

# FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixtieth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL 2303

Introduced by

Senator J. Lee  
~~Senator Larry Robinson~~  
~~Representative Price~~

- 1       **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 23-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
2       created and enacted as follows:
- 3       To establish and staff a North Dakota Health Information Technology (HIT) Office-  
4       rename the HIT steering committee the HIT Advisory Committee--Grants.
- 5       1. The North Dakota Health Information Technology Office shall be established and  
6       consists of a Health Information Technology Officer with oversight provided by the  
7       HIT Advisory Committee (currently the HIT Steering Committee) steering committee  
8       appointed by the Governor consisting but not limited to the following:  
9       the state health officer, the governor or the governor's designee, the executive director  
10      of the department of human services or the executive director's designee,  
11      individuals appointed by the governor to represent state government interests, and  
12      individuals appointed by the state health officer to represent health information  
13      technology stakeholders, which may include:
- 14      a. Rural and urban health care facilities and organizations;
  - 15      b. Rural and urban economic development entities;
  - 16      c. Technology businesses;
  - 17      d. Academic and research institutions;
  - 16      e. The federal government;
  - 17      f. Rural and urban health care providers;
  - 18      g. Quality improvement organizations;
  - 19      h. Third-party payers;
  - 20      i. Health Information management;
  - 21      j. Consumers
  - 22      k. The North Dakota Healthcare Association and;
  - 23      l. The North Dakota Medical Association.

1 ~~Steering committee~~ **Advisory Committee** members appointed by the  
2 governor serve at the pleasure of the governor. ~~Steering committee~~ **Advisory**  
3 **Committee** members appointed by the state health officer serve at the  
4 pleasure of the state health officer and may represent one or more interests.  
5 The state health officer may appoint more than one individual to represent a  
6 single interest. The state department of health shall provide or arrange for  
7 administrative services to assist the **State HIT Office and the** ~~steering committee~~ **Advisory**  
8 **Committee.** The **State HIT Office in consultation with the** ~~steering committee~~ **Advisory**  
9 **Committee** shall make recommendations for implementing a statewide  
10 interoperable health information infrastructure that is consistent with  
11 emerging national standards, promotes the adoption and use of electronic  
12 health records and other health information technologies, and promotes  
13 interoperability of health information systems for the purpose of improving  
14 health care quality, patient safety, and overall efficiency of health care and  
15 public health services. **The State HIT Office in consultation with the HIT**  
16 **Advisory Committee** ~~steering committee~~ shall develop a grant program to  
17 assist in the planning and implementation of health information technology  
18 projects. **The State HIT Office in consultation with the HIT Advisory**  
19 **Committee** ~~steering committee~~ shall establish a 501 (C (3) entity for the  
20 purpose of ~~may accepting~~ and expending contributions, gifts, and grants  
21 from the federal government, private industry, and other sources and for ~~may~~  
22 ~~entering into~~ contracts for purposes consistent with this section.

23 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any monies  
24 in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of  
25 **\$5,923,572** or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the state department of  
26 health, for the purpose of defraying the costs of the North Dakota **HIT Office, Officer**  
27 ~~steering committee~~ **advisory committee** and associated grants for the biennium  
28 beginning July 1, ~~2007~~ **2009** and ending June 30, ~~2009~~ **2011**.

**24 Mnths**

Salary		
Director	1.00	149,328
HSPA I	0.50	38,148
<b>Total Salary</b>		<b>187,476</b>
Fringe		
18% of salaries		33,746
Health Insurance est per FTE		26,100
<b>Total Fringe</b>		<b>59,846</b>
Travel (includes in-state & grant review board)		3,000
IT--Software/Supplies		2,000
Office Supplies		1,500
Rent		7,500
IT Data Processing		3,000
IT Telephone		750
Sub-total Operating Services		17,750
IT Equip under \$5,000		4,000
Office Equip Under \$5,000		4,500
<b>Total Operating</b>		<b>26,250</b>
Grants		
Readiness Assessment/Planning Grants		900,000
Implementation Grants (HER, other related tech., etc.)		3,600,000
Implementation Grants (telemedicine)		150,000
Health Information Exchange Collaborative Grants		1,000,000
<b>Total Grants</b>		<b>5,650,000</b>
<b>Total</b>		<b><u><u>5,923,572</u></u></b>