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The Senate convened at 1:00 p.m., with President Dalrymple presiding.

The prayer was offered by Troy Shirley, Director, Campus Crusade, Bismarck.

The roll was called and all members were present.

A quorum was declared by the President.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that a committee of two be appointed to escort Miss North Dakota, Annette Olson, to the rostrum, which motion prevailed. The President appointed Sens. Freborg and Heitkamp.

REMARKS OF MISS NORTH DAKOTA, ANNETTE OLSON

Good afternoon ladies and gentlemen, my name is Annette Olson. I appreciate the opportunity to speak with you today. As Miss North Dakota, I have the privilege of meeting and talking with students across the state. I have visited 40 schools and spoken to approximately five thousand students. I have been so impressed with the young people I have met, and the administration and teachers at our North Dakota schools. I attended a tiny country school in Regan, North Dakota. I was the only student in my grade. I feel so fortunate to have been able to receive my education is such a setting. From the largest schools in the state to the very smallest, education in North Dakota is top-notch.

This year I have traveled the state promoting the "Eat Smart, Play Hard" campaign. This if a program of the NDSU Extension Service. As an employee of the State Health Department, I am aware of the correlation between diet and disease. I find the recent trends toward childhood obesity and chronic illness particularly alarming. I teach kids about the importance of making healthy lifestyle choices in regard to nutrition and exercise.

When I am visiting with youth, we often discuss their goals and future ambitions. This is my favorite part of being Miss North Dakota. These young people have bright futures and big dreams. I am convinced that we have some of the country's best educated, most talented, and hardest working kids. Thank you for the work you do to support education in our small schools as well as our larger schools. You have deemed youth leadership and achievement programs in our state, programs like 4-H, a priority. These programs give our children the skills to achieve their dreams.

The ongoing work to bring new businesses and opportunities in technology, research, and renewable energy offers promising futures for the youth of North Dakota. This is and exciting time of growth and economic development in our state. With all of the potential on the horizon, North Dakota is a great place for young people.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that the remarks of Miss Annette Olson, Miss North Dakota, be printed in the Journal, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

HB 1295: SEN. FIEBIGER (Transportation Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ page 598 be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with DO PASS, which motion prevailed.

CONSIDERATION OF AMENDMENTS

HB 1362: SEN. G. LEE (Transportation Committee) MOVED that the amendments on SJ page 598 be adopted and then be placed on the Fourteenth order with DO PASS, which motion prevailed.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1052: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 1, 2, 5, and 9 of section 43-29-01.1, subsection 1 of section 43-29-07, subsections 1, 2, and 3 of section 43-29-07.2, subsection 11 of section 43-29-13, and subsection 1 of section 43-29-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the licensure of veterinarians.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

HB 1052 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1064: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to creation of the highway patrol assets forfeiture fund; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 27 YEAS, 20 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Behm; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Horne; Kilzer; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Tallackson; Taylor; Triplett; Wardner
- NAYS: Andrist; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Holmberg; Klein; Lyson; Oehlke; Olafson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tollefson; Urlacher; Wanzek; Warner

Reengrossed HB 1064 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1085: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4-35.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a report by the agriculture commissioner on the status of the pesticide container disposal program; to amend and reenact sections 4-35.2-01, 4-35.2-02, and 4-35.2-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to making permanent law of the agricultural pesticide and pesticide container disposal program; and to provide an effective date.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

Engrossed HB 1085 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1114: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-09-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to minimum speed limits.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 45 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner
- **NAYS:** Christmann; Lee, G.

Engrossed HB 1114 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1118: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 43-12.1-08, 43-12.1-09, and 43-12.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the issuance of limited licenses and registrations by the board of nursing and the requirements of nurse applicants for license by endorsement; and to declare an emergency.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

Engrossed HB 1118, as amended, passed, the title was agreed to, and the emergency clause was declared carried.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1179: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 23-35-04 and section 54-52.1-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the formation of health districts and to participation in the uniform group insurance program.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 36 YEAS, 11 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Erbele; Fiebiger; Flakoll; Freborg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Klein; Krauter; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Warner
- NAYS: Christmann; Cook; Dever; Fischer; Grindberg; Kilzer; Krebsbach; Nelson; Nething; Stenehjem; Wardner
- HB 1179, as amended, passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1185: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 4-10.7-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the powers and duties of the North Dakota dry pea and lentil council.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern;

Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

Engrossed HB 1185 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1236: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-10-59 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to littering.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

HB 1236 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1318: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-10-28 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to information technology responsibilities of the state auditor.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner
- HB 1318 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1374: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-16-01 and 16.1-16-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to election recounts.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 46 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

NAYS: Potter

Engrossed HB 1374 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1376: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-10-04 and 16.1-10-06.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to corrupt election practices.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 45 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner
- **NAYS:** Heitkamp; Potter

