



Legislative Update February 19, 2021

SECTION 1: GENERAL

Rolling blackouts this week across at least fourteen states including North Dakota through Texas brought me back to the rolling brownouts and blackouts of 2001 when I worked in the energy and utility industries. While many of these new circumstances are different than what occurred 20 years ago, some are not. I hope that policymakers at the state and especially federal level don't forget that we will continue to see unpredictable widespread demand spikes in the future just as we experienced this week. The supply side of the equation is what I worry about more. I subscribe to an "all of the above" policy when it comes to energy supply. Renewables certainly have their place, but I'm hopeful that times like this remind us that coal and natural gas fired baseload generation cannot be forsaken in the process. The stakes for North Dakota and end users (our state exports over half of the electricity it produces) across our country are huge.

Now to the Legislative Update. We're nearing the halfway mark of the session with Crossover for bills a week from today. Legislators will finish up their work Thursday and then recess until Wednesday, March 3. Floor sessions will consume legislators' time before break. You will see below that there are no hearings scheduled next week for any ICBND-tracked bills. The House naturally has the largest backlog and Majority Leader Pollert reported yesterday that they will meet nearly all day on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of next week into the evening hours. Adjournment Thursday afternoon or evening is the prize. Patience often gets tested during these days as legislators practice their debate skills against a ticking-clock backdrop. In fact, the first bill (a gun bill) addressed on the 11th order this afternoon involved nearly an hour of debate alone. Might be some good stuff to report next week.

I reported early in the session that bonding was going to be a topic of significant discussion and the surviving bonding bill landed on the House Floor today. If you recall, multiple bonding bills ranging from about \$1 billion to over \$2 billion have been floated around the halls. The House today addressed House Bill 1431 which is the pared back bonding bill that survived House Appropriations. It's a \$680 million bonding bill with \$435 million going to the Fargo Diversion, nearly \$75 million for the Mouse River fixes (Minot primarily) and the remainder to other infrastructure. It passed the House 74-17 this afternoon. It will certainly end up in Conference Committee near the end of the session as the Senate has stated they intend to add back at least some of the line items that were cut.

It's always more fun to talk about wins rather than losses. And thus far this session the wins for ICBND and community banking in general far outweigh the losses. Yesterday morning, however, was a rough one. House Bill 1366 was brought before the House Transportation Committee by the auto and implement dealers seeking changes to the state's Repairman's Lien statute. Specifically, it sought a nonjudicial process for exercising foreclosure of lien rights along with additional cost recovery for transportation and storage costs for the repairman. As I reported last week, the financial services coalition including ICBND, NDBA, Credit Unions and Farm Credit testified in opposition to the bill.

Recognizing that we were probably in trouble with the Committee (believe me...you can tell), we worked extensively and cooperatively with proponents of the bill including a meeting late Wednesday afternoon

with all parties and the Committee Chairman. On behalf of the coalition, I introduced a new set of amendments in oral testimony yesterday morning before the Committee that allowed repairmen a nonjudicial foreclosure option through Article 9 of the Uniform Commercial Code. All parties agreed on those points. We did not agree to the storage fee demands and each group offered an amendment to address those.

In the end, the amenable amendments allowing a nonjudicial foreclosure were approved by the committee. A second amendment was adopted by the committee that allowed for storage fees but only after a 15-day period following notification to the property owner that the repairs were completed. We didn't love this outcome, but it wasn't horrible. Unfortunately, it did not end there. At the last minute, Representative Robin Weisz introduced a third amendment increasing the priority lien threshold from \$4000 to \$6000 for titled vehicles and from \$9000 to \$15,000 for construction or ag equipment. We were blindsided and not given an opportunity to comment. A couple minutes later, the Committee gave the thrice-amended bill a unanimous "Do Pass". Politics can be a little seedy sometimes. This was a pretty classless move by the proponents in my opinion. I recall there's a saying about karma. We live to fight another day in the Senate and are working those angles.

