee on Health Care)</p> <p>HB 1377 § 2 (2001-02) - Ability of occupational and professional boards with fewer than 100 licensees to process disciplinary complaints and carry out other statutory responsibilities (Commerce Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4051 (1999-2000) - The classification of criminal offenses throughout the North Dakota Century Code (Criminal Justice Committee)</p> <p>HB 1001 (1995-96) - The membership, duties, and responsibilities of all boards, councils, committees, and commissions of state government (Government Organization Committee)</p>

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1479 § 1	Study the appropriateness of each agency exemption from the Administrative Agencies Practice Act, including discussion and analysis of each exemption and a presentation by each agency entitled to an exemption	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1479 (2007) - As introduced, would have eliminated all agency exemptions from the Administrative Agencies Practice Act</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>NDCC § 54-35-02.6 - Requires the Administrative Rules Committee to study and review administrative rules and related statutes and make recommendations to the Legislative Council for the amendment or repeal of statutes relating to administrative rules</p>

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1321 § 4	Study the extraterritorial zoning authority of cities and the impact of that authority on other political subdivisions	<p data-bbox="1312 240 1388 261" style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p data-bbox="716 269 1988 321">The bill also reduces until July 1, 2009, the extraterritorial zoning authority of cities to one-half the limits currently provided under law.</p> <p data-bbox="716 337 1988 444">NDCC § 54-35.2-02 - Directs the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations to serve as a forum for the discussion of resolution of intergovernmental problems and engage in studies relating to local governmental structure, fiscal and other powers and functions of other local governments, and relationships between and among local governments and the state or any other government</p> <p data-bbox="1228 477 1472 498" style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p data-bbox="716 506 1667 527">HCR 3059 - Provides for a study of the exercise of extraterritorial zoning authority by cities</p> <p data-bbox="1247 560 1453 581" style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p data-bbox="716 589 1988 641">SCR 4020 (1995) - Zoning and real estate laws to assess the desirability of enacting legislation relating to the housing needs and preferences of senior citizens (Not given priority)</p>

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3059	Study the exercise of extraterritorial zoning authority by cities	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 54-35.2-02 - Directs the Advisory Commission on Intergovernmental Relations to serve as a forum for the discussion of resolution of intergovernmental problems and engage in studies relating to local governmental structure, fiscal and other powers and functions of other local governments, and relationships between and among local governments and the state or any other government</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1321 § 4 - Provides for a study of the extraterritorial zoning authority of cities and the impact of that authority on other political subdivisions and reduces until July 1, 2009, the extraterritorial zoning authority of cities to one-half the limits currently provided under law</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SCR 4020 (1995) - Zoning and real estate laws to assess the desirability of enacting legislation relating to the housing needs and preferences of senior citizens (Not given priority)</p>

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2009 § 15	Study the transfer of predator control from the Agriculture Commissioner to the Game and Fish Department, including a review of the South Dakota predator control program	<p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1276 § 29 (1999) - State Board of Animal Health, including its membership, its representation, and the nature and scope of its regulatory authority over nontraditional livestock (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3049 (1999) - The statutes and rules concerning the propagation of captive wildlife and exotic wildlife in North Dakota and the authority of the Game and Fish Commissioner and the Board of Animal Health to regulate this industry (Not given priority)</p>

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1146 § 2	Study issues related to the severance of hunting access from the surface estate	<p data-bbox="1312 240 1390 261" style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p data-bbox="716 269 1934 293">HB 1146 § 1 - Places a moratorium on the severance on the right of access for hunting access until August 1, 2009</p> <p data-bbox="1247 326 1455 347" style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p data-bbox="716 355 1986 407">SB 2113 § 1 (2005) - Issues related to hunting and fishing privileges by nonresidents and nonresidents who are former residents (Not given priority)</p> <p data-bbox="716 423 1906 448">HB 1269 § 1 (2001-02) - Issues relating to resident and nonresident hunting in this state (Judiciary B Committee)</p> <p data-bbox="716 464 1934 488">HCR 3023 (2001) - The use of easements to protect agricultural and other lands in North Dakota (Not given priority)</p> <p data-bbox="716 505 1986 557">HCR 3050 (1993-94) - The state's hunting laws to determine changes that can be made to improve the relationship between hunters and private landowners, including the issuance of gratis permits (Natural Resources Committee)</p>

