

Legislative Update February 5, 2021

SECTION 1: GENERAL

Happy Friday everyone! I'm not much of a conspiracy theorist (which might put me in the minority these days), but we were having a pretty darn mild winter. Then Tuesday that dastardly rodent unnecessarily sticks his head out of his den, sees his shadow, and now we're looking at below-zero temps for the next several days. Coincidence? I think we should have let a sleeping groundhog lie. At least I think that's how the saying goes.

Anyway, a pair of Covid liability protection bills were the subject of much discussion in the House Industry, Business and Labor Committee late Tuesday afternoon. ICBND has been heavily involved in HB 1175 and we remain hopeful that it will be the surviving bill to provide liability protections to businesses including community banks. It is a comprehensive bill with the support of over two dozen different business lobbying associations including ICBND along with healthcare facilities and manufacturers. It also has a retroactive component going back to January 1, 2020 which is of import. The comprehensive nature of the bill and its retroactivity do create some complexity. The trial lawyers and their representatives have lobbied hard against this bill which makes me think it must be pretty good! HB 1175 is the only liability protection bill that is endorsed broadly by the business community including ICBND.

HB 1376 is a competing Covid liability protection bill brought by Representative Jim Kasper. It is a simpler bill but would not go into effect until March 1, 2021 as amended. ICBND believes HB 1175 is the better bill and we've testified in support of it. Oddly enough, both bills came out of committee work that afternoon with "Do Pass" recommendations. HB 1175 with a 9-4 vote and HB 1376 with a 11-2 vote.

You might recall that yesterday I issued an "Action Alert" to members requesting support for HB 1175. Sorry for bombarding your inbox, but your ICBND Legislative Committee rightfully targeted this as a high priority issue for this session. The business lobby including your efforts helped to get HB 1175 to the top of the House Floor calendar today and it was debated for 30 minutes on the House Floor. Ultimately, it passed 77-17 and the Emergency Clause carried including Floor support from the Majority Leader. This is a tremendous outcome (better than I expected) and I thank all of you who reached out to your representatives – it mattered. On to the Senate!

Related to Covid, Thursday afternoon's House Floor session dealt exclusively with vaccine and immunization bills. Eight bills were debated on the floor, four of which had the same primary sponsor who happened to be the guy I reported last week needed some instruction on how to vote on the House Floor. We closely monitored these bills because none of them were business friendly or probably even society friendly. All eight were defeated generally representing a win for employers' rights while not forsaking individual rights.

HB 1172 continued to rear its ugly head this week. As originally introduced by Representative Kempenich, it would prohibit either party in a voluntary ag mediation process from initiating civil action against the other during a 14 day time-out while in mediation. We were neutral on that as the process is still voluntary. The 2nd set of amendments sought to mandate mediation (on lenders only) through the

North Dakota Ag Department's mediation service in the event of a "dispute" prior to seeking any civil action and significantly lengthened the time-out period. I testified in opposition to that amendment yesterday as it was fraught with ambiguity and a one-sided mandate. A separate amendment was introduced again by the sponsor this morning in the same House Ag Subcommittee basically bringing the bill back to its original language including the voluntary status of mediation. I testified neutral to this last amendment but pointed out some language concerns with the amendment. It appears the subcommittee will seek to improve the language and report it back to the full House Ag Committee. We can live with the bill as contemplated this morning, but still reserve the right to possibly try to kill it in the Senate if it survives the House.

Speaking of Representative Kempenich, the tongue-in-cheek GoFundMe account that a citizen satirically established in support of his efforts to get a bill passed for additional funding for lawmakers' meals (remember the Spaghettios dilemma) has generated little interest. And the measure in question has been amended to a study. Sometimes that's where bills go to die.

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

HB 1267 – relates to cryptocurrency custodian services and exchanges and states that the Bank of North Dakota may provide custodian services for digital currency and may implement a digital currency exchange. It was heard in House IBL last week and ultimately received a 13-1 "do not pass" recommendation while also recognizing that nothing precludes DFI and BND from exploring and preparing further without legislation. This bill failed on the House Floor Tuesday by a vote of 19-74.

HB 1425 – is Representative Mike Nathe's Legacy Fund bill which would require 20 percent of the Legacy Fund principal be invested in or through North Dakota based businesses. ICBND and others have been discussing this with the State Investment Board management and members along with Representative Nathe for a couple years. ICBND strongly supports the measure and it was heard in the House Finance and Taxation Committee Tuesday morning. The hearing went very well, but it's a big shift and there will be many further discussions on this bill.

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 and ICBND opposes the bill as does the general business lobby. It was heard in House IBL Wednesday, but the committee has not acted on the bill.

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 Friday morning to the House Government and Veterans Affairs Committee specifically as it relates to the ND Housing Finance Agency. The committee did not act on the bill this morning, but I suspect at a minimum it will be amended to our satisfaction or just killed.