SECTION 2: OTHER BILL UPDATES FROM ICBND "PRIORITY" TRACKING LIST

HB 1268 – sought to create a Fintech "Sandbox" in the state seeking alternative regulatory mechanisms to facilitate the development or testing of innovative financial technology solutions. Existing regulatory requirements are adjusted to provide companies an opportunity to offer and test new products and services in a live environment, for a trial period, with an alternative approval process. As I reported last week it received a 12-1-1 "Do Not Pass" recommendation from the Committee and ultimately met its demise on the House Floor Wednesday by a vote of 36-56-2.

HB 1339 – originally sought to remove several items from the definition of "dangerous weapon" including machetes, swords, crossbows, spears, BB guns, air rifles, and CO2 guns to name a few. ICBND did not take a position on the bill but we have been monitoring it. I personally have seen some air and CO2 rifles that are, at least from a distance, hard to differentiate from higher caliber rifles. Early this week, the bill was neutered as it was turned into a "shall consider" study focusing on the definitions of "dangerous weapon" and "public gathering". The House Judiciary Committee gave the amended bill a 12-1-1 "Do Pass" recommendation. It will obviously be addressed by the full House before Thursday.

HB 1341 – sought to increase the state's minimum starting at \$9 per hour in 2021 increasing to \$15 in 2027. We monitored this bill but given the Republican super majority in the House, we did not expect it to get far. As expected, it died on the House Floor Tuesday by a vote of 12-82.

HB 1376 – is Representative Jim Kasper's bill providing employers liability protection from Covid-related claims. It is a less complex (and less comprehensive) bill than HB 1175 for which ICBND has advocated. You will recall that HB 1175 passed the House 77-17 a couple weeks ago. Similarly, this bill passed the full House Wednesday by a vote of 80-14. We will continue to support HB 1175 as our preferred alternative, but we didn't get in the way of this bill. It's probably not a bad thing to have two of them on their way to the Senate. Likely only one will survive but it's critical that one survives, preferably HB 1175.

HB 1439 – stated that an employee of a nonprofit organization providing legal services to low-income and elderly residents of the state may perform notarial acts under this chapter for clients of the organization who are remotely located without making an audiovisual recording of the performance of the notarial act or the signing of the record to be notarized. We opposed the bill as it was just too ambiguous (plus an unnecessary exemption in our opinion) and we envisioned potential problems with chain of title especially related to real property transactions. The bill was defeated 20-74 on the House Floor yesterday.

HB 1441 – Relates to a paid family medical leave program and an income tax credit for contributions paid into the paid family medical leave fund on behalf of eligible employees. The primary bill sponsor is Representative Karla Rose Hanson. It is a bad bill for employers (in my opinion) and ICBND opposes the bill as does the general business lobby. The measure was turned into a “shall consider” study recommendation to legislative management. If legislative management accepts the study, it is to be narrowly focused on the financial aspects of such a plan. The bill passed 75-18 on the House Floor Thursday.

HB 1499 – states that the state may not issue bonds without first being authorized to do so by a vote of two-thirds of the qualified electors of the state. Obviously, passage of such a measure would cripple the activities of the North Dakota Housing Finance Agency which issues bonds as the funding vehicle to carry out its mission. I testified in opposition to the bill in the House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee specifically as it relates to the ND Housing Finance Agency. The bill was killed on the House floor Monday by a vote of 9-84-1.

HCR 3024 – as drafted was a concurrent resolution directing legislative management to consider studying the feasibility and desirability of regulating special purpose depository institutions, also referred to as SPDIs. SPDIs institutions are banks that receive deposits and conduct other incidental activities including fiduciary management, custody and related activities. SPDIs seem to be heavily focused on digital assets. This resolution was amended this week to more broadly consider studying regulating other entities engaged in virtual currency business activities. Those amendments were approved on the House Floor yesterday and placed on the consent calendar. I suspect (and hope) this study will be chosen by legislative management and ICBND will be heavily involved as will others including the DFI and BND. I'd prefer a thoughtful process such as this during the interim rather than a bill rushed in to law.