Engrossed HB 1376 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1377: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-15-06 and 16.1-15-08, subsection 6 of section 16.1-15-09, sections 16.1-15-13, 16.1-15-15, 16.1-15-19, 16.1-15-22, 16.1-15-25, and 16.1-15-26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to canvassing elections.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 38 YEAS, 9 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Robinson; Seymour; Tallackson; Taylor; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner
- NAYS: Christmann; Freborg; Heitkamp; Krauter; O'Connell; Potter; Stenehjem; Tollefson; Warner
- HB 1377 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1380: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 16.1-01-02.2 and 16.1-01-03, subsection 4 of section 16.1-01-04, section 16.1-01-05.1, and subsections 1 and 2 of section 16.1-01-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to general procedures for elections.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 37 YEAS, 10 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Andrist; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner
- NAYS: Anderson; Bakke; Behm; Fiebiger; Heitkamp; Krauter; Mathern; Potter; Triplett; Warner
- HB 1380 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1382: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 4-08-06 and 44-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to county election filing dates.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 45 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner
- **NAYS:** Heitkamp; Krauter
- HB 1382 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1383: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-09-08 and subsection 1 of section 15.1-09-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to precincts for school board elections.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 43 YEAS, 4 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

- YEAS: Anderson; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner
- **NAYS:** Andrist; Flakoll; Heitkamp; Mathern

Engrossed HB 1383 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1468: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-20-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to temporary operator permits after testing for alcohol.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 47 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Fischer; Flakoll; Freborg; Grindberg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

Engrossed HB 1468 passed and the title was agreed to.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HCR 3001: A concurrent resolution authorizing the Budget Section of the Legislative Council to hold the required legislative hearings on state plans for the receipt and expenditure of new or revised block grants passed by Congress.

The question being on the final adoption of the resolution, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS.

HCR 3001 was declared adopted, and the title was agreed to on a voice vote.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTION

HCR 3005: A concurrent resolution urging Congress to pass an agricultural disaster relief package.

The question being on the final adoption of the resolution, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS.

HCR 3005 was declared adopted, and the title was agreed to on a voice vote.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that HB 1056, which is on the Fourteenth order, be rereferred to the **Industry, Business and Labor Committee,** which motion prevailed. Pursuant to Sen. Christmann's motion, HB 1056 was rereferred.

REQUEST

SEN. KREBSBACH REQUESTED that the record show she intended to vote "AYE" on HB 1179, as amended, which request was granted.

REQUEST

SEN. NETHING REQUESTED that the record show he intended to vote "AYE" on HB 1179, as amended, which request was granted.

REQUEST

SEN. NELSON REQUESTED that the record show she intended to vote "AYE" on HB 1179, as amended, which request was granted.

MOTION

SEN. HOLMBERG MOVED that the Senate reconsider its action whereby HB 1179, as amended, passed, which motion prevailed on a voice vote.

SECOND READING OF HOUSE BILL

HB 1179: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 23-35-04 and section 54-52.1-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the formation of health districts and to participation in the uniform group insurance program.

ROLL CALL

The question being on the final passage of the amended bill, which has been read, and has committee recommendation of DO PASS, the roll was called and there were 45 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 0 EXCUSED, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING.

YEAS: Anderson; Andrist; Bakke; Behm; Bowman; Christmann; Cook; Dever; Erbele; Fiebiger; Flakoll; Freborg; Hacker; Heckaman; Heitkamp; Holmberg; Horne; Kilzer; Klein; Krauter; Krebsbach; Lee, G.; Lee, J.; Lindaas; Lyson; Marcellais; Mathern; Nelson; Nething; O'Connell; Oehlke; Olafson; Pomeroy; Potter; Robinson; Seymour; Stenehjem; Tallackson; Taylor; Tollefson; Triplett; Urlacher; Wanzek; Wardner; Warner

NAYS: Fischer; Grindberg

HB 1179, as amended, passed and the title was agreed to.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM R. HORTON, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed and your favorable consideration is requested on: SCR 4025.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM R. HORTON, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed unchanged: HB 1037, HB 1053, HB 1057, HB 1068, HB 1098, HB 1104, HB 1122, HB 1131, HB 1184, HB 1193, HB 1248, HB 1261, HB 1341, HB 1347, HB 1387, HCR 3014.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM R. HORTON, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: The Senate has passed, the emergency clause carried, unchanged: HB 1178, HB 1201, HB 1490.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK) MR. PRESIDENT: The House has passed unchanged: SB 2083, SB 2085, SB 2088, SB 2132, SB 2133, SB 2170, SB 2175. MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK) MR. PRESIDENT: The House has passed, the emergency clause carried, unchanged: SB 2097, SB 2120, SB 2130.

MESSAGE TO THE HOUSE FROM THE SENATE (WILLIAM R. HORTON, SECRETARY) MR. SPEAKER: Your signature is respectfully requested on: SB 2089, SB 2091, SB 2124.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK) MR. PRESIDENT: The Speaker has signed: SB 2089, SB 2091, SB 2124.

