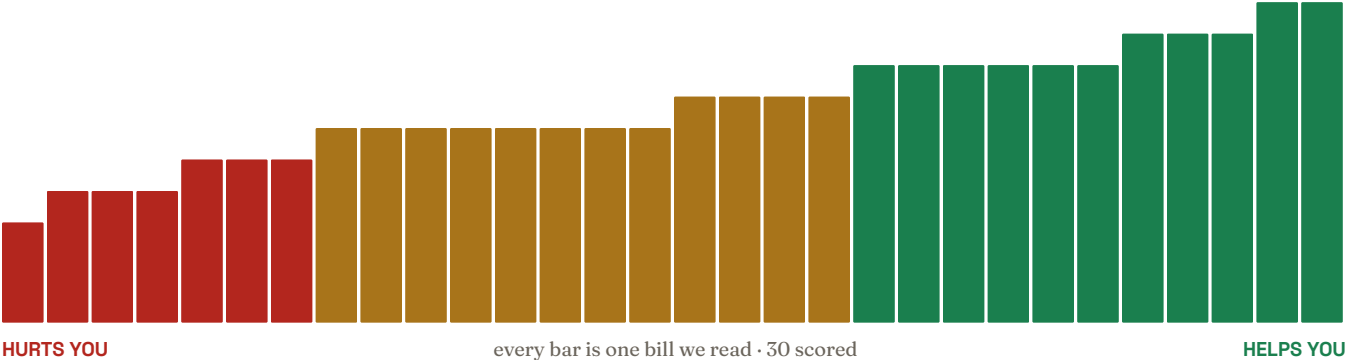




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North Dakota Bill Book 2026

The North Dakota bills that matter most, each scored 1–10 on one question: does it help everyday people, or the interests behind it?



Our take on the left. The bill on the right. Room for your notes.

Every spread is one bill, twice.

On the **left** is our take: the Billometer score, what the bill means for you, and the factor-by-factor reasoning behind that score. On the **right** is the bill on the record: its official title, its status, where to read the real text, and space for your own notes.

THE BILLOMETER

One number, 1 to 10, answering a single question: does this help everyday people or hurt them? 1–4 hurts, 5–6 is mixed, 7–10 helps. It is our editorial judgement — which is exactly why every page shows the reasoning behind it. If you disagree with a score, you can see precisely where you disagree.

HOW THESE BILLS WERE CHOSEN

Ranked, not cherry-picked. This edition prints the 10 lowest-scoring and 10 highest-scoring of the 30 North Dakota bills we have fully analysed. A bill only qualifies if it passed our verification step, has a recorded official status, and has its reasoning attached. Thin entries are left out rather than padded. Note that only 143 bills in the entire country score 3 or below, so in most places the bottom of the list is not evil — it is merely mixed, and we label it that way.

THESE ARE PROPOSALS, NOT LAW

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10 worst, 10 best

THE WORST — LOWEST SCORING

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3/10	HB1572	The Park Districts Bill — Park districts could issue bonds without voter approval
3/10	SCR4023	The Medical Center Bill — Proposed tax repeal could hurt funding for medical center
3/10	HB1150	The Enforce Sunday Bill — North Dakota pushes to enforce Sunday store closures
4/10	SB2315	The Penalties Lobbyists Bill — New penalties for lobbyists could limit their influence
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5/10	HB1575	The Fund Property Bill — New fund aims to change property tax rules in North Dakota
5/10	HB1168	The Property Taxes Bill — New fund aims to help with property taxes in North Dakota

THE BEST — HIGHEST SCORING

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8/10	HB1586	The Home Foreclosures Bill — North Dakota bill stops home tax foreclosures, offers credit
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8/10	HB1100	The School Meals Bill — Free school meals stay funded for families with unpaid debt
7/10	HB1377	The Campaign Finance Bill — North Dakota bill tightens campaign finance disclosure rules
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7/10	HB1477	The Fertility Care Bill — New fertility care rights bill introduced in North Dakota
7/10	HB1594	The Pushes Health Bill — North Dakota pushes health cost transparency for patients
7/10	SB2298	The Homestead Credit Bill — New homestead tax credit for disabled veterans introduced in ND

The Ethics Commission Bill

Ethics commission changes give lawmakers new immunity

ND HB1277 · Immunity & Accountability

2/10 **OBLITERATE**
Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Citizens could lose a way to hold elected officials accountable, and complaints may be closed quickly without full review, so public trust could slip.

