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of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2112

Introduced by

Transportation Committee

(At the request of the Department of Transportation)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-02-03 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to department of transportation branch office duties.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-02-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **39-02-03. Powers and duties of director and department.**

7 The director may adopt and enforce such administrative rules ~~and~~, designate such
8 agencies, and establish such branch offices, including contracted branch offices, as may be
9 necessary to carry out the motor vehicle and driver's license laws applicable to the director's
10 office and department. The director shall provide suitable ~~forms for applications, registration-~~
11 ~~cards, license number plates, and all other~~ motor vehicle and driver's license forms and
12 equipment requisite for the operation of the director's office and department, and shall prepay
13 all transportation charges thereon. Branch office contracts entered under this section may
14 extend five years and may be renewed in accordance with this section. At least one year before
15 the end of each branch office contract term, the department shall consider entering contracts
16 with new branch office vendors. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director may
17 enter direct negotiations and contract with qualified vendors to provide branch office services.
18 The director may provide for a maximum fee schedule for the various services provided by the
19 branch offices, not to exceed ten dollars for each service provided. Any branch office may
20 establish a different fee schedule if the schedule does not contain a fee that exceeds a
21 maximum fee established by the director and is approved by the director. All branch office
22 managers must be bonded. The department may lease or provide office space or other costs as
23 necessary to independent motor vehicle branch managers. All rents collected under this section

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- 1 must be deposited in the state highway fund. The department and the officers thereof shall
- 2 enforce the provisions of all laws pertaining to the director and the department.