SB 2008 – is the budget for the Department of Financial Institutions. The \$9.1 million budget with 31 full time equivalent employees (unchanged) was unanimously approved by the full Senate Tuesday afternoon.

SB 2292 – seeks to allow a mortgagor and mortgagee to execute a mortgage modification for the purpose of extending the mortgage lien past its maturity date and to clarify that the mortgage lien will be lawfully valid and effective 10 years from the modification's new maturity date and if no new date is stated then 10 years from the modification date. This measure will help transition construction loans to permanent financing, home equity lines of credit, and other mortgage scenarios. ICBND supported the bill and it passed unanimously on the Senate Floor Wednesday afternoon.

SECTION 3: ICBND BILL HEARINGS NEXT WEEK - NONE

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ICBND BILL TRACKING LIST

Bill	Status	Title
<u>HB 1002</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/08 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM 02/18 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 20 0 1	Relating to the salary of the secretary of state; and to provide an exemption.
<u>HB 1011</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/16 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 18 0 3 02/17 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the securities department.
<u>HB 1024</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/14 H Committee Hearing - 11:00 AM 02/18 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 17 4 0	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the ethics commission.
<u>HB 1026</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/03 S Introduced, first reading, referred Agriculture Committee 02/18 S Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to financial criteria for grain buyer, grain broker, grain processor, and warehousemen licenses, and licensing and bonding for grain brokers and grain processors; relating to definitions of grain brokers and processors, the duties and powers of the commissioner, confidentiality records, scale ticket contents, credit-sale contracts, reports, annual licenses, fees, and bonds for grain buyers, grain brokers, grain processors, and warehousemen; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1037</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/05 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 02/02 H Committee Hearing - 08:30 AM	Relating to a legacy earnings fund; and to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 21-10-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to funds invested by the state investment board.
<u>HB 1043</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/13 H Rereferred to Judiciary 02/18 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 12 2 0	Relating to the ethics commission delegation of duties and advisory opinions; relating to ethics commission complaint procedures.
<u>HB 1050</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/02 S Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/17 S Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to definitions relating to business incentives, agreements, and reports.
<u>HB 1087</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/16 S Received from House 02/17 S Introduced, first reading, (emergency), referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee	Relating to third-party reinsurance; relating to premium taxes and credits for insurance companies and the establishment of an invisible reinsurance pool for the individual health insurance market; to provide for a study; to provide a penalty; to provide an appropriation; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1132</u>	House: WITHDRAWN 01/27 H Request return from committee 01/27 H Withdrawn from further consideration	Relating to bonded debt repayments; to amend and reenact sections 6-09.4-06 and 6-09.4-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to borrowing and lending authority of the public finance authority and reserve funds associated

		with bonds; to provide an appropriation; to provide a bond issue limit; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1136</u>	House: DEFEATED 01/25 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 10 1 3 01/29 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 3 nays 86	Relating to the disposition of proceeds from tax lien foreclosures.
<u>HB 1147</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/10 H Amendment adopted 02/10 H Rereferred to Appropriations	Relating to public employee fertility health benefits; to amend and reenact section 26.1-36.6-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to self-insurance health plans; to provide for a report; to provide for application; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1154</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/03 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM 02/18 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 13 0 1	Relating to prior authorization of dental services, dental networks, and payment of dental claims.
<u>HB 1172</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/12 H Reported back amended, do not pass, placed on calendar 12 2 0 02/15 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar	Relating to agricultural mediation and negotiation services.
<u>HB 1175</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/08 S Received from House 02/15 S Introduced, first reading, (emergency), referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee	Relating to business immunity from COVID-19 liability claims; to provide for retroactive application; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1187</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/21 H Laid over one legislative day 01/22 H Rereferred to Appropriations	Relating to creation of a Bank of North Dakota rebuilders loan program and a rebuilders permanent loan fund; relating to a rebuilders loan program, a rebuilders home loan program, and a rebuilders home loan fund; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide for a transfer.
<u>HB 1191</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Government and Veterans Affairs Committee 02/05 H Committee Hearing - 08:00 AM	Relating to reporting expenditures in support of or opposition to candidates; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1199</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/01 S Received from House 02/15 S Introduced, first reading, referred Finance and Taxation Committee	Relating to the disposition of proceeds from tax lien foreclosures.
<u>HB 1203</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/09 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 9 5 0 02/17 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 20 nays 72	Relating to requirements of health insurance policies; to amend and reenact section 50-24.1-37 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to continuation of Medicaid Expansion; to repeal sections 40 and 41 of chapter 11 of the 2017 Session Laws, relating to repeal of the Medicaid Expansion program; to provide for application; and to provide a contingent effective date.
<u>HB 1204</u>	House: DEFEATED 01/22 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 01/28 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 19 nays 74	Relating to limitations on requirements to wear a mask at work; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1231</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/17 S Received from House	Relating to duty of the investment director to consider investing locally.