WHY IT SCORES 2/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (hurts)** — immunity reduces accountability.
legislators shielded from criminal prosecution
- Rights & Protections (hurts)** — harder to file complaints.
complaint process limited
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — no new spending.
no direct cost shift
- Process Transparency (hurts)** — less transparent process.
commission can close matters quickly

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (2R / 0D)

The complaint process of the ethics commission; and to declare an emergency.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-13

The bill would let legislators avoid criminal charges when following rules and make it harder to file complaints against them.

Government Power

Official text (ND HB1277) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bol1277.html>

LegiScan – HB1277 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1277/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1277-916502

The Park Districts Bill

Park districts could issue bonds without voter approval

ND HB1572 • Housing & Property

3/10

OBLITERATE

Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If passed, taxpayers could see more debt from park projects they never voted on, and may get less clear tax bills, so they should speak up now.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (hurts)** — Reduces voter oversight of park district borrowing.
Bond authority without vote limits public accountability
- Rights & Protections (hurts)** — Removes right to vote on bond issues.
Citizens lose direct say in park financing
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Taxpayers may fund debt they did not approve.
Bond costs shift to residents
- Process Transparency (hurts)** — Changes tax statement format and reporting.
Less clear information for homeowners

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (8R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate • 2025-04-02 — failed
Yes 2R/0D • No 39R/5D

THE BILL ITSELF

Park district bonding authority without a vote, reporting of legislative tax relief information, and delivery and contents of the real estate tax statement; to provide for a legislative management study; and to provide for a legislative management report.

ND HB1572

 Engrossed · recorded 2025-02-21

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would let park districts sell bonds without a public vote, and change how tax relief info and property tax statements are reported, affecting homeowners.

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

Government Power

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (ND HB1572) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1572.html>

LegiScan — HB1572 — <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1572/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1572-930632

YOUR NOTES

The Medical Center Bill

Proposed tax repeal could hurt funding for medical center

ND SCR4023 · Money & Damages

3/10 **OBLITERATE**
Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, the medical center might not have enough funds to help people. It's important to speak up now to keep this tax.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Funding Tilt (hurts) — Repealing the tax would reduce funds for healthcare..
The tax is crucial for the medical center's budget.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (1R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate · 2025-02-24 — failed
Yes 21R/0D · No 21R/5D

The statewide property tax levy of one mill for support of the state medical center at the University of North Dakota; and to provide an effective date.

WHAT IT DOES

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

READ IT YOURSELF

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-scr4023-954501

YOUR NOTES

The Enforce Sunday Bill

North Dakota pushes to enforce Sunday store closures

ND HB1150 • Consumer Protection

3/10 **OBLITERATE**
Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Citizens would lose the ability to shop on Sundays, hurting convenience and small businesses, while larger retailers may benefit from a level playing field.

WHY IT SCORES 3/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (hurts)** — Adds penalties but limits oversight of enforcement..
Penalty enforcement may reduce transparency.
- Rights & Protections (hurts)** — Removes consumer right to shop on Sunday..
Limits access to goods and services.
- Who Bears the Cost (hurts)** — Consumers lose convenience; small shops may face higher risk..
Cost shifts to everyday people.
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — No clear details on enforcement process..
Limited information in text.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (7R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House · 2025-01-16 — failed
Yes 4R/0D · No 78R/11D

Sunday closing laws and retail agreements; and to provide a penalty.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-07

The bill would force stores to stay closed on Sundays and add penalties for opening early.

Retail

Official text (ND HB1150) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1150.html>

LegiScan – HB1150 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1150/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1150-907874

The Penalties Lobbyists Bill

New penalties for lobbyists could limit their influence

ND SB2315 • Gov Power

4/10

OBLITERATE

Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, it could make it harder for lobbyists to do their job, which might affect how laws are made. It's important to think about whether this helps or hurts regular people.

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (hurts) — Could limit lobbyist actions..

The bill may restrict how lobbyists operate.

Rights & Protections (neutral) — No clear impact on citizens' rights..

The bill does not directly affect citizens' rights.

Who Bears the Cost (neutral) — Lobbyists may face penalties..

Lobbyists would be the ones facing penalties.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (3R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate • 2025-02-24 — failed

Yes 1R/0D • No 41R/5D

THE BILL ITSELF

Penalties for legislative lobbyists; and to provide a penalty.