MESSAGE TO THE SENATE FROM THE HOUSE (BUELL J. REICH, CHIEF CLERK)

MR. PRESIDENT: Your signature is respectfully requested on: HB 1045, HB 1048, HB 1206, HB 1224, HB 1257, HB 1333.

MOTION

SEN. CHRISTMANN MOVED that the Senate be on the Fourth, Fifth, and Thirteenth orders of business and at the conclusion of those orders, the Senate stand adjourned until 1:00 p.m., Tuesday, February 27, 2007, which motion prevailed.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4013: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4013 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- SCR 4022: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4022 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
- Page 1, line 1, after "to" insert "continue to"
- Page 1, line 2, replace "disengage American combat forces from Iraq duty" with "Afghanistan"
- Page 1, line 3, after the first "Iraq" insert "and Afghanistan" and remove "in the midst of an Iraq civil"
- Page 1, line 4, remove "and sectarian war"
- Page 1, replace lines 5 and 6 with:

"WHEREAS, a successful conclusion of their efforts is desired to bring our troops back with honor and the appreciation of our citizens;"

Page 1, after line 8, insert:

"That the Sixtieth Legislative Assembly supports our brave men and women of the armed forces and their sacrifice and commitment to duty; and"

- Page 1, line 9, replace "That" with "**BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED**, that" and after "to" insert "continue to"
- Page 1, line 10, replace "disengage American combat forces from Iraq duty" with "Afghanistan"
- Page 1, line 12, remove "the President of the United States and to"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- SCR 4023: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends BE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4023 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
- Page 1, line 4, after "that" insert "a board of county commissioners may determine the date that"
- Page 1, line 5, replace "December first" with "any date after November thirtieth, but no later than the first Monday in January"

- Page 1, line 20, after "and" insert "the board of county commissioners of a county may elect to provide that"
- Page 1, line 21, replace "<u>December first</u>" with "<u>any date after November thirtieth, but no later</u> than the first Monday in January"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4024: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends BE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR WITHOUT RECOMMENDATION (4 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4024 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4031: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Urlacher, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4031 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4032: Human Services Committee (Sen. J. Lee, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4032 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SCR 4033: Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Lyson, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SCR 4033 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1022: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1022 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1028: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1028 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1030: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1030 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1031: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (11 YEAS, 1 NAY, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1031 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1032: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (10 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1032 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1054, as engrossed: Human Services Committee (Sen. J. Lee, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1054 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1058: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1058 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1060, as reengrossed: Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Lyson, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS and BE REREFERRED to the Appropriations Committee (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Reengrossed HB 1060 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. Page 1, line 8, remove "; to provide an effective date; to provide an expiration date"

Page 3, remove lines 20 through 31

Page 4, remove lines 1 through 19

Page 6, remove lines 24 through 26

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1066: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (11 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 3 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1066 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1071: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Urlacher, Chairman) recommends DO PASS and BE REREFERRED to the Appropriations Committee (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1071 was rereferred to the Appropriations Committee.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1074, as engrossed: Finance and Taxation Committee (Sen. Urlacher, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1074 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1096, as engrossed: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1096 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1097: Judiciary Committee (Sen. Nething, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1097 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1103: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (4 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1103 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1117: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1117 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1142: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1142 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1143: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1143 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- HB 1149: Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Lyson, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1149 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
- Page 1, line 16, replace "twelfth" with "thirteenth"

Page 1, line 23, remove "and there is no fee for a license to"

Page 2, line 1, remove "hunt does during the youth deer hunting season"

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1253: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 1 NAY, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1253 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1265, as engrossed: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1265 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1266: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Cook, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (5 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1266 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1289: Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Lyson, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1289 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1301: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1301 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1302, as engrossed: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 1 NAY, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1302 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1316, as engrossed: Industry, Business and Labor Committee (Sen. Klein, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (4 YEAS, 2 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1316 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

- HB 1379, as engrossed: Government and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Dever, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1379 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.
- Page 1, line 1, replace "subdivision" with "subdivisions" and after "d" insert "and e"
- Page 1, line 4, replace "Subdivision" with "Subdivisions" and after "d" insert "and e"
- Page 1, line 5, replace "is" with "are"
- Page 1, after line 24, insert:
 - "e. Write-in votes which constitute five ten percent or less of the votes cast by the voters for the candidate receiving the most votes for that office, except in the case of a primary election where enough votes were cast as write-in votes to qualify a name for the general election ballot. This percentage is to be calculated based on the total number of write-in votes tabulated by the voting equipment in the precincts of the county in which that office was on the ballot."

