

HOUSE BILL NO. 1222

Introduced by

Representatives Carlson, Devlin, Thoreson

Senators Flakoll, O'Connell, Wardner

1 A BILL for an Act providing for determining the estimated fiscal effect of an initiated measure.

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

3 **SECTION 1. Estimated fiscal effect of an initiated measure.** The legislative council
4 shall coordinate the determination of the estimated fiscal effect of an initiated measure. Upon
5 notification from the secretary of state that an initiated measure has been approved for
6 placement on the ballot, the legislative council or a committee designated by the council shall
7 hold hearings, receive public testimony, and gather information on the estimated fiscal effect of
8 the measure. Each agency, institution, or department shall provide information requested in the
9 format and timeframe prescribed by the legislative council or its designated committee for
10 identifying the estimated fiscal effect of an initiated measure. At least thirty days prior to the
11 public vote on the measure, the legislative council or its designated committee shall submit a
12 statement of the estimated fiscal effect of the measure to the secretary of state. Upon receipt,
13 the secretary of state shall arrange for the information to be available to the public.