

SENATE BILL NO. 2085

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of Job Service North Dakota)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 52-02-18 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to biennial performance audits of job service North Dakota.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 52-02-18 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **52-02-18. Independent performance audit ~~–Continuing appropriation.~~** The state
7 auditor shall, upon request of the legislative audit and fiscal review committee, cause a
8 performance audit of job service North Dakota to be conducted within twelve months after
9 receipt of the request. The state auditor may appoint ~~on a biennial basis~~ an independent audit
10 firm, with extensive expertise in job service practices and standards, to complete a performance
11 audit or the state auditor may conduct the performance audit. If the state auditor completes the
12 audit, the state auditor may contract with a consulting firm to aid in the state audit or to
13 complete the audit and shall charge job service North Dakota for the audit, including the
14 services of the consulting firm. ~~The audit must evaluate divisions of job service North Dakota,~~
15 ~~as determined necessary by the state auditor, to determine whether the divisions are providing~~
16 ~~quality service in an efficient and cost-effective manner. The audit report must contain~~
17 ~~recommendations for divisional improvement or an explanation of why no recommendations are~~
18 ~~being made.~~ The executive director of job service North Dakota and the auditor shall present
19 the audit report and any action taken as a result of the audit to the legislative council's
20 legislative audit and fiscal review committee and to the house and senate industry, business
21 and labor standing committees during the next regular session of the legislative assembly
22 following the audit. ~~The executive director shall also provide a copy of the audit report to the~~
23 ~~state auditor.~~ No more than one performance audit may be requested or performed pursuant to

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- 1 this section in any quadrennial period commencing with the date of completion of the previous
- 2 performance audit.