Renumber accordingly

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1402, as engrossed: Natural Resources Committee (Sen. Lyson, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (7 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1402 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 16, after the first "licenses" insert ", one elk license, one moose license,"

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FIRST READING OF HOUSE BILLS

HB 1038: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 65-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to workers' compensation additional benefits payable; to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 65-05-07 and sections 65-05-16, 65-05.1-08, and 65-05.2-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to workers' compensation benefits for the catastrophically injured, additional benefits payable, death benefits, supplemental benefits, loans for education; to provide for application; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

- HB 1044: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-51-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to allocation of oil and gas gross production tax revenues; to provide for application; to provide an effective date; and to provide an expiration date.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.
- **HB 1049:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-39.2-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a sales and use tax exemption for sales of natural gas and other fuels for heating purposes; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 57-39.2-02.1, subsection 44 of section 57-39.2-04, and section 57-43.2-02.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a sales and use tax exemption for coal sold for use as heating fuel and a special fuels tax exemption for special fuels sold for use as heating fuel section 57-39.2-03.6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the imposition and rate of sales and use taxes on sales of natural gas; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

HB 1051: A BILL for an Act to create and enact sections 57-15-01.2, 57-15-10.3, and 57-20-07.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to limitations on levies by taxing districts, emergency levy authority of taxing districts, and a state-paid property tax relief credit; to amend and reenact sections 57-02-08.1, 57-20-07.1, 57-20-09, 57-20-21.1, and 57-32-03, subsection 1 of section 57-38-30.3, and section 57-51.1-07.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to contents of property tax statements, income tax rates, priority for delinquent taxes, the homestead property tax credit, the discount for early payment of property taxes, and to provide property tax relief funding from the permanent oil tax trust fund; to provide for a legislative council study; to provide a continuing appropriation for state-paid property tax relief; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

HB 1091: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subdivision to subsection 1 of section 57-38-01.2, a new subdivision to subsection 2 of section 57-38-30.3, and a new subsection to section 57-38-57 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an individual income tax deduction for contributions to the North Dakota higher education savings plan; to amend and reenact section 6-09-38 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to administrative fees of the North Dakota higher education savings plan and tax deductions for contributions to the plan; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

- **HB 1110:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 18-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to reimbursement for responding to emergencies outside the jurisdiction; and to provide an appropriation.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.
- **HB 1121:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 19-10-03.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the retail sale of alternative fuels; and to amend and reenact sections 19-10-01 and 19-10-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to petroleum product definitions and specifications.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.
- **HB 1125:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 43-29.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a loan repayment program for veterinarians; and to provide a continuing appropriation.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.
- **HB 1127:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 49-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to confidentiality of transmission authority information; and to amend and reenact subsection 12 of section 49-24-05, section 49-24-13, subsection 3 of section 54-17.5-04, section 54-17.5-06, and subsection 5 of section 54-44.4-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to powers of the transmission

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee.**

HB 1128: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 54-17.7 and a new section to chapter 57-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the North Dakota pipeline authority, to provide for the planning, constructing, owning, financing, maintaining, operating, and disposing of pipeline facilities and related infrastructure, to authorize issuance of revenue bonds, and a tax exemption for pipeline facilities; to amend and reenact subdivision I of subsection 2 of section 28-32-01, subsection 5 of section 54-44.4-02, subsection 2 of section 54-60.1-01, and section 57-51.1-07.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to Administrative Agencies Practice Act exemption for the pipeline authority; and procurement, business incentive exception, and deposits to the oil and gas research fund; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.

HB 1129: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to electronic birth, marriage, fetal death, and death records and electronic filing and registration for birth, fetal death, and death records; to amend and reenact sections 23-02.1-01, 23-02.1-05, 23-02.1-08, 23-02.1-11, 23-02.1-12, 23-02.1-13, 23-02.1-14, 23-02.1-15, and 23-02.1-16, subsection 1 of section 23-02.1-17, sections 23-02.1-18, 23-02.1-19, and 23-02.1-20, subsection 2 of section 23-02.1-21, section 23-02.1-22, subsection 2 of section 23-02.1-23, sections 23-02.1-25, 23-02.1-26, 23-02.1-27, 23-02.1-28, 23-02.1-29, and 23-02.1-30, subsection 1 of section 23-02.1-32, and sections 23-06-07, 23-06-08, 23-06-09, and 23-06-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to birth, marriage, and death records; to repeal sections 23-02.1-06, 23-02.1-07, 23-02.1-09, and 23-02.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to registration districts and local registrars; to provide a penalty; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1130: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 24-02-26.1 and 24-02-28 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to highway construction arbitration.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

- HB 1138: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-43.1 and a new section to chapter 57-43.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to motor vehicle excise tax and special fuels tax refunds for fuels purchased by emergency medical services operations; and to provide an effective date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.
- HB 1140: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 65-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a workers' compensation inflationary adjustment for injured employees with long-term temporary partial disabilities; and to provide for application.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.
- HB 1146: A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative council study of the severance of hunting access from the surface estate.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