ND SB2315 Introduced · recorded 2025-01-23

WHAT IT DOES

This bill would create penalties for lobbyists, which might change how they work with lawmakers.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

Government Power

READ IT YOURSELF

Official text (ND SB2315) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo2315.html>

LegiScan — SB2315 — <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/SB2315/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-sb2315-937159

YOUR NOTES

The Transgender Athletes Bill

Push to change NCAA rules on transgender athletes in sports

ND SCR4010 • Your Right to Sue

4/10

OBLITERATE

Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill could create more arguments about fairness in sports. It might not help anyone in the long run, so people should pay attention to it now.

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — The bill does not hold anyone accountable..
Unknown

Rights & Protections (hurts) — It may limit rights for transgender athletes..
The bill seeks to revoke protections for transgender student-athletes.

Who Bears the Cost (neutral) — No clear cost shifts are mentioned..
Unknown

Process Transparency (helps) — The bill is public and discussed in the legislature..
The bill was introduced and referred to a committee.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (6R / 0D)

A concurrent resolution urging the the National Collegiate Athletic Association to revoke its transgender student-athlete eligibility policy, which directly discriminates against female student athletes in collegiate women's sports.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-29

This bill would ask the NCAA to change rules that affect transgender student-athletes, which some say is unfair to female athletes.

Nobody / Symbolic

Official text (ND SCR4010) – <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo4010.html>

LegiScan – SCR4010 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/SCR4010/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-scr4010-947275

The Council Farmers Bill

Oilseed council can fine farmers for missing reports

ND HB1136 • Money & Damages

4/10

OBLITERATE

Hurts everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The bill would shift the cost of missing paperwork onto farmers, which could hurt small producers while helping the council collect data and enforce rules. Now is the time to speak up before it moves forward.

WHY IT SCORES 4/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — Penalty may encourage better reporting..
Enforces compliance with council reporting requirements.
- Rights & Protections** (hurts) — Reduces producers' ability to avoid penalties..
Imposes fines for missing assessments.
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — Costs fall on farmers..
Fines are paid by those who fail to submit reports.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — No new transparency measures..
Bill does not change how decisions are made.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (8R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House · 2025-01-27 — failed
Yes 9R/1D · No 73R/10D

**The penalty for failure to submit assessments to the oilseed council;
and to provide a penalty.**

ND HB1136

The Beef Commission Bill

North Dakota beef commission to require seller name sharing

ND HB1207 · Privacy & Data

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If the bill passes, ranchers will have to give their names to the state, reducing privacy. The cattle industry will get a stronger voice and clear election rules. Citizens should watch the process now.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — adds commission oversight.
creates beef commission with elected members to oversee industry

Rights & Protections (hurts) — reduces seller privacy.
requires auction markets to send seller names to the commission

Who Bears the Cost (neutral) — potential admin cost for markets.
markets may need to collect and forward data

Process Transparency (helps) — increases transparency of industry.
election rules and reporting improve openness

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (6R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House · 2025-02-11 — failed

Yes 20R/5D · No 59R/5D

The definition of a cattle industry representative, the election and terms of members to the North Dakota beef commission, commission vacancies, and requiring livestock auction markets and livestock dealers to forward names of cattle sellers, and the refund of assessments; to provide a penalty; and to provide an effective date.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-10

The bill would make cattle auction markets send the names of sellers to the state beef commission, and set rules for commission elections.

Cattle industry

Official text (ND HB1207) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1207.html>

LegiScan – HB1207 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1207/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1207-911518

The Fund Property Bill

New fund aims to change property tax rules in North Dakota

ND HB1575 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, it might change how much you pay in property taxes. It's important to watch what happens next.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — Some funds are created for tax relief..
New funds for property tax relief may help some homeowners.
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — Changes could affect tax credits..
Changes to tax credits may impact everyday people.
- Who Bears the Cost** (neutral) — Tax changes could shift costs..
How property taxes are calculated may affect costs for homeowners.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — The bill is still in the early stages..
More discussion is needed to understand the full impact.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (10R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate • 2025-05-02 — failed
Yes 0R/0D • No 41R/5D

Legacy fund definitions, the legacy earnings fund, and the primary residence credit; to provide an appropriation; to provide for a transfer; to provide an effective date; and to provide an expiration date.

Engrossed · recorded 2025-02-25

This bill would change how property taxes work, which could affect what you pay.