SB 2048 – is a uniform law commission bill related to the Uniform Unclaimed Property Act. Changes outlined by the bill and amendments are acceptable to ICBND as they relate to banking matters. The Senate IBL provided a 6-0 "Do Pass" recommendation. The full Senate approved the bill 47-0 on Wednesday afternoon.

SB 2191 – relates to the disposal of abandoned personal property. The North Dakota Land Title Association introduced this bill as a companion bill to SB 2205 which passed last session. SB 2205 streamlined abandoned real property foreclosures. That bill was successful in shortening the foreclosure time frame for lenders. As a part of that process, the foreclosing bank and law firm also run into problems with abandoned personal property left in the property which causes delays. This bill would streamline the personal property process as SB 2205 did last session for real property. ICBND testified in support of the

bill a couple weeks ago in the Senate Political Subdivision Committee and it received a unanimous "Do Pass" recommendation. On Monday, the Senate unanimously passed this bill 46-0.

SB 2223 – is a problematic bill that would require a foreclosure judgement to transfer title when a deed in lieu of foreclosure has been granted. I testified that such a requirement could cause harm to both a lender and borrower by adding unnecessary legal proceedings, costs, time, and public disclosure when both parties have agreed to a deed in lieu of foreclosure. Understanding the significant opposition, the bill sponsors provided a couple different amendments that attempted to circumvent parts of federal bankruptcy law and state law. It is a bad bill and finally received a "Do Not Pass" recommendation from the Senate Political Subdivisions Committee this week.

SECTION 3: BILL HEARINGS NEXT WEEK

SECTION 5. BILL TEARINGS NEXT WEEK			
Date and Time	Bill Number	Short Title	Committee
02/08/2021 09:00	HB 1268	Relating to a financial technology sandbox program for innovative financial products and services and criminal history background checks.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/08/2021 09:00	HCR 3024	A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the feasibility and desirability of regulating special purpose depository institutions for cryptocurrency.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/08/2021 09:00	HB 1147	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.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/08/2021 09:00	HB 1203	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.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/08/2021 02:30	HB 1268	Relating to a financial technology sandbox program for innovative financial products and services and criminal history background checks.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/08/2021 02:30	HB 1278	Relating to eligibility for unemployment compensation for military spouses.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/08/2021 02:30	HB 1441	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.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/08/2021 02:45	HB 1002	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the secretary of state and public printing.	House Appropriations - Education and Environment Division
02/09/2021 10:00	HB 1330	Relating to prohibiting covered entities from selling users' protected data without consent; and to provide a penalty.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/09/2021 10:30	SB 2333	Relating to in-application payments for software applications and purchases.	Senate Industry, Business and Labor
02/09/2021 11:00	SB 2014	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the industrial commission and the agencies under its control; to provide contingent funding; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an exemption.	Senate Appropriations

02/09/2021 02:15	SB 2203	Relating to surcharges paid by employers for employees who receive unemployment insurance benefits; and to provide an effective date.	Senate Industry, Business and Labor
02/09/2021 02:30	SB 2021	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the information technology department; and to provide an exemption.	Senate Appropriations
02/10/2021 08:30	HB 1439	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.	House Judiciary
02/10/2021 09:00	HB 1454	Relating to unlawful interference with business relation; and to provide a penalty.	House Industry, Business and Labor
02/11/2021 08:30	<u>HB 1026</u>	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	Senate Agriculture
02/11/2021 08:30	SB 2292	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.	Senate Political Subdivisions
02/11/2021 09:00	HB 1366	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.	House Transportation
02/11/2021 09:15	SB 2293	Relating to statements of full consideration.	Senate Political Subdivisions
02/11/2021 11:00	SB 2021	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the information technology department; and to provide an exemption.	Senate Appropriations
02/12/2021 08:30	HB 1187	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.	House Appropriations
02/12/2021 10:00	HB 1288	Relating to Medicaid coverage of continuous glucose monitoring devices.	House Appropriations

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ICBND BILL TRACKING LIST

<u>Bill</u>	Status	Title
HB 1002	House: INTRODUCED 01/05 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/08 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the secretary of state and public printing.
HB 1011	House: INTRODUCED 01/05 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/08 H Committee Hearing - 10:00 AM	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the securities department.
HB 1024	House: INTRODUCED 01/05 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/14 H Committee Hearing - 11:00 AM	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the ethics commission.
HB 1026	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 02/03 S Introduced, first reading, referred Agriculture Committee 02/11 S Committee Hearing - 08:30 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.
HB 1037	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.
HB 1043	House: INTRODUCED 01/12 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 13 1 0 01/13 H Rereferred to Judiciary	Relating to the ethics commission delegation of duties and advisory opinions; to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 54-66-01 and sections 54-66-05, 54-66-06, 54-66-07, 54-66-08, 54-66-09, and 54-66-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to ethics commission complaint procedures.
HB 1050	House: PASSED Senate: INTRODUCED 01/18 S Received from House 02/02 S Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee	Relating to definitions relating to business incentives, agreements, and reports.
HB 1087	House: INTRODUCED 01/15 H Amendment adopted 01/15 H Rereferred to Appropriations	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.

