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Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2364

Introduced by

Senators Klein, Luick, Sorvaag

Representatives Nelson, Weisz

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 61-24 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the Garrison Diversion Conservancy District and permanent
- 3 easements.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 61-24 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 7 Permanent easements Limitations.
- 8 The district's use of the permanent easement property is restricted solely to the
- 9 construction, operation, and maintenance of water pipelines facilities authorized by law. The
- district may not rent, sell, or assign the rights to a permanent easement, except may reserve the
- 11 right to assign the permanent easement to the state of North Dakota if necessary for the
- 12 operation and maintenance of a public water pipeline. If the district ceases operation, all
- 13 permanent easements must be transferred to the public water system receiving a beneficial use
- 14 <u>from the water pipelines and other facilities. If no public water system exists, all permanent</u>
- 15 <u>easements must transfer to the state. The state or public water system shall assume full</u>
- 16 responsibility for all easement activities and responsibilities, including any environmental
- 17 remediation obligations.