	02/18 S Introduced, first reading, referred Government and Veterans Affairs Committee	
<u>HB 1258</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 01/27 S Received from House 02/15 S Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee	Relating to real estate commission administration and real estate licensing; to repeal chapter 43-23.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to real estate broker trust accounts; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1261</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/26 H Committee Hearing - 11:00 AM 02/16 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 11 2 1	Relating to property exempt from seizure and forfeiture; and to amend and reenact section 19-03.1-36.8 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to seizure and forfeiture reporting requirements.
<u>HB 1267</u>	House: DEFEATED 01/27 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 13 1 0 02/02 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 19 nays 75	Relating to cryptocurrency custodian services and exchanges; and to provide for a legislative management report.
<u>HB 1268</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/09 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 12 1 1 02/17 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 36 nays 56	Relating to a financial technology sandbox program for innovative financial products and services and criminal history background checks.
<u>HB 1271</u>	House: DEFEATED 01/28 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 11 2 1 02/03 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 14 nays 79	Relating to employer immunity; to amend and reenact subsection 11 of section 65-01-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of a compensable injury; to provide for retroactive application; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1275</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 02/01 H Committee Hearing - 02:45 PM	Relating to an infrastructure bonding repayment fund, a research and innovation fund, a workforce development and lifelong education fund, a student meal and support services fund, a legacy earnings fund, a human services and public health stabilization fund, and a regional economic development infrastructure fund; relating to funds invested by the state investment board, legacy fund definitions, and an arts and culture endowment fund; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide a transfer.
<u>HB 1277</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/04 S Received from House 02/15 S Introduced, first reading, referred Finance and Taxation Committee	Relating to a residential property tax exemption for new construction; and to provide an effective date.
<u>HB 1278</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/17 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 14 0 0 02/18 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar	Relating to eligibility for unemployment compensation for military spouses; and to amend and reenact subdivision b of subsection 2 of section 52-04-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to benefits paid chargeable to accounts of base-period employers.
<u>HB 1288</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/04 H Rereferred to Appropriations 02/12 H Reported back, do pass, place on calendar 18 1 2	Relating to Medicaid coverage of continuous glucose monitoring devices.
<u>HB 1295</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, (emergency), referred Government and Veterans Affairs	Relating to authority of the secretary of state and the ethics commission; and to declare an emergency.