HB 1132	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.
HB 1136	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.
HB 1147	House: INTRODUCED 01/08 H Introduced, first reading, (emergency), referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 01/26 H Committee Hearing - 02:00 PM	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.
HB 1154	House: INTRODUCED 01/13 H Rereferred to Industry, Business and Labor 02/03 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to transparency in dental benefits contracting; and to provide a penalty.
HB 1172	House: INTRODUCED 02/04 H Committee Hearing - 11:00 AM 02/05 H Committee Hearing - 08:00 AM	Relating to agricultural mediation and negotiation services.
HB 1175	House: INTRODUCED 02/03 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 9 4 1 02/04 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar 02/05 H Second reading, passed yeas 77 nays 17 Emergency Clause carried	Relating to business immunity from COVID-19 liability claims; to provide for retroactive application; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.
HB 1187	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; to repeal sections 6-09-46 and 6-09-46.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, 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.
HB 1199	House: PASSED 01/29 H Second reading, passed, yeas 89 nays 0 02/01 S Received from House	Relating to the disposition of proceeds from tax lien foreclosures.
HB 1203	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 01/18 H Committee Hearing - 08:00 AM	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.

HB 1231	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Government and Veterans Affairs Committee 01/22 H Committee Hearing - 08:30 AM	Relating to duty of the investment director to consider investing locally.
HB 1258	House: PASSED 01/26 H Second reading, passed, yeas 91 nays 0 01/27 S Received from House	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 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Judiciary Committee 01/26 H Committee Hearing - 11:00 AM	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.
HB 1267	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.
HB 1268	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/08 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to a financial technology sandbox program for innovative financial products and services and criminal history background checks.
HB 1271	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.
HB 1275	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 02/03 H Second reading, passed, yeas 53 nays 40 02/04 S Received from House	Relating to a residential property tax exemption for new construction; and to provide an effective date.
HB 1278	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 01/19 H Committee Hearing - 08:00 AM	Relating to eligibility for unemployment compensation for military spouses.
HB 1288	House: INTRODUCED 02/04 H Amendment adopted 02/04 H Rereferred to Appropriations	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 Committee	Relating to authority of the secretary of state and the ethics commission; and to declare an emergency.
HB 1299	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.

HB 1301	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.
HB 1307	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.
HB 1314	House: INTRODUCED 01/11 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/01 H Committee Hearing - 02:30 PM	Relating to cybersecurity incident reporting requirements.
HB 1320	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.
HB 1322	House: INTRODUCED 01/26 H Committee Hearing - 03:30 PM 02/04 H Reported back, do not pass, placed on calendar 8 6 0	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.
HB 1328	House: INTRODUCED 01/12 H Introduced, first reading, (emergency), referred Human Services Committee 01/25 H Committee Hearing - 10:15 AM	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.
HB 1330	House: INTRODUCED 01/13 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/09 H Committee Hearing - 10:00 AM	Relating to prohibiting covered entities from selling users' protected data without consent; and to provide a penalty.
HB 1341	House: INTRODUCED 01/14 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/01 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to the state minimum wage rate.
HB 1352	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.
HB 1363	House: INTRODUCED 01/15 H Introduced, first reading, referred Judiciary Committee 02/02 H Committee Hearing - 10:30 AM	Relating to ante-mortem probate of wills.
HB 1364	House: INTRODUCED 02/02 H Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 8 6 0 02/03 H Amendment adopted, placed on calendar	Relating to the duties of a personal representative.
HB 1366	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: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Political	Relating to requiring the state to observe daylight saving time year round; to repeal section 40-01-20 of the North

	Subdivisions Committee 02/05 H Committee Hearing - 10:00 AM	Dakota Century Code, relating to daylight saving time; and to provide an effective date.
HB 1374	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Finance and Taxation Committee 01/27 H Committee Hearing - 10:00 AM	Relating to an income tax deduction for COVID-19 relief benefits; and to provide an effective date.
HB 1376	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 01/27 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to employer immunity regarding COVID-19; and to provide for application.
HB 1377	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.
HB 1380	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; relating to funds invested by the state investment board and legacy fund definitions; to provide for a transfer; and to provide a report.
HB 1398	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Political Subdivisions Committee 02/04 H Committee Hearing - 10:00 AM	Relating to prohibitions on political subdivisions regulating paid family leave.
HB 1420	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Human Services Committee 02/03 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to the personal use of marijuana; relating to the legalization of marijuana; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide for a legislative management report; and to provide a penalty.
HB 1425	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Finance and Taxation Committee 02/02 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to the legacy infrastructure revolving loan fund 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.
HB 1431	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 02/01 H Committee Hearing - 03:15 PM	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.
HB 1433	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.

