Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1262**

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Representative M. Nelson

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a study of the regulation of workforce safety and insurance and
- 2 a report to the legislative management.

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

## 4 SECTION 1. REGULATION OF WORKFORCE SAFETY AND INSURANCE - STUDY -

## REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT.

- During the 2017-18 interim, the insurance commissioner and the director of workforce safety and insurance shall study, evaluate, and develop a plan for transferring the regulation of the operation of workforce safety and insurance to the insurance department. The insurance commissioner and the director of workforce safety and insurance may contract with a third party to perform the evaluation and assist in the development of an implementation plan.
- 2. The plan and evaluation must include a cost-benefit analysis of the insurance commissioner regulating workforce safety and insurance, and must address the feasibility and desirability of treating workforce safety and insurance as an insurance company under the supervision and regulation of the insurance commissioner and the appropriate level of jurisdiction of the insurance commissioner with respect to oversight and appeals of workers' compensation claims and benefits.
- Before June 1, 2018, the insurance commissioner and the director of workforce safety and insurance shall present the findings, proposed plan, and any legislative changes necessary to implement that plan to an interim committee designated by the legislative management.