Everyday People

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1575-930667

The Property Taxes Bill

New fund aims to help with property taxes in North Dakota

ND HB1168 • Money & Damages

5/10

TOLERATE

Mixed — some good, some bad



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If this bill passes, it could help people pay their property taxes. It is important to watch how this develops.

WHY IT SCORES 5/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — The bill includes provisions for management studies..
The legislative management study could improve fund oversight.
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — It protects homeowners from sudden tax increases..
Limiting tax hikes without voter approval helps safeguard rights.
- Who Bears the Cost** (neutral) — Funding sources are not clearly defined..
It is unclear who will pay for the new funds.
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — The process for fund management needs more clarity..
More details on fund management could improve transparency.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (8R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2025-05-02 — failed

Yes 12R/1D • No 67R/10D

Legacy fund definitions and the legacy earnings fund; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide for a legislative management study, to provide an appropriation; to provide an effective date; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.

Engrossed · recorded 2025-02-25

This bill would create funds to help with property taxes and support homeowners in North Dakota.

Everyday People

Official text (ND HB1168) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1168.html>

LegiScan – HB1168 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1168/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1168-909037

The Save Money Bill

North Dakota homeowners could save money on property taxes

ND HB1335 • Housing & Property

9/10

LIBERATE

Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill aimed to lower property taxes for people who own homes in North Dakota. If it had passed, homeowners would have paid less in taxes, which could have helped many families keep more of their money. Even though it failed to pass this time, it shows that some lawmakers want to help homeowners with tax relief. Citizens who want lower property taxes might want to watch if a similar bill comes up again.

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Who Bears the Cost (helps) — Helps homeowners.

The bill would have given a tax credit to homeowners, reducing their property tax burden.

Funding Tilt (helps) — Benefits homeowners.

The tax credit would directly benefit homeowners by reducing the amount of property tax...

Process Transparency (neutral) — Standard process.

The bill followed the normal legislative steps, including introduction, committee...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: North Dakota homeowners

Bearing the cost: North Dakota state government (lost tax revenue)

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (7R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2025-02-12 — failed

Yes 26R/9D • No 56R/2D

The homestead tax credit; and to provide an effective date.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-13

This bill would have given North Dakota homeowners a tax credit, helping them save money on their property taxes each year.

Everyday People

Official text (ND HB1335) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1335.html>

LegiScan – HB1335 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1335/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1335-916670

The Loved Ones Bill

Tax break for families caring for loved ones at home

ND HB1289 • Housing & Property

9/10

LIBERATE

Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill tried to help families who care for sick or elderly loved ones at home by lowering their property taxes. It would have made it easier for people to afford to keep their family members at home instead of sending them to a facility. However, the bill failed to pass, meaning families who provide in-home care will not get this tax help right now. It is important to watch if similar bills come up again, as they could...

WHY IT SCORES 9/10 — THE RECEIPTS

Accountability (neutral) — Not directly related to government accountability..

The bill's focus is on tax relief, not government oversight.

Rights & Protections (helps) — It would help families afford to care for loved ones at home..

By reducing property tax burdens, the bill would protect the financial well-being of...

Who Bears the Cost (helps) — Families providing care would pay less in property taxes..

The bill would shift some of the financial burden of in-home care away from individual...

Process Transparency (neutral) — The bill went through the normal legislative steps..

The bill was introduced, had a committee hearing, and was voted on, following standard...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Residential property owners providing in-home care

Bearing the cost: Local governments (lost tax revenue), potentially other taxpayers

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (7R / 1D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2025-01-30 — failed

Yes 26R/6D • No 56R/5D

A partial property tax exemption for residential property used for in-home care services for a qualifying individual; and to provide an effective date.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-13

This bill would give a tax break to people who care for family members at home, making it cheaper to provide care.

Everyday People

Official text (ND HB1289) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1289.html>

LegiScan — HB1289 — <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1289/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1289-916279

The Home Foreclosures Bill

North Dakota bill stops home tax foreclosures, offers credit

ND HB1586 • Housing & Property

8/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill tried to help North Dakota homeowners by making it harder for them to lose their primary home over unpaid property taxes. It also would have given them a tax credit. While this bill did not pass, it shows that some lawmakers want to protect people from losing their homes due to tax issues. If similar bills come up again, it will be important for people to speak up about whether they think the state should be able to...

