

SENATE BILL NO. 2120

Introduced by

Senators Myrdal, Kreun

Representative Monson

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 61-16-07 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the number of board members for water resource districts encompassing one county.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 61-16-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **61-16-07. Water resource board - Appointment and number.**

7 When a water resource district has been created, and the state water commission has filed
8 notice with the county auditor of a county where the district or a part ~~thereof~~ of the district is
9 situated, a water resource board ~~shall~~ must be appointed within ninety days, ~~as provided herein.~~
10 If the district's boundaries are confined to one county, the board of county commissioners shall
11 appoint a water resource board consisting of ~~three or five~~ an odd number of managers not to
12 exceed seven. When a district includes two counties, the water resource board ~~shall~~ must
13 consist of five managers, three appointed by the board of county commissioners of the county
14 ~~having~~ with the larger aggregate taxable valuation of property, and two appointed by the board of
15 county commissioners of the other county. If a district includes three counties, the water
16 resource board ~~shall~~ must consist of five managers, one appointed by the board of county
17 commissioners ~~having~~ with the lowest aggregate taxable valuation of property in the district, and
18 two appointed by the board of county commissioners of each of the other two counties. If a
19 district includes four or six counties, the water resource board ~~shall~~ must consist of two
20 members from the county ~~having~~ with the largest aggregate taxable valuation of property in the
21 district, and one manager from each of the other counties. If a district includes five or seven
22 counties, the water resource board ~~shall~~ must consist of one manager from each county.
23 Appointments to the water resource board ~~shall~~ must be made by the boards of county
24 commissioners of the respective counties.