HB 1160: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 57-40.3-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a motor vehicle excise tax exemption for ambulances purchased by emergency medical services operations; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

HB 1161: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 23-27-01, 23-27-02, 23-27-03, and 23-27-04, subsections 2 and 3 of section 23-27-04.1, and sections 23-27-04.2 and 23-27-04.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regulation of emergency medical services operations and emergency medical services personnel.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1162: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a state health council study of emergency medical services, county reporting of emergency medical services coverage, and use of property tax levies for emergency medical services; to amend and reenact section 14-10-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to consent for a minor to receive emergency medical care; and to provide for a report to the legislative council.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

 HB 1164: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 4-14.2-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to membership of the northern crop council.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

HB 1166: A BILL for an Act to provide for a portion of a paved four-lane highway for United States highway 52.

Was read the first time and referred to the Transportation Committee.

HB 1169: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15.1-02-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to qualifications of the superintendent of public instruction. Was read the first time and referred to the **Education Committee.**

HB 1171: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-04-23 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to service fee payments to counties by the board of university and school lands.

Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.

HB 1195: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-03-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to use of identification numbers on game and fish licenses and permits; to provide an agency directive; and to provide a contingent effective date.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

 HB 1197: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 31-13-03 and 31-13-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to collection and testing of DNA samples for law enforcement identification purposes; and to provide a contingent effective date.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 1200: A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new subsections to section 20.1-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the power of the director of the game and fish department and a private land open to sportsmen program for youth and a youth hunting grant program; to amend and reenact section 20.1-02-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a youth program coordinator position within the game and fish department; to provide for a study; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

HB 1218: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-09-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to qualifications of electricians.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Political Subdivisions Committee**.

HB 1221: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 49-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to public utility rate adjustments for recovery of costs resulting from federal environmental mandates on existing electricity generating stations.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

HB 1233: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-38-01.8 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to assignment of a wind energy device installation tax credit as part of a power purchase agreement; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

HB 1241: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 10-19.1-00.1, a new section to chapter 10-19.1, a new subsection to section 10-19.1-48, sections 10-19.1-74.1 and 10-19.1-139.1, a new section to chapter 10-32, section 10-32-42.1, a new subsection to section 10-32-85, section 10-33-01.3, a new subsection to section 10-33-44, and sections 10-33-72.1, 10-34-02.1, 45-10.2-06.1, and 45-13-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to business corporations, limited liability companies, nonprofit corporations, real estate investment trusts, limited partnerships, and partnerships; and to amend and reenact sections 10-19.1-01, 10-19.1-01.2, 10-19.1-10, 10-19.1-13, and 10-19.1-23, subsection 2 of section 10-19.1-39, section 10-19.1-41, subsection 3 of section 10-19.1-61, section 10-19.1-63, subsection 1 of section 10-19.1-65, subsection 6 of section 10-19.1-66, section 10-19.1-69, subsection 1 of section 10-19.1-75, subsection 1 of section 10-19.1-76.1, subsection 2 of section 10-19.1-84, section 10-19.1-87, subsection 1 of section 10-19.1-93, sections 10-19.1-96, 10-19.1-97, and 10-19.1-98, subsection 1 of section 10-19.1-99, section 10-19.1-100, subsection 1 of section 10-19.1-100.1, section 10-19.1-101, subsection 2 of section 10-19.1-102, sections 10-19.1-102.1, 10-19.1-103, and 10-19.1-104, subsection 2 of section 10-19.1-104.1, subsection 1 of section 10-19.1-110, sections 10-19.1-146, 10-19.1-147, 10-32-02, 10-32-07, 10-32-10, and 10-32-27, subsection 1 of section 10-32-37, section 10-32-43, subsection 1 of section 10-32-76, subsection 2 of section 10-32-94, section 10-32-100, subsection 1 of section 10-32-101, section 10-32-102, subsection 1 of section 10-32-103, sections 10-32-104 and 10-32-105, subsections 2 and 3 of section 10-32-106, sections 10-32-106.1 and 10-32-107, subsection 4 of section 10-32-108, sections 10-33-01, 10-33-06, 10-33-10, 10-33-34, and 10-33-73, subsection 40 of section 45-10.2-02, subsection 1 of section 45-10.2-27, section 45-10.2-81, subsection 26 of section 45-13-01, subsection 6 of section 45-13-05, subsection 24 of section 45-22-01, subsection 2 of section 45-22-22, and subsection 24 of section 45-23-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to business corporations, limited liability partnerships, and limited liability limited partnerships.

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

- **HB 1243:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 16.1-10-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to publication of false information in political advertisements; and to provide a penalty.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.

HB 1246: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to dental medical assistance reimbursement; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an expiration date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1249: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-10-38 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to loan forgiveness for teachers.

Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

- **HB 1267:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to valuation of residential and commercial property by the state board of equalization.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.
- **HB 1273:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new chapter to title 6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the creation of a medical provider partnership in assisting community expansion fund loan program; to provide a transfer; and to provide an appropriation.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- **HB 1279:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 57-51-01 and 57-51-02.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to eliminating the expiration date of the shallow gas gross production tax exemption; and to provide an effective date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.
- **HB 1296:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 23-40 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to distribution of insurance premiums tax collections to emergency medical services operations; to amend and reenact section 18-04-04.1 and subsection 1 of section 26.1-03-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the insurance premiums tax collections; to provide for a report; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

HB 1297: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 16.1-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to campaign contributions to legislative candidates by certain persons.

Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.

HB 1299: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-15-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to postgraduate medical residency training program pharmacies; and to provide for a legislative council study.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1309: A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for libraries that did not receive certain state aid payments.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Appropriations Committee.**

HB 1315: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 49-22 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to electrical generation and transmission safety.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

HB 1317: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact the new section to chapter 57-06 of the North Dakota Century Code as created by section 2 of House Bill No. 1072, as approved by the sixtieth legislative assembly, relating to centrally assessed wind turbine electric generators; and to provide an effective date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

- HB 1320: A BILL for an Act to create and enact four new sections to chapter 15.1-37 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the establishment of a prekindergarten program; to amend and reenact section 15.1-37-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the approval of early childhood education programs; and to provide an appropriation.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.
- **HB 1321:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 40-47-01.1, 40-47-06, and 40-48-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to extraterritorial zoning jurisdiction of cities; to provide for a legislative council study; to provide for application; and to provide an expiration date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.
- **HB 1322:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 32-12.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to indemnification and insurance provisions in state contracts.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
- **HB 1331:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 61-16.1-51 and 61-21-43.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to obstructions to drains.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee.**

HB 1340: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 10-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to publicly traded corporations; and to amend and reenact section 54-09-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the secretary of state's general services operating fund.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

- **HB 1344:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to section lines.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.
- **HB 1357:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-27.2-04.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the penalty for possession of materials that include sexual conduct by a minor; and to provide a penalty.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
- **HB 1358:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 12.1-31-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to limitation of sales of cigarettes or other tobacco products through vending machines; to amend and reenact section 12.1-31-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to sales to and use by minors of tobacco products; and to provide a penalty.

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 1365: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 57-39.2-04.2 and 57-40.2-04.2, subsections 3 and 11 of section 57-60-01, subsections 2, 3, and 5 of section 57-60-02, sections 57-60-06 and 57-60-07, and subsection 1 of section 57-60-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of power plant, repowering, and coal conversion facility for sales, use, and privilege tax purposes, the imposition of taxes on coal conversion facilities, the powers of the tax commissioner, and allocation of revenue from coal conversion facilities; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

HB 1381: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 11-10-05, 11-13-01, and 11-14-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to term commencement for county officers. Was read the first time and referred to the **Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.**

HB 1384: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 36-09-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the brands placed on horses.

Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

HB 1394: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 23-15-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the sale of fireworks.

Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.

Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

 HB 1400: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-06.2-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to commercial driver's license exemptions.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Transportation Committee.

HB 1404: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to creating a legislative council medical assistance committee; to provide a continuing appropriation; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an expiration date.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1411: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 65-05-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to workers' compensation benefits for modification of real estate and vehicles; to provide for application; and to declare an emergency.

Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

HB 1414: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 14-05-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the division of property in a divorce proceeding.Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

- HB 1420: A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 11-33-02.1, a new section to chapter 11-33, section 58-03-11.1, and a new section to chapter 58-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regulations by a board of county commissioners and by a board of township supervisors; and to amend and reenact section 11-33-02, subdivision c of subsection 2 of section 23-25-11, and section 58-03-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the designation of districts by a board of county commissioners and to the establishment of districts by a board of township supervisors.
- **HB 1421:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact two new sections to chapter 36-21.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to agricultural and game and fish activities; and to amend and reenact sections 36-21.1-01 and 36-21.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the humane treatment of animals.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.
- **HB 1423:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 39-29-10 and 39-29-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to youth operation of off-highway vehicles; and to provide a penalty.
- Was read the first time and referred to the **Transportation Committee**.

HB 1425: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 37-15-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the veterans' home operating fund expenditures.

Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.

