

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1108

That the House accede to the Senate amendments as printed on pages 1035 and 1036 of the House Journal and pages 879 and 880 of the Senate Journal and that Engrossed House Bill No. 1108 be further amended as follows:

Page 1, line 8, after the semicolon insert "to amend and reenact the new section to chapter 49-21 of the North Dakota Century Code as created by section 1 of House Bill No. 1050, as approved by the fifty-sixth legislative assembly, relating to a regulatory reform review commission study;"

Page 1, after line 10, insert:

"SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. The new section to chapter 49-21 of the North Dakota Century Code as created by section 1 of House Bill No. 1050, as approved by the fifty-sixth legislative assembly, is amended and reenacted as follows:

Regulatory reform review commission - Appointments - Compensation - Report to legislative council. The regulatory reform review commission shall review the operation and effect of North Dakota telecommunications law on an ongoing basis during the interims between the 1999 and 2003 legislative sessions and shall submit a report regarding its operation and effect to the legislative council in 2000 and 2002. During the 1999-2000 interim, the regulatory reform review commission shall study the provisions of the gross receipt tax in this state and examine the manner in which internet access service providers are taxed. The regulatory reform review commission shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation necessary to implement the recommendations, to the fifty-seventh legislative assembly. The regulatory reform review commission may review the effects of federal universal service support mechanisms on telecommunications companies and consumers in this state and may review the preservation and advancement of universal service in this state, consistent with the Communications Act of 1934 [47 U.S.C. 151 et seq.], as amended by the Telecommunications Act of 1996 [Pub. L. 104-104; 110 Stat. 56] during these interims and may include any findings and recommendations in its reports to the legislative council. The regulatory reform review commission consists of one member of the public service commission who has responsibility for telecommunications regulation, two members of the senate, appointed by the president of the senate, and two members of the house of representatives, appointed by the speaker. The chairman of the legislative council shall designate the chairman and vice chairman of the regulatory reform review commission from the legislative members of the commission. The public service commission shall provide technical assistance and the legislative council shall provide staff services to the regulatory reform review commission. The legislative members of the regulatory reform review commission are entitled to the same compensation as provided for members of committees of the legislative council. The legislative council shall pay the compensation for the legislative members of the regulatory reform review commission. The public service commission shall pay the expenses of the member of the public service commission serving on the regulatory reform review commission and the public service commission staff providing technical assistance while carrying out their duties."

Page 10, line 1, replace "6" with "7"

Page 10, line 3, replace "7" with "8"

Renumber accordingly