

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1071
(Political Subdivisions Committee)
(At the request of the Adjutant General)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 37-17.1-07 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to local or regional emergency management organizations.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 37-17.1-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

37-17.1-07. Local or regional emergency management organizations.

1. All areas of the state are within the jurisdiction of and must be served by the division of homeland security ~~and/or~~ by a local or ~~regional~~multicounty emergency management organization.
2. Each county shall maintain an emergency management organization that serves the entire county or must be a member of a ~~regional~~multicounty emergency management organization that serves more than one county or must be a member of the state regional emergency management program.
3. Each city shall provide an emergency management organization of its own, or it shall participate in the countywide emergency management organization. Each governing board of a city shall make its determination ~~on the basis of~~based on the city's emergency management requirements, hazards, capabilities, and resources. If a city provides an emergency management organization of its own, the city and county shall coordinate the city and county emergency plans.
4. The mayor of or the president of the board of city commissioners in a city with an emergency management organization and the chairman of the board of county commissioners shall notify the division of homeland security of the manner in which the city and the county are providing or securing emergency management activities, identify each individual who will coordinate the activities of the local emergency management organization, and furnish additional information relating thereto as the division requires.
5. Each local or ~~regional~~multicounty emergency management organization shall prepare and keep current a local disaster or emergency operational plan for its area.
6. Each local or ~~regional~~multicounty emergency management organization shall prepare and distribute to all appropriate officials in written form a clear and complete statement of the disaster or emergency responsibilities of their local agencies and officials.
7. Each local emergency management organization that is a member of the state regional emergency management program shall compensate the state an amount not to exceed fifty percent of the regional coordinator's salary and benefits. If multiple counties within a region participate in the state regional emergency management program, the amount of compensation to the state will be proportioned based on population.

Dennis Johnson
Speaker of the House

Paul Schull
President of the Senate

Bull J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Donald Meyer
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1071.

House Vote: Yeas 61 Nays 32 Absent 1

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 1 Absent 2

Bull J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 10:55 A.M. on March 14, 2023.

Approved at 8:26 P.M. on March 14, 2023.

Doug Burgum
Governor

Filed in this office this 15th day of March, 2023,

at 2:58 o'clock p. M.

Michael Howe
Secretary of State