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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1432

Introduced by

Representatives Richter, Dockter, Kempenich, Longmuir, Zubke

Senators Bekkedahl, Kannianen, Patten

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 24-05-04 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to purchasing road machinery.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 24-05-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is
 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 24-05-04. Contracts to be advertised - Road construction - Requirements for rental 7 contracts.

- 8 1. If a contract for a highway improvement exceeds one hundred thousand dollars, the 9 board of county commissioners shall seek bids by publishing an advertisement at least 10 once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official newspaper of the county and 11 in other newspapers as the board deems advisable. The first publication must be 12 made at least fifteen days before the day set for the opening of the bids. For any 13 contract for a highway improvement that exceeds fifty thousand dollars but does not 14 exceed one hundred thousand dollars, the county, when possible, shall seek quotes 15 from at least two contractors.
- 16 2. AExcept as provided in section 54-44.1-13, a purchase of county road machinery and 17 any rental contract or agreement for the use of road machinery and other articles, 18 except necessary repairs for road machinery, which exceeds the sum of fiftyone. 19 hundred thousand dollars must be advertised by publishing an advertisement for bids 20 at least once each week for two consecutive weeks in the official newspaper of the 21 county and in any other newspapers as the board deems advisable. The first 22 publication must be made at least fifteen days before the day set for the opening of 23 the bids. The board of county commissioners may not enter a rental contract or 24 agreement for the use of road machinery and other articles for a longer period than

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1		twelve months from the date of the rental contract or agree to pay rental for the use of
2		road machinery and other articles which would result in the lessor receiving rental at a
3		rate in excess of twenty percent per year of the cash sale price of the road machinery
4		or other articles. The cash sale price of the road machinery and other articles must be
5		clearly set forth in any rental contract for road machinery and other articles and failure
6		to include this data in any rental contract for the use of road machinery and other
7		articles renders the rental contract void. A payment made under a void rental contract
8		is recoverable from the county commissioners making the contract, jointly and
9		severally.
10	3.	Notwithstanding the provisions of this section relating to the duration of rental
11		contracts, the board of county commissioners may enter lease-purchase agreements
12		for the road machinery and articles covered by this section if those agreements
13		provide for the complete performance and full payment of the purchase price of the
14		machinery or articles within seven years from the date of the execution of the
15		lease-purchase agreement according to section 44-08-01.1.
16	4.	Notwithstanding the provisions of this section relating to bidding of road machinery, the
17		board of county commissioners or its designee may purchase used road machinery at
18		public auction or as surplus property from the office of management and budget.
19	<u>5.</u>	Bids received under this section must be opened and awarded under the procedure
20		provided in section 48-01.2-07.