

HOUSE BILL NO. 1367

Introduced by

Representatives Dobervich, D. Anderson, Damschen, Fegley, Vigesaa, Westlind

Senators Bakke, Heckaman, Kannianen, Robinson

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study of railroad crossings.

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

3 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - RAILROAD CROSSINGS.** During
4 the 2019-20 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying railroad crossings to
5 determine whether adequate safety measures exist to prevent collisions between trains and
6 motor vehicles. The study must include:

- 7 1. Consultation with the department of transportation, highway patrol, and associations
8 and organizations representing counties, cities, townships, and the agricultural
9 community;
- 10 2. The design and safety of railroad crossings and the feasibility of implementing design
11 changes to increase safety and to reduce the likelihood of obstructions at the
12 crossings, and consideration of the adequacy of traffic and pedestrian warning signals;
- 13 3. The availability of federal funding for railroad crossing improvement projects;
- 14 4. The feasibility of equipping trains with technology to increase safety; and
- 15 5. Data on railroad crossing accidents and incidents that have occurred within the state
16 on an annual basis over the past five years.

17 The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with
18 any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-seventh legislative
19 assembly.