	Committee 02/18 H Committee Hearing - 08:00 AM	
<u>HB 1299</u>	House: DEFEATED 01/21 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 01/26 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 21 nays 70	Relating to prohibiting a retail establishment from refusing to accept cash as payment; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1301</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/04 H Division A lost 02/04 H Division B lost	Relating to civil immunity for communicable diseases and mandatory communicable disease immunizations; to provide a penalty; to provide for application; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1307</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/02 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 11 3 0 02/04 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 24 nays 68	A BILL for an Act to prohibit public accommodations from refusing services to an individual because the individual has not been vaccinated; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1314</u>	House: PASSED 02/11 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 02/18 H Second reading, passed, yeas 93 nays 0	Relating to cybersecurity incident reporting requirements.
<u>HB 1320</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/02 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 13 1 0 02/04 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 8 nays 84	Relating to limitations on vaccinations requirements; relating to immunization records and data; and to repeal section 23-07-17.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to immunizations required for entry to school or day care.
<u>HB 1322</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/10 H Laid over one legislative day 02/15 H Laid over one legislative day	Relating to the attorney general's review of proposed administrative rules and the authority of the administrative rules committee to object to or void an administrative rule.
<u>HB 1328</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/10 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 02/18 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 35 nays 59	Relating to vitamin D screening and testing; to amend and reenact section 26.1-36.6-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to self-insurance health plans; to provide for a report; to provide for application; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.
<u>HB 1330</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/10 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 12 1 1 02/18 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 19 nays 75	Relating to prohibiting covered entities from selling users' protected data without consent; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1339</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/16 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 12 1 1 02/17 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar	Relating to dangerous weapons.
<u>HB 1341</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/08 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 12 2 0 02/16 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 12 nays 82	Relating to the state minimum wage rate.
<u>HB 1352</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/04 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 02/04 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 11 nays 83	A BILL for an Act to provide for liability for medical products.
<u>HB 1363</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/09 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 11 2 1 02/17 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 7 nays 85	Relating to ante-mortem probate of wills.

<u>HB 1364</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/10 S Received from House 02/15 S Introduced, first reading, referred Judiciary Committee	Relating to the duties of a personal representative.
<u>HB 1366</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/15 H Introduced, first reading, referred Transportation Committee 02/11 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to the sale of property subject to a repairman's lien and sale proceeds; and to amend and reenact sections 35-13-01, 35-13-05, and 35-13-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to repairman's liens, notice requirements, and assignments.
<u>HB 1371</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/15 S Received from House 02/16 S Introduced, first reading, referred Political Subdivisions Committee	Relating to requiring the state to observe daylight saving time year round; to repeal section 40-01-20 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to daylight saving time; and to provide an effective date.
<u>HB 1374</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/11 S Received from House 02/15 S Introduced, first reading, referred Finance and Taxation Committee	Relating to an income tax deduction for COVID-19 relief benefits; and to provide an effective date.
<u>HB 1376</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/17 S Received from House 02/18 S Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee	Relating to employer immunity regarding COVID-19; and to provide for application.
<u>HB 1377</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/02 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 8 5 1 02/04 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 21 nays 72	Relating to immunization exemptions.
<u>HB 1380</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 02/02 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to an economic diversification research fund, a legacy sinking and interest fund, a career and technical education support fund, a legacy earnings fund, a behavioral health support fund, a legacy infrastructure project fund, a state building maintenance and project fund, and an information technology cybersecurity fund; to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 21-10-06 and section 21-10-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to funds invested by the state investment board and legacy fund definitions; to provide for a transfer; and to provide a report.
<u>HB 1398</u>	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/15 S Received from House 02/16 S Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee	Relating to prohibitions on political subdivisions regulating paid family leave.
<u>HB 1420</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/03 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM 02/18 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 7 6 1	Relating to the personal use of marijuana; relating to the legalization of marijuana; to provide for a legislative management report; to provide a penalty; and to provide an effective date.
<u>HB 1425</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/11 H Amendment adopted 02/11 H Rereferred to Appropriations	Relating to the legacy infrastructure loan program and the state investment board; to amend and reenact sections 21-10-02 and 21-10-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state investment board and the legacy and