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — Neutral impact.
The bill focuses on homeowner protection and tax collection methods, not direct...
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — Protects homeowners.
The bill would eliminate foreclosure of tax liens for primary residential property...
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — State may bear cost.
The bill creates a primary residence credit, which could reduce state tax revenue, and...
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — Neutral impact.
The bill does not include specific provisions to increase or decrease process...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: Homeowners
Bearing the cost: North Dakota state government

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (12R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2025-02-12 — failed
Yes 22R/0D • No 60R/11D

The primary residence credit, setoff of income tax refunds for payment of delinquent real property and special assessment taxes, and eliminating foreclosure of tax liens for primary residential property; to provide an effective date; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-20

This bill would help people keep their homes by stopping tax foreclosures and giving a tax credit, making it easier to pay property taxes.

Everyday People

Official text (ND HB1586) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1586.html>

LegiScan — HB1586 — <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1586/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1586-930481

The Public Service Bill

Public service commission to regulate where data centers can be built

ND HB1427 • Housing & Property

8/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This bill would have given a state group, the Public Service Commission, the power to decide where large data centers can be built. This is important because data centers are big buildings that use a lot of power and can change how a neighborhood looks or functions. Having a state group check where they are built could help make sure they do not cause problems for people living nearby, like too much noise or strain on local...

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Increases oversight for data center siting..
The bill would give the Public Service Commission the power to regulate where data...
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Protects communities from unchecked development..
By regulating siting compatibility, the bill would help protect local residents from...
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Costs of compliance would fall on developers..
Any costs related to meeting siting compatibility rules and penalties would be borne by...
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Establishes a public regulatory process..
Authorizing the Public Service Commission to regulate implies a public process for siting...

FOLLOW THE MONEY

- Pushing for it:** Local communities (through protection from negative impacts)
- Bearing the cost:** Data center developers (through compliance costs and penalties)

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (4R / 0D)

Authorization for the public service commission to regulate the siting compatibility for data centers; and to provide a penalty.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-13

This bill would let a state group decide where big computer buildings can go, helping protect neighborhoods from bad locations.

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1427-916857

YOUR NOTES

The School Meals Bill

Free school meals stay funded for families with unpaid debt

ND HB1100 • Money & Damages

8/10 **LIBERATE**
Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If passed, families won't lose meals for kids because of unpaid bills, but the state may have to cover extra costs, so voters should watch the budget impact.

WHY IT SCORES 8/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — exemption keeps meals funded.
no change to oversight
- Rights & Protections** (helps) — protects kids' right to meals.
keeps meals despite debt
- Who Bears the Cost** (hurts) — state pays.
funding burden may increase
- Process Transparency** (helps) — report required.
adds oversight

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (6R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2025-02-12 — failed
Yes 10R/10D • No 71R/1D

A BILL for an Act to provide an exemption to continue free school meal funding for qualified delinquent meal debt and to provide for a legislative management report.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-07

The bill would let schools keep giving free meals to kids even if families owe money on past meals.

Everyday People

Official text (ND HB1100) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo1100.html>

LegiScan – HB1100 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1100/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1100-900006

The Campaign Finance Bill

North Dakota bill tightens campaign finance disclosure rules

ND HBI377 • Immunity & Accountability

7/10

LIBERATE

Helps everyday people



WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

The bill could make campaign money more transparent, letting everyday North Dakotans know who is behind political ads. It also adds fines for noncompliance, encouraging honesty. If you care about fair elections, now is the time to speak up before the bill moves forward.

WHY IT SCORES 7/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Adds penalties for nondisclosure.
Improves oversight of campaign money
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Gives voters clearer information.
Enhances transparency for everyday citizens
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — Penalties fall on candidates or committees.
No direct cost to taxpayers shown
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Updates reporting thresholds and filing rules.
Makes the filing process more open

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (10R / 0D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate • 2025-05-02 — failed

Yes 5R/0D • No 34R/5D

Campaign disclosure statements; to provide a penalty; to provide for application; and to provide an effective date.

Engrossed · recorded 2025-01-24

The bill would require candidates to file detailed donation reports and add penalties for missing disclosures, helping voters see who funds campaigns.

