

**Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1254  
(Representative Vetter)  
(Senator Meyer)

AN ACT to provide for a legislative management study of the types of spousal support ordered by the district court.

**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - SPOUSAL SUPPORT.** During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall study the types of spousal support ordered by the district court and the desirability and feasibility of providing statutory guidance for awards of spousal support. The study must include input from practicing attorneys in the area of family law and the division of child support. The study must include a review of the frequency and duration of spousal support awards that are entered in the state. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly.

Kim A. Hoelmer  
Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

Bull J. Reick  
Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1254.

House Vote:      Yeas 71                  Nays 23                  Absent 0

Senate Vote:      Yeas 41                  Nays 6                  Absent 0

Bull J. Reick  
Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 9:25 A.M. on April 20, 2021.

Approved at 8:17 P.M. on April 21, 2021.

[Signature]  
Governor

Filed in this office this 22nd day of April, 2021,  
at 9:23 o'clock A. M.

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Secretary of State