

**Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1279
(Representatives Fehr, D. Anderson, Bellew, Hofstad, Seibel)

AN ACT to provide for a legislative management study of family caregiver supports and services.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY. During the 2015-16 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying family caregiver supports and services. The study must identify policies, resources, and programs available for family caregivers and encourage additional innovative and creative means to support family caregivers so that they are able to continue to provide in-home support for older adults. The study must include input from stakeholders, including representatives of hospitals, social and clinical providers, advocacy organizations, tribal government, state and local agencies and institutions, and caregivers in this state. The study committee may receive testimony on the needs of family caregivers, including designation of caregivers, training, respite services, medical leave policies, and delegation of tasks to non-medical aides. The study must include an inventory of the resources available to family caregivers and may make any recommendations for administrative actions to support family caregivers. The legislative management may contract for consulting and coordination of study services. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-fifth legislative assembly.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1279.

House Vote: Yeas 78 Nays 9 Absent 7

Senate Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0

Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2015.

Governor

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Secretary of State