

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1028**

Introduced by

Legislative Council

(Commerce Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 52-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the establishment of an unemployment insurance advisory council.

3 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 52-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **52-02-07. State and local unemployment insurance advisory councils appointed**  
7 **by bureau council - Composition - Duties - Compensation.**

8 1. ~~The bureau governor shall appoint a state an unemployment insurance advisory~~  
9 ~~council and may appoint local advisory councils, composed in each case of an~~  
10 ~~equal number of employer representatives and employee representatives who may~~  
11 ~~be regarded fairly as representative because of their vocation, employment, or~~  
12 ~~affiliations, and of such members representing the general public as the bureau~~  
13 ~~may designate. Such councils shall aid the bureau in formulating policies, and~~  
14 ~~discussing problems related to the administration of the bureau and in assuring~~  
15 ~~impartiality and freedom from political influence in the solution of such problems~~  
16 ~~consisting of seven members:~~

- 17 a. Five members must represent employers, two of whom must represent  
18 employers employing fewer than twenty-five employees, one of whom must  
19 represent employers employing twenty-five or more employees, one of whom  
20 must represent an employer from the positive employer rate groups, and one  
21 of whom must represent an employer from the negative employer rate groups.
- 22 b. One member who must represent employees.
- 23 c. One at-large member who must be a resident of the state.

- 1           2. Of the members first appointed, the term of office of three members is three years,  
2           the term of office of two members is two years, and the term of office of two  
3           members is one year. Thereafter, the term of office of each member is three  
4           years. The governor shall fill any vacancy on the council by appointing a member  
5           to complete the unexpired term.
- 6           3. The council shall select a chairman annually from its members.
- 7           4. The unemployment insurance advisory council shall advise job service North  
8           Dakota regarding issues relating to the operations, effectiveness, fairness, and  
9           efficiency of the unemployment insurance program, and on any related issue or  
10           concern brought to the council's attention by the executive director or the executive  
11           director's designee. The council shall meet at least once each calendar year and  
12           may meet at the call of the chairman or at the call of the executive director.
- 13           5. The ~~state~~ members of the unemployment insurance advisory council must be  
14           reimbursed for any necessary expenses ~~but shall serve without further~~ and are  
15           entitled to receive compensation ~~except such as may be authorized and fixed by~~  
16           ~~the bureau by regulation. Local advisory councils may be reimbursed for any~~  
17           necessary expenses ~~but must serve without further compensation~~ in the sum of  
18           fifty dollars per day spent in attendance at meetings.