Everyday People

Official text (ND HB1377) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bol1377.html>

LegisScan – HB1377 – <https://legiscan.com/ND/bill/HB1377/2025>

Live status, community verdicts and how your own reps voted — www.obillerate.com/bill/nd-hb1377-916862

The Contraceptive Health Bill

North Dakota bill aims to protect contraceptive health care rights

ND HB1478 • Healthcare & Insurance

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

This could help families plan better and keep health costs low, but opponents may argue it forces doctors to provide services they disagree with.

WHY IT SCORES 7/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Rights & Protections (helps)** — adds explicit right to contraceptive care.
Positive impact on personal health choices
- Accountability (helps)** — creates penalty for violations.
Enforces compliance
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — no cost shift mentioned.
Funding unclear
- Process Transparency (helps)** — adds new chapter clarifying rights.
Improves legal clarity

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Bipartisan sponsorship (6R / 2D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House • 2025-02-12 — failed
Yes 16R/11D • No 66R/0D

THE BILL ITSELF

Contraceptive health care rights; and to provide a penalty.

ND HB1478 Introduced · recorded 2025-01-17

WHAT IT DOES

The bill would give people a clear right to get birth control and punish anyone who blocks that care.

WHO IT’S WRITTEN FOR

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Official text (ND HB1478) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bol478.html>

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YOUR NOTES

The Fertility Care Bill

New fertility care rights bill introduced in North Dakota

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If passed, patients could more easily access IVF or other fertility help, and doctors who refuse could face fines, so families may get more support now.

WHY IT SCORES 7/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Adds penalties for violations.
Penalties aim to enforce fertility rights
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Creates explicit rights to fertility care.
Gives people legal right to receive fertility treatments
- Who Bears the Cost (neutral)** — Cost of penalties unclear.
No funding details provided
- Process Transparency (neutral)** — Bill introduced but no details on process.
Limited information on implementation

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Bipartisan sponsorship (4R / 2D)

HOW THEY VOTED

House · 2025-02-12 — failed
Yes 23R/11D · No 59R/0D

Fertility health care treatment rights; and to provide a penalty.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-17

The bill would give people the right to get fertility treatments and set penalties for anyone who blocks those services.

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The Pushes Health Bill

North Dakota pushes health cost transparency for patients

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

If passed, North Dakota residents could compare health care costs before treatment, making it harder for providers to surprise them with big bills; the penalty may push facilities to be more open, but they might raise prices to cover the new costs.

WHY IT SCORES 7/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability (helps)** — Adds penalties for hiding costs..
Providers face fines if they do not show prices.
- Rights & Protections (helps)** — Gives patients price information..
Patients can see costs before care.
- Who Bears the Cost (helps)** — Costs shift to providers via penalties..
Fines are paid by health facilities, not patients.
- Process Transparency (helps)** — Requires clear cost disclosure..
Facilities must publish price details.

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Republican-sponsored (9R / 2D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate • 2025-03-28 — failed
Yes 23R/0D • No 17R/5D

Health care facility and preferred provider compliance with medical cost transparency requirements; and to provide a penalty.

ND HB1594

WHO IT'S WRITTEN FOR

YOUR NOTES

The Homestead Credit Bill

New homestead tax credit for disabled veterans introduced in ND

ND SB2298 · Housing & Property

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WHAT THIS MEANS FOR YOU

Homeowners could see a smaller tax bill, and disabled veterans would get extra relief, but the state would need to fund the cuts, so taxpayers should watch the budget debate.

WHY IT SCORES 7/10 — THE RECEIPTS

- Accountability** (neutral) — no new oversight.
Bill does not change who enforces tax rules
- Rights & Protections** (neutral) — does not affect legal rights.
No change to ability to sue
- Who Bears the Cost** (helps) — tax relief shifts cost to state.
State will lose revenue, taxpayers may fund it
- Process Transparency** (neutral) — standard legislative process.
Bill follows usual committee steps

FOLLOW THE MONEY

Pushing for it: homeowners
Bearing the cost: state

WHO'S BEHIND IT

Democrat-sponsored (0R / 1D)

HOW THEY VOTED

Senate · 2025-02-12 — failed
Yes 3R/5D · No 39R/0D

The homestead credit certification and disabled veterans' credit; to provide for retroactive application; to provide an effective date; and to provide an expiration date.

Introduced · recorded 2025-01-20

The bill would lower property taxes for owners who live in their home and give extra credit to disabled veterans, applying retroactively.

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Official text (ND SB2298) — <https://ndlegis.gov/assembly/69-2025/regular/bill-overview/bo2298.html>

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