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2161 § 2	(If federal or other funds have not been awarded to the Attorney General by September 1, 2007) Study the feasibility and desirability of implementing a system of computerized registration sites for certain criminal offenders	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>(Contingent on notification by Attorney General that federal funds or other funds have not been awarded as of September 1, 2007)</p> <p>SB 2161 § 1 - Appropriates \$1,046,080 from federal funds or other funds to the Attorney General for 10 computerized sexual offender registration sites</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2029 - Allows electronic home detention or global position system monitoring as an intermediate measure of supervised probation</p> <p>SB 2259 - Requires registration for 25 years for an offender assigned as a moderate risk sexual offender by the Attorney General</p> <p>HB 1216 - Requires a minimum sentence of 20 years imprisonment for Class AA gross sexual imposition</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1473 (2005-06) - Sentencing alternatives, mandatory sentences, treatment options, the expanded use of problem-solving courts, home monitoring, and other related issues (Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration)</p> <p>SCR 4048 (1999-2000) - The feasibility and desirability of revising the sections of the North Dakota Century Code which relate to sexual offenses, sentencing of sexual offenders, and sexual offender commitment treatment</p> <p>HCR 3016 (1995-96) - The feasibility and desirability of providing a community notification process by which communities would be informed of the release of a convicted sexual offender and of person charged with or convicted of sexual offenses</p> <p>SCR 4001 (1995-96) - Dispositional alternatives available in cases involving sexual offenses against children, disposition of cases involving perpetrators who do not attend court-ordered treatment, and the court's use and compliance with NDCC Chapter 12.1-35 and Rule 803(24) of the North Dakota Rules of Evidence</p>

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1219 § 2	Study the feasibility and desirability of establishing a statewide automated victim information and notification system to provide information and notify registered victims regarding the status of an offender	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1219 § 1 - Authorizes the Information Technology Department to establish a statewide automated victim information and notification system to be administered by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation; as introduced, required the establishment of the system</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SCR 4001 (1995-96) - Among other things, the courts' use of and compliance with NDCC Chapter 12.1-35, child victim and witness protection, and Rule 803(24) of the North Dakota Rules of Evidence (Criminal Justice Committee)</p>

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3048	Study crime victims compensation funding, including a review of other states' efforts, and receive input from victim advocacy groups and medical providers	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC Chapter 12.1-34 - Identifies statutory rights of crime victims. The crime victim's compensation program operates within the Parole and Probation Division of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1219 - Authorizes the Information Technology Department to establish a statewide automated victim information and notification system, which, if established, would be administered by the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation. The system would permit a victim to be notified by telephone, mail, or e-mail of the status of an offender.</p> <p>SB 2103 - Provides that when an acute forensic medical examination is performed on an alleged victim of criminal sexual conduct, the costs incurred by the health care facility or health care professional for performing the examination may not be charged to the alleged victim</p> <p>HCR 3013 - Study the statutes and institutional resources relating to the domestic violence protection order process, including criminal cases for alleged violation of protection orders</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3042 (2005-06) - The laws of this state and other states as they relate to the unauthorized acquisition, theft, and misuse of personal identifying information belonging to another individual (Judicial Process Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3062 (2003-04) - Vulnerable adult abuse and neglect with an emphasis on whether certain individuals should be required to report suspected incidents of vulnerable adult abuse and neglect (Criminal Justice Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4038 (1997) - The effectiveness of methods to improve advocacy programs administered by the Department of Human Services and the feasibility and desirability of merging those advocacy programs, including the vulnerable adult protective services program, into the protection and advocacy program (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4026 (1997) - The feasibility and desirability of establishing a statewide domestic violence task force to address domestic violence prevention issues and adopt a statewide domestic violence prevention strategy (Not given priority)</p>