		budget stabilization fund advisory board; and to provide a continuing appropriation.
<u>HB 1431</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/16 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 14 4 3 02/17 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar	Relating to a water infrastructure revolving loan fund and bonded debt repayments; relating to interest rates for infrastructure revolving loans, borrowing and lending authority of the public finance authority, and reserve funds associated with bonds; to repeal chapter 6-09.5 and section 61-02-78 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a community water development fund and an infrastructure revolving loan fund within the resources trust fund; to provide an appropriation; to provide a continuing appropriation; to provide for a transfer; to provide for a contingent transfer; to provide a bond issue limit; and to provide a loan repayment.
<u>HB 1433</u>	House: DEFEATED 01/28 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 12 2 0 02/03 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 16 nays 77	Relating to workers' compensation benefits for essential workers; to provide for retroactive application; and to provide an expiration date.
<u>HB 1439</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/11 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 11 2 1 02/18 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 20 nays 74	Relating to remote notarial acts for clients of certain nonprofit organizations; to amend and reenact subdivision c of subsection 3 of section 44-06.1-13.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to an exemption for certain remote notarial acts; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1441</u>	House: PASSED 02/10 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 02/18 H Second reading, passed, yeas 75 nays 18	Relating to a paid family medical leave program and an income tax credit for contributions paid into the paid family medical leave fund on behalf of eligible employees; to provide an appropriation; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an effective date.
<u>HB 1451</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Political Subdivisions Committee 02/12 H Committee Hearing - 08:30 AM	Relating to reporting the ultimate and true source of funds; relating to political advertisements and reporting the ultimate and true sources of funds; to repeal section 16.1-08.1-08 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to identifying the ultimate and true source of funds; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1454</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/10 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM 02/17 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 11 3 0	Relating to unlawful interference with business relation; and to provide a penalty.
<u>HB 1499</u>	House: DEFEATED 02/08 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 12 2 0 02/15 H Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 9 nays 84	Relating to election requirements for bonds.
<u>HB 1501</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/03 H Committee Hearing - 10:30 AM 02/18 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 9 5 0	Relating to imposition of a gross receipts tax and an excise tax on usable marijuana and adult-use cannabis products; to provide a penalty; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide a contingent effective date.
<u>SB 2008</u>	Senate: PASSED 02/16 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 02/17 H Received from Senate	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of financial institutions; and to provide for a transfer.
<u>SB 2014</u>	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/05 S Introduced, first reading, referred	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the industrial commission and the agencies

	Appropriations Committee 01/13 S Committee Hearing - 08:30 AM	under its control; to provide contingent funding; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an exemption.
<u>SB 2019</u>	Senate: PASSED House: INTRODUCED 02/16 H Received from Senate 02/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of career and technical education; and to provide a report.
<u>SB 2020</u>	Senate: PASSED 02/18 S Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 02/18 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota state university extension service, northern crops institute, upper great plains transportation institute, main research center, branch research centers, and agronomy seed farm; to provide for a report; and to provide an exemption.
<u>SB 2021</u>	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/05 S Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/06 S Committee Hearing - 02:30 PM	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the information technology department; and to provide an exemption.
<u>SB 2034</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/29 S Second reading, passed, yeas 42 nays 4 02/01 H Received from Senate	Relating to written advisory opinions regarding ethics.
<u>SB 2048</u>	Senate: PASSED House: INTRODUCED 02/04 H Received from Senate 02/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Judiciary Committee	Relating to the Revised Uniform Unclaimed Property Act; relating to abandoned and unclaimed property; to repeal chapter 47-30.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the uniform unclaimed property act; to provide for a report; to provide a penalty; and to provide a continuing appropriation.
<u>SB 2064</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 01/19 S Reported back, do not pass, place on calendar 5 1 0 01/20 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 7 nays 39	Relating to the definition of person.
<u>SB 2070</u>	Senate: PASSED 02/11 S Second reading, passed, yeas 46 nays 1 02/12 H Received from Senate	Relating to the regulated substance response; to amend and reenact sections 11-33-01, 23.1-10-02, 40-47-01, and 58-03-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the regulated substance response; to repeal sections 23.1-04-04 and 23.1-10-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to contaminated properties; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide for retroactive application.
<u>SB 2076</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/13 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/14 H Received from Senate	Relating to reinsurance credit of insurers.
<u>SB 2098</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/08 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/11 H Received from Senate	Relating to abandoned vehicles.
<u>SB 2101</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/08 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/11 H Received from Senate	Relating to credit union loans; relating to the regulatory fund, assessment of civil money penalties, appointment of receivers, supervision and examinations, assessments, real estate loans, bank mergers, bank branches, bank investments, trust branches, credit union powers, credit union board notice, and sale or purchase of banking institutions or holding companies; to repeal section 6-06-14 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to credit union loans; and to provide a penalty.