HB 1439	House: INTRODUCED 01/25 H Rereferred to Judiciary 02/10 H Committee Hearing - 08:30 AM	Relating to remote notarial acts for clients of certain nonprofit organizations, relating to an exemption for certain remote notarial acts; and to provide a penalty.
HB 1441	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/03 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	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 1454</u>	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/10 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	Relating to unlawful interference with business relation; and to provide a penalty.
HB 1499	House: INTRODUCED 01/18 H Introduced, first reading, referred Government and Veterans Affairs Committee 02/05 H Committee Hearing - 08:00 AM	Relating to election requirements for bonds.
HB 1501	House: INTRODUCED 01/27 H Introduced, first reading, referred Finance and Taxation Committee 02/03 H Committee Hearing - 10:30 AM	Relating to imposition of a gross receipts tax and an excise tax on retail marijuana and retail marijuana products; to provide a penalty; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide a contingent effective date.
SB 2008	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/05 S Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/08 S Committee Hearing - 11:00 AM	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of financial institutions.
SB 2014	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/05 S Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/13 S Committee Hearing - 08:30 AM	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the industrial commission and the agencies under its control; to provide contingent funding; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an exemption.
SB 2019	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/05 S Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/07 S Committee Hearing - 01:30 PM	A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of career and technical education.
SB 2020	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/20 S Committee Hearing - 02:45 PM 01/20 S Committee Hearing - 03:30 PM	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.
SB 2021	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.
SB 2034	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.
SB 2048	Senate: PASSED 02/03 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 02/04 H Received from Senate	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 appropriation.
<u>SB 2064</u>	Senate: DEFEATED 01/19 S Reported back, do not pass, place on calendar 5 1 0	Relating to the definition of person.

	01/20 S Second reading, failed to pass, yeas 7 nays 39	
SB 2070	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/05 S Introduced, first reading, referred Energy and Natural Resources Committee 01/07 S Committee Hearing - 01:30 PM	Relating to the regulated substance response; relating to the regulated substance response; and to repeal sections 23.1-04-04 and 23.1-10-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to contaminated properties.
SB 2076	Senate: PASSED 01/13 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/14 H Received from Senate	Relating to reinsurance credit of insurers.
SB 2098	Senate: PASSED 01/08 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/11 H Received from Senate	Relating to abandoned vehicles.
SB 2101	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.
SB 2102	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.
SB 2103	Senate: PASSED 01/08 S Second reading, passed, yeas 47 nays 0 01/11 H Received from Senate	Relating to money broker charges; 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.
SB 2127	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.
SB 2169	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/11 S Introduced, first reading, referred Appropriations Committee 01/21 S Committee Hearing - 01:30 PM	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.
SB 2183	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/19 S Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM 02/04 S Reported back amended, do pass, amendment placed on calendar 4 2 0	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.
SB 2191	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.

SB 2197	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.
SB 2203	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/14 S Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/09 S Committee Hearing - 02:15 PM	Relating to surcharges paid by employers for employees who receive unemployment insurance benefits; and to provide an effective date.
SB 2223	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/18 S Introduced, first reading, referred Political Subdivisions Committee 01/28 S Committee Hearing - 02:15 PM	Relating to a deed in lieu of foreclosure.
SB 2247	Senate: PASSED 02/01 S Second reading, passed, yeas 46 nays 0 02/02 H Received from Senate	Relating to property disclosure requirements.
SB 2261	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.
SB 2285	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/22 S Introduced, first reading, referred Political Subdivisions Committee 02/05 S Committee Hearing - 10:15 AM	Relating to fees chargeable by an abstracter.
SB 2292	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/25 S Introduced, first reading, referred Political Subdivisions Committee 02/11 S Committee Hearing - 08:30 AM	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.
SB 2293	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/25 S Introduced, first reading, referred Political Subdivisions Committee 02/11 S Committee Hearing - 09:15 AM	Relating to statements of full consideration.
SB 2326	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.
SB 2333	Senate: INTRODUCED 01/25 S Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/09 S Committee Hearing - 10:30 AM	Relating to in-application payments for software applications and purchases.
HCR 3024	House: INTRODUCED 01/28 H Introduced, first reading, referred Industry, Business and Labor Committee 02/08 H Committee Hearing - 09:00 AM	A concurrent resolution directing the Legislative Management to consider studying the feasibility and desirability of regulating special purpose depository institutions for cryptocurrency.