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3013	Study statutes and institutional resources relating to the domestic violence protection order process, including criminal cases for alleged violation of protection orders	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1238 - Requires a law enforcement officer investigating domestic violence to consider which party engaged in the most immediately significant aggression by considering any history of domestic violence or any other violent acts that the officer can reasonably ascertain, in addition to the previous factors of the comparative severities of the injuries and the likelihood of future harm</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3062 (2003-04) - Vulnerable adult abuse and neglect with an emphasis on whether certain individuals should be required to report suspected incidents of vulnerable adult abuse and neglect (Criminal Justice Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4038 (1997) - The effectiveness of methods to improve advocacy programs administered by the Department of Human Services and the feasibility and desirability of merging those advocacy programs, including the vulnerable adult protective services program, into the protection and advocacy program (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4026 (1997) - The feasibility and desirability of establishing a statewide domestic violence task force to address domestic violence prevention issues and adopt a statewide domestic violence prevention strategy (Not given priority)</p>

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3008	Study the issues of fairness, equity, and the best interests of children as they relate to issues of child custody and visitation	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>General Election 2006 - Initiated Measure No. 3 - This measure, which provided for significant statutory changes to child support and child custody issues, failed by a margin of 43.6 percent to 56.4 percent</p> <p>HCR 3004 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have directed a study of issues relating to child custody, visitation, and child support in this state, including issues of fairness and equity as they relate to the issuance and enforcement of child custody, visitation, and child support orders and whether the state should pursue nonadversarial alternatives for the resolution of family law disputes</p> <p>SCR 4028 - Study the feasibility and desirability of establishing a paternity registry</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>SB 2064 - Provides that when a motion for a change of child custody is filed during the time a parent is in active duty service, the court may not enter an order modifying or amending a previous judgment or issue a new order that changes the child's placement that existed on the date the parent was called to active duty service</p> <p>SB 2207 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have authorized the Department of Human Services to provide assistance to parents in amicably resolving issues pertaining to custody and support of a child in a way that best serves the interests of the child and promotes a healthy relationship between the child and each parent</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3054 (2001) - The impact on domestic relations law of using the term "parental responsibility" in lieu of "custody" and "parenting time" in lieu of "visitation" (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4032 (1999-2000) - The family law process in North Dakota with a focus on a review of existing statutes, the coordination of procedures, and the further implementation of alternative dispute resolution methods (Judiciary Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3034 (1997) - The impact of divorce on children and issues of equity and fairness as they relate to custody determinations, visitation orders, and child support obligations (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1041 § 14 (1997-98) - The provision of child support services and child care licensing in this state (Child Support Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3031 (1997-98) - The issues of fairness and equity as they relate to child support guidelines and the issuance and enforcement of child custody and visitation orders (Child Support Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4048 (1997) - The interrelationship of the postjudgment issues of child support and visitation, including the accountability of both parents to honor divorce orders and the development of a parenting education program that addresses the impact of divorce on children (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4049 (1995) - Issues relating to child support (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4055 (1995) - The feasibility and desirability of establishing an administrative process for the enforcement of child support obligations (Not given priority)</p>

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3056	Study the search for and identification of missing persons	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>This state has implemented an Amber Alert plan which notifies interested persons of a child abduction using the emergency alert system that is also used for severe weather.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SCR 4016 (2005) - The feasibility and desirability of adopting a statewide procedure for conducting missing persons investigations (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4014 (2003-04) - Methods for funding and providing law enforcement training in this state (Criminal Justice Committee)</p> <p>In the 2001-02 interim, the Information Technology Committee reviewed the Criminal Justice Information Sharing Initiative.</p> <p>SCR 4075 (1993-94) - Methods for funding state, county, and city law enforcement, correctional, and emergency medical technician training facilities and programs and the feasibility and desirability of establishing centralized training for law enforcement, correctional, emergency medical assistance personnel, and other emergency service (Budget Committee on Government Finance)</p>

