## Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015

HOUSE BILL NO. 1456 (Representatives Brandenburg, Kretschmar, Rohr, Schmidt) (Senators Erbele, Schaible)

AN ACT to create and enact section 54-01-29.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the encouragement of federal legislation to return lands and mineral rights to the state.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

**SECTION 1.** Section 54-01-29.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

## 54-01-29.1. Federal legislation encouraged to return lands and mineral rights to the state of North Dakota.

Uplands of the Oahe Reservoir in Emmons and Morton Counties in North Dakota above the elevation of 1,620 feet [493.78 meters] are defined as excess lands to the operation of the Oahe Dam. The North Dakota legislative assembly encourages Congress to pass federal legislation to return those lands and mineral rights to the state of North Dakota and the North Dakota legislative assembly encourages the governor of North Dakota to work with the North Dakota congressional delegation and Congress to secure enactment of necessary federal legislation.

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|                                  | Speaker of the House |                   |          | President of the Senate                          |          |
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|                                  | Chief C              | lerk of the House |          | Secretary of the Senate                          |          |
|                                  |                      |                   |          | entatives of the Sixty-<br>ody as House Bill No. |          |
| House Vote:                      | Yeas 91              | Nays 1            | Absent 2 |  |          |
| Senate Vote:                     | Yeas 40              | Nays 7            | Absent 0 |  |          |
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