<u>SB 2102</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/14 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/15 H Received from Senate	Relating to dissolution, insolvency, suspension, emergency receivership, and liquidation of institutions under the department of financial institutions' supervision; relating to financial institutions cross references, cease and desist orders, and prompt corrective action; and to repeal chapter 6-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to dissolution, insolvency, suspension, emergency receivership, and liquidation of institutions under the department of financial institutions' supervision.
<u>SB 2103</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/08 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/11 H Received from Senate	Relating to money broker charges; to amend and reenact sections 13-04.1-02.1, 13-05-02.3, and 13-08-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to money broker exemptions, collection agency exemptions, and deferred presentment service transaction procedures; to repeal section 13-04.1-09.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to money broker charges; and to provide a penalty.
<u>SB 2127</u>	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/14 S Rereferred to Appropriations 01/29 S Committee Hearing - 10:00 AM	Relating to the housing incentive fund; and to provide an appropriation.
<u>SB 2169</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 02/17 S Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 12 2 0 02/18 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 7 nays 40	Relating to a COVID-19 relief grant program for essential workers; to provide an appropriation; to provide a contingent appropriation; and to provide an expiration date.
<u>SB 2183</u>	Senate: INTRODUCED 02/05 S Rereferred to Appropriations 02/16 S Committee Hearing - 09:30 AM	Relating to public employee insulin drug benefits; to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 26.1-36.6-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to self-insurance health plans; to provide for a report; to provide for application; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.
<u>SB 2191</u>	Senate: PASSED 02/01 S Second reading, passed, yeas 46 nays 0 02/02 H Received from Senate	Relating to the disposal of abandoned personal property.
<u>SB 2197</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/21 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/22 H Received from Senate	Relating to confidentiality of facts and information obtained or created by the commissioner of financial institutions and the department of financial institutions.
<u>SB 2203</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 02/10 S Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 6 0 0 02/12 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 8 nays 39	Relating to surcharges paid by employers for employees who receive unemployment insurance benefits; and to provide an effective date.
<u>SB 2223</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 02/09 S Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 7 0 0 02/10 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 2 nays 45	Relating to a deed in lieu of foreclosure.
<u>SB 2247</u>	Senate: PASSED 02/01 S Second reading, passed, yeas 46 nays 0 02/02 H Received from Senate	Relating to property disclosure requirements.
<u>SB 2261</u>	Senate: PASSED 01/29 S Second reading, passed, yeas 46 nays 0, Emergency clause carried 02/01 H Received from Senate	Relating to irrevocable itemized funeral contracts and Medicaid assets exempt for funeral expenses; and to declare an emergency.

<u>SB 2285</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 02/05 S Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 7 0 0 02/08 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 2 nays 45	Relating to fees chargeable by an abstractor.
<u>SB 2292</u>	Senate: PASSED 02/16 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 02/17 H Received from Senate	Relating to mortgage modifications; and to amend and reenact sections 35-03-14 and 35-03-15 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the expiration and extension of real estate mortgages.
<u>SB 2293</u>	Senate: PASSED 02/16 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 02/17 H Received from Senate	Relating to statements of full consideration.
<u>SB 2326</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 02/03 S Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 7 0 0 02/04 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 1 nays 46	Relating to a property tax reduction for over-assessed property; and to provide an effective date.
<u>SB 2333</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 02/16 S Amendment adopted 02/16 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 11 nays 36	Relating to in-application payments for software applications and purchases.
<u>HCR 3024</u>	House: INTRODUCED 02/17 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 14 0 0 02/18 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar	A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the feasibility and desirability of regulating special purpose depository institutions and regulating other entities engaged in virtual currency business activities.