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3002	Study the judicial election and judicial selection process in North Dakota	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HCR 3002 - Was recommended by the 2005-06 interim Judicial Process Committee. The committee recommended a continuation of the judicial election and judicial selection process into the 2007-08 interim.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1375 - Expands the campaign finance reporting requirements for judicial candidates to require that the candidate's statement include the gross total of all contributions received of \$200 or less and the cash on hand in the candidate's account at the start and close of the reporting period</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3014 (2005-06) - Judicial elections and recent federal court decisions affecting the conduct of judicial elections (Judicial Process Committee)</p>

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4004	Study the respective responsibilities of county and state judicial system personnel under the Uniform Juvenile Court Act in light of statutory ambiguities in defining those responsibilities	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1387 - Study the leasing of court facilities</p> <p>HB 1092 - Makes changes to the Uniform Juvenile Court Act; addresses the federal Indian Child Welfare Act requirement that "active efforts" to preserve the Indian family be shown before a court may place an Indian child in foster care or terminate parental rights with respect to an Indian child; and allows the court to establish a guardianship for a child if a child is found to be delinquent, unruly, or deprived and sets forth the procedures for establishing and terminating the guardianship</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3067 (1999-2000) - Review and monitor the implementation of legislation that provides for the delivery of clerk of district court services through state funding and alternative methods (Judiciary Committee)</p> <p>HB 1002 § 4 (1999-2000) - The impact of court unification on the judicial system and on the effective provision of judicial services to state residents (Judiciary Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3068 (1999) - The feasibility and desirability of an equitable sharing, between the state and counties, of the costs of providing facilities for the delivery of state-funded judicial and clerk of court services (Not given priority)</p>

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1387 § 1	Study the leasing or renting of facilities for the use by district courts from counties or other political subdivisions, including the feasibility and desirability of counties retaining a portion of the fees collected by the counties in lieu of leasing or renting by the state	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>HB 1387 - As introduced, would have required the Supreme Court to include in its budget for the district courts appropriate funding to lease from each county adequate chamber, court, law library quarters, and appropriate facilities for clerk of court services that are state-funded. The bill was amended by the House to provide for a study.</p> <p>SCR 4004 - Study the responsibilities of county and state judicial system personnel under the Uniform Juvenile Court Act</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1186 (2003-04) - The leasing or renting of county court facilities by the state or other political subdivision, including the possibility of counties retaining a portion of fees collected by the counties in lieu of leasing or renting by the state or other political subdivision (Judicial Process Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3068 (1999) - The feasibility and desirability of an equitable sharing, between the state and counties, of the costs of providing facilities for the delivery of state-funded judicial and clerk of court services (Not given priority)</p> <p>HCR 3067 (1999-2000) - Review and monitor the implementation of legislation that provides for the delivery of clerk of district court services through state funding and alternative methods (Judiciary Committee)</p> <p>HB 1002 § 4 (1999-2000) - The impact of court unification on the judicial system and on the effective provision of judicial services to state residents (Judiciary Committee)</p>

