

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

SENATE BILL NO. 2050
(State and Local Government Committee)
(At the request of the Attorney General)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 54-12-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the director of the state crime laboratory.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 54-12-24 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. A state crime laboratory is created as a division of the office of the attorney general. This division consists of a director, the state toxicologist, and such other personnel as may be appointed by the attorney general. The state crime laboratory may establish and charge fees for services rendered. The state crime laboratory must be administratively separated from the bureau of criminal investigation. The director ~~serves at the pleasure of the attorney general~~ and is entitled to receive a salary set by the attorney general within the limits of legislative appropriation.

Michelle L. Anderson
President of the Senate

Robi Lewis
Speaker of the House

Grand Morgan
Secretary of the Senate

Bruce J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2050.

Senate Vote: Yeas 46 Nays 0 Absent 1

House Vote: Yeas 87 Nays 3 Absent 3

Grand Morgan
Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at 3:20 P.M. on March 12th, 2025.

Approved at 1:17 P.M. on March 14th, 2025.

[Signature]
Governor

Filed in this office this 14th day of March, 2025,

at 4:35 o'clock P M.

Michael Howe
Secretary of State