- **HB 1431:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 19-02.1-14.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to restricting pharmacists from dispensing substitute epilepsy drugs.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- HB 1432: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-52.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to health treatment management services for state employees and their families; and to provide a continuing appropriation.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- **HB 1433:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-52.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to diabetes treatment management services for state employees and their families.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- **HB 1434:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a state department of health viral hepatitis education and vaccination program; and to provide an appropriation.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- **HB 1435:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 23-07-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to child immunizations; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1439: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsections 1 and 4 of section 54-17.6-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the membership of the oil and gas research council.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

- **HB 1445:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-29 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to equipment of registered off-highway vehicles; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 39-29-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the operation of off-highway vehicles.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Transportation Committee.
- **HB 1450:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-01-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to refunds by retailers of home rule sales and use taxes; and to provide an effective date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

 HB 1451: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the sale of beverages on school property.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

HB 1455: A BILL for an Act to create and enact chapter 43-15.3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the pedigree for wholesale drugs; and to amend and reenact section 12-60-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to criminal history record checks.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

HB 1456: A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative council study of wind farm siting. Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee.**

- **HB 1457:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 57-51.1-07.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the balance of the permanent oil tax trust fund and to provide an effective date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.
- **HB 1458:** A BILL for an Act to establish a hydrogen goal; to create and enact a new subsection to section 54-60-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duties of the commissioner of commerce; to provide for a report to the legislative council; and to provide an appropriation.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.
- **HB 1460:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 65-02-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the workforce safety and insurance board membership; to provide for application and transition; to provide an effective date; and to provide an expiration date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.
- **HB 1462:** A BILL for an Act to provide a sales and use tax exemption for materials used in the compression, processing, gathering, and refining of gas and materials used in the construction or expansion of a refinery; to create and enact section 17-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a comprehensive energy policy for the state and the 25x'25 initiative; to amend and reenact section 54-35-18 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the electric industry competition committee; to authorize the legislative council to make certain statutory revisions; to provide for a department of commerce study; and to provide for a report to the legislative council.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

HB 1463: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 50-24.1-02.6 and section 50-29-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to medical assistance eligibility for minors and eligibility under the state children's health insurance program.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1469: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-01-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to blocking established roads or trails for hunting purposes. Was read the first time and referred to the **Natural Resources Committee.**

HB 1471: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state department of health programs to educate about the human papilloma virus; and to provide an appropriation.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

- HB 1472: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-20, a new subsection to section 12.1-20-05, and a new subsection to section 12.1-20-12.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the presence near schools of certain sexual offenders; to amend and reenact subsection 14 of section 12.1-32-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to liability of school officials; and to provide a penalty. Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- HB 1474: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 57-15, a new subsection to section 57-15-06.7, and a new subsection to section 57-15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a county or city property tax levy for support of services of nonprofit organizations eligible for grants from the domestic violence and sexual assault prevention fund; and to provide an effective date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.
- HB 1476: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 40-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to golf carts on city streets.

Was read the first time and referred to the Transportation Committee.

HB 1477: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to prohibited acts regarding the practice of barbering. Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HB 1479: A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative council study of agency exemptions from the Administrative Agencies Practice Act.

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

- HB 1483: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 54-44.4-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to procurement of environmentally preferable products; to provide an effective date; and to declare an emergency.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.
- HB 1486: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 54-52.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to participation by members of the legislative assembly in the uniform group insurance program.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.
- HB 1487: A BILL for an Act to create a low-interest student loan program; to amend and reenact section 15-62.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to rates of interest for student loans; to provide a transfer; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to declare an emergency.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.
- HB 1491: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to electronic course delivery; to provide for a legislative council report; and to provide an effective date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Education Committee.

HB 1492: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 10-06.1-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a penalty for violation of the corporate farming provisions. Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

- HB 1495: A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 54-27-19 and 57-40.3-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to allocation of motor vehicle excise tax revenues to the highway tax distribution fund and the use of funds by counties and cities to implement the strategic transportation plan; and to provide an effective date.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Appropriations Committee.
- HB 1499: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 16.1-08.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to campaign finance reporting; and to amend and reenact subsection 8 of section 16.1-08.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of a political committee.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.
- **HB 1501:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 28-32-50 and a new section to chapter 61-28 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to appeals regarding permits for livestock feedlots and other permitted facilities. Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

HB 1504: A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12-63 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to tribal police officers; and to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 12-63-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of peace officer for purposes of the peace officer standards and training board.

Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.

- **HB 1505:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the regulation of tattooing, body piercing, branding, subdermal implants, and scarification.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- HB 1506: A BILL for an Act to establish a state renewable and recycled energy objective; to create and enact six new sections to chapter 49-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to renewable and recycled energy; and to amend and reenact sections 49-02-25 and 49-02-26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to electricity produced from hydroelectric sources as renewable electricity and recycled energy.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.
- **HB 1507:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-04 and a new section to chapter 51-27 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to exempting electronic mail addresses and telephone numbers from open records requirements and to computer and internet fraud; to amend and reenact section 51-27-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to definitions; and to provide a penalty.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
- **HB 1511:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subdivision to subsection 1 of section 38-08-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to bonding requirements for idle oil and gas wells.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.
- **HB 1515:** A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-02 and a new section to chapter 54-17 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to establishment of a private land open to sportsmen biomass demonstration project and the duty of the industrial commission to establish a biomass incentive and research program; and to provide an appropriation.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.
- **HB 1517:** A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 65-05-32 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to release of information by workforce safety and insurance; and to provide a penalty.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.