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4011	Study the formation of a North Dakota gaming commission to regulate and control all forms of gaming in North Dakota	<p style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p>HB 1126 - Establishes the racing promotion fund as a fund administered by the Racing Commission; imposes various duties upon the Racing Commission; requires the approval of the Attorney General before a license to conduct races may be granted; modifies the current tax structure for live horse racing and simulcast wagering; and authorizes the Attorney General to audit and investigate certain providers and companies and organizations applying to conduct parimutuel wagering</p> <p>HB 1324 - Provides that the Racing Commission is required to provide for registration of a North Dakota-bred horse for qualification for breeders' fund awards or purse supplements; prohibits the commission from transferring money among the breeders' fund, the purse fund, and the racing promotion fund; and requires the commission to distribute awards and payment supplements from the breeders' fund in the same calendar year the money was earned by the recipient</p> <p>HB 1509 - Failed to pass the House; would have allowed for wagering on previously run dog and horse races</p> <p>SB 2101 - Makes miscellaneous changes to the state's lottery laws</p> <p>SB 2209 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have provided that licensure of certain service providers and organizations applying to conduct simulcast or account wagering must be approved by the Attorney General and would have authorized the Attorney General to audit and investigate those entities. These provisions were amended into House Bill No. 1126.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1003 § 14 (2001-02) - The Racing Commission, including its authority to schedule, promote, support, and regulate live or simulcast racing in North Dakota, including the effectiveness of the commission's authority to both promote and regulate racing and whether its authority is appropriate for the commission and its members (Budget Committee on Government Administration)</p> <p>SCR 4036 (1999) - Appropriateness and adequacy of the laws on charitable gaming, including the financial remuneration allowed to owners of charitable gaming sites (Not given priority)</p> <p>HB 1167 § 22 (1997-98) - Charitable gaming laws and rules to determine whether the laws and rules regarding taxation, enforcement, limitations, conduct, and play of charitable gaming are adequate and appropriate (Judiciary Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4012 (1995-96) - The feasibility and desirability of legislation governing the future negotiation, amendment, and renewal of tribal-state gaming compacts (Judiciary Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3072 (1993-94) - Charitable gaming laws and rules and the effects of Indian gaming on charitable gaming in this state (Judiciary Committee)</p>

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1015 § 16	Study retirement program criteria and benefits for correctional officers and peace officers employed by state agencies, including the feasibility and desirability of allowing these employees to retire with full retirement benefits at age 55 or the "Rule of 85"	<p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HB 1015 § 28 (2005-06) - Issues related to state employee compensation, including total state employee compensation, the human resources system, retirement benefits, health insurance benefits, and the feasibility and desirability of implementing equity pay, merit pay, and pay-for-performance compensation systems (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)</p> <p>HB 1015 § 29 (2005) - Employee salaries of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, including a salary comparison of the department's employees to market, salary increases and equity adjustments from 1995 through 2005, salary increases and equity adjustments authorized for the 2005-07 biennium, employee turnover, and salary equity funding requested and provided (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4014 (2003) - Methods for funding and providing law enforcement training in this state (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4017 (2001-02) - The feasibility and desirability of implementing a retirement program for all law enforcement and correctional officers within the state of North Dakota which provides retirement benefits similar to those provided to the members of the Highway Patrolmen's retirement system pursuant to NDCC Chapter 39-03.1 (Employee Benefits Programs Committee)</p> <p>SB 2016 § 5 (2001-02) - The facilities and operations of the Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation (Corrections Committee)</p> <p>HB 1431 (2001) - The correctional system in North Dakota, including its functions, responsibilities, funding, causes for increases in the state's inmate population, and the effectiveness of sentencing laws, incarceration, and treatment (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4020 (2001) - State employee compensation and benefit levels (Not given priority)</p>

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3026	Study the feasibility and desirability of establishing legislation for the enforcement and assessment of civil penalties for violation of the one-call excavation notice system	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>NDCC § 49-23-03(4)(d) - Provides that the board of directors of the notification center shall aid the state's attorneys of the various counties in the enforcement of this chapter and the prosecution of any violations. In addition, the board may institute a civil action for an injunction to enjoin violations of this chapter without proof that anyone suffered actual damages.</p> <p>NDCC § 49-23-06 - Provides that an excavator that does not use the one-call system and causes damage to underground facilities is liable for the cost of repair and restoration, loss of product, and interruption of service occurring because of the damage or injury to the facilities, together with reasonable costs and expenses of suit, including reasonable attorney's fees. In addition, the excavator may be guilty of a Class A misdemeanor.</p>

