

**Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1530
(Representatives Berg, Drovdal, Kempenich, Norland, Rennerfeldt, Skarphol)
(Approved by the Delayed Bills Committee)

AN ACT to provide for a legislative council study of North Dakota's oil and gas tax structure.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY - OIL AND GAS TAX STRUCTURE - COMPARISON TO OTHER STATES - SIMPLIFICATION. The legislative council shall consider studying, during the 2005-06 interim, North Dakota's oil and gas tax structure, including comparison to the oil and gas tax structure of other producing states and consideration of the feasibility and desirability of simplification of North Dakota's oil and gas tax structure. The legislative council shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixtieth legislative assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1530.

House Vote: Yeas 72 Nays 20 Absent 2

Senate Vote: Yeas 33 Nays 9 Absent 5

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2005.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2005.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2005,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State