FIRST READING OF HOUSE CONCURRENT RESOLUTIONS

- **HCR 3004:** A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study issues relating to child custody, visitation, and child support in this state, including issues of fairness and equity as they relate to the issuance and enforcement of child custody, visitation, and child support orders and whether the state should pursue nonadversarial alternatives for the resolution of family law disputes.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- **HCR 3007:** A concurrent resolution urging Congress to require a nationwide referendum of beef producers before allowing an increase in the beef checkoff rate.
- Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee.**
- **HCR 3010:** A concurrent resolution urging Congress to implement country of origin labeling for all meat products.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.
- **HCR 3022:** A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the availability and future need for dementia-related services, as well as funding for programs for individuals with dementias.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.
- **HCR 3023:** A concurrent resolution urging the President of the United States and Congress to open the coastal plain of the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge to oil and gas exploration and development.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

HCR 3024: A concurrent resolution in support of the efforts of the Congressional Delegation, the Governor's Task Force on Military in North Dakota, the Grand Forks Council on Military Relations, the Minot Task Force 21, and the Fargo-Moorhead (F-M) Air National Guard Support Group to maintain and enhance military force structure and missions in this state and support of state and local officials in their efforts to keep this state a first-class place for members of the armed forces to live and work.

Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.

- **HCR 3025:** A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study possible methods of growing North Dakota's population and increasing the available workforce in the state.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Industry, Business and Labor Committee.
- **HCR 3026:** A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of establishing legislation for the enforcement and assessment of civil penalties for violation of the one-call excavation notice system.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Judiciary Committee.
- **HCR 3028:** A concurrent resolution urging Congress to recognize the multiple benefits of industrial hemp and to facilitate the growing of industrial hemp and the expansion of industries reliant on industrial hemp-based products.

Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

- **HCR 3032:** A concurrent resolution acknowledging the actions of the 44th Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and the sponsors of Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4007 affirming the equal application of the United States Constitution to all citizens through the passage of the Equal Rights Amendment; declaring Friday, March 9, 2007, North Dakota Equal Rights Amendment Recognition Day; and encouraging a recommitment to the ratification of the Equal Rights Amendment in all states and final passage in Congress.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.
- **HCR 3033:** A concurrent resolution urging Congress not to allow the importation of Canadian cattle over 30 months of age.

Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

HCR 3034: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the feasibility and desirability of eliminating refunds from the potato assessment law.

Was read the first time and referred to the **Agriculture Committee**.

HCR 3035: A concurrent resolution proclaiming February 12, 2008, through February 12, 2010, the official observance of the bicentennial of Abraham Lincoln's birth.

Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.

HCR 3036: A concurrent resolution urging Congress and the President of the United States to enact federal legislation to deny unintended tax benefits to foreign subsidiaries of United States companies which are set up in tax haven countries.

Was read the first time and referred to the Finance and Taxation Committee.

HCR 3037: A concurrent resolution urging Congress to decouple federal mineral royalty revenue payments from states to counties when calculating PILT payments.
 Was read the first time and referred to the Political Subdivisions Committee.

HCR 3038: A concurrent resolution supporting the efforts of the President of the United States, the North Dakota Congressional Delegation, North Dakota Insurance Commissioner Jim Poolman, North Dakota Attorney General Wayne Stenehjem, and United States Attorney Drew Wrigley to make prescription drugs safer and more affordable and urging Congress to take the necessary actions to study the lifesaving value, affordability, accessibility, and efficacy of prescription drugs for all Americans.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HCR 3039: A concurrent resolution urging the United States Secretary of Commerce to complete a Taiwan-United States free trade agreement.

Was read the first time and referred to the Government and Veterans Affairs Committee.

- **HCR 3041:** A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study the trends and correlations of property tax revenue in relation to funding human service delivery in individual counties.
- Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HCR 3042: A concurrent resolution urging Congress to direct the United States Drug Enforcement Administration to differentiate between industrial hemp and marijuana.Was read the first time and referred to the Agriculture Committee.

HCR 3043: A concurrent resolution proclaiming January 29, 2007, as American Cancer Society Awareness Day.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

HCR 3044: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study how the state might pursue additional uses of Lake Sakakawea and Missouri River waters for such beneficial purposes as domestic and industrial uses, recreation, fish and wildlife, and irrigation, and how the state, to enhance its use of the lake and river, might promote congressional review of the 1944 Flood Control Act and a reexamination by the Corps of Engineers of the way in which it manages the Missouri River system.

Was read the first time and referred to the Natural Resources Committee.

HCR 3046: A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Council to study ways in which various public and private entities can cooperate to promote healthy lifestyles for children and create awareness about the interplay of healthy lifestyle choices and educational success.

Was read the first time and referred to the Human Services Committee.

The Senate stood adjourned pursuant to Senator Christmann's motion.

William R. Horton, Secretary