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1018 § 28	Study issues relating to wireless service providers in the state and how wireless service impacts the business climate in the state	<p data-bbox="1312 240 1390 261" style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p data-bbox="716 269 1992 347">During the 2005-06 interim, the Electric Industry Competition Committee received a report from the Division of State Radio on the operation of and any recommended changes in the emergency 911 telephone system standards and guidelines as required by NDCC Section 57-40.6-11.</p> <p data-bbox="1226 378 1476 399" style="text-align: center;">LEGISLATION 2007</p> <p data-bbox="716 407 1992 459">SB 2409 - Failed to pass the Senate; would have required the Public Service Commission to adopt rules for wireless telephone service customer protection</p>

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2169 § 11	Study the feasibility and desirability of collecting emergency 911 fees on the sale of prepaid wireless services, including an evaluation of methods by which E911 fees may be collected from end users and purchasers of prepaid wireless services on an equitable, efficient, competitively neutral, and nondiscriminatory basis and a review of whether the collection of fees on prepaid wireless services would constitute an efficient use of public funds, given the technological and practical considerations of collecting the fees	<p style="text-align: center;">NOTE</p> <p>During the 2005-06 interim, the Electric Industry Competition Committee received a report from the Public Safety Answering Points Coordinating Committee on city and county fees on telephone exchange access service and wireless service as required by NDCC Section 57-40.6-12 and the Legislative Audit and Fiscal Review Committee received a performance audit on the collection and use of 911 fees</p> <p>Similar study - SB 2016 § 8 - Study the Department of Emergency Services, including the Division of Homeland Security and the Division of State Radio, including a review of the allocation of federal homeland security funding, the operation of State Radio, and potential changes to the 911 fee structure to continue salary equity funding provided in the 2007-09 biennium</p> <p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>SB 2015 (1995-96) - Received report on alternatives for the operation of the 911 system and which state agency should administer State Radio communications (Budget Section)</p>

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3044	Study how the state might pursue additional uses of Lake Sakakawea and Missouri River waters for such beneficial purposes as domestic and industrial uses, recreation, fish and wildlife, and irrigation, and how the state, to enhance its use of the lake and river, might promote congressional review of the 1944 Flood Control Act and a reexamination by the Corps of Engineers of the way in which it manages the Missouri River system	<p style="text-align: center;">PRIOR STUDIES</p> <p>HCR 3059 (2001) - The water concerns and needs of North Dakota (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4046 (2001) - Issues related to the Missouri River in this state (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4027 (1999-2000) - Issues related to the Missouri River in this state (Garrison Diversion Overview Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3013 (1999) - Basinwide water management of the Red River Basin (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4041 (1997-98) - The establishment of watershed districts to manage water based on watershed boundaries (Garrison Diversion Overview Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4033 (1995-96) - The financing and funding needs for development and completion of the state's water resources infrastructure and methods for development of a program to provide financing and funding of water supply facilities in this state (Water Resources Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4053 (1995-96) - The state's water laws concerning their effect on the efficient use of water and their effect on the holders of senior water rights (Water Resources Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3054 (1993) - The supplying of water to rural areas and small towns (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4075 (1991 Special Session) - Investigate and recommend a program or programs for funding and financing this comprehensive statewide water development program (Natural Resources Committee)</p> <p>SCR 4038 (1991-92) - Methods that could be used to fund and finance critical water projects and programs, including construction of facilities (Natural Resources Committee)</p> <p>HCR 3045 (1991) - Water quality in this state and the best methods of preserving and improving on the quality of water supplies (Not given priority)</p> <p>SCR 4039 (1991-92) - The priority of water rights and North Dakota's water permitting process (Natural Resources Committee)</p>