

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

SENATE BILL NO. 2238  
(Senators Hogan, Braunberger, Kreun, Weber)  
(Representative Mitskog)

AN ACT to provide for a legislative management study relating to criminal history record checks; and to provide an appropriation.

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

**SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECK PROCESS.** During the 2023-24 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the statewide criminal history record check process. The study may include a comparison between the statewide and nationwide criminal history record check standards, a review of the average processing time of a requested criminal history record check, and an evaluation of methods to improve efficiency and processing times of the statewide criminal history record check process. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

**SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES - CRIMINAL HISTORY RECORD CHECKS.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$300,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of health and human services for the purpose of salary and wages for personnel to process fingerprints and complete required criminal history record checks and for the purchase of two fingerprint scanners, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025. The department is authorized two full-time equivalent positions to process fingerprints for criminal history record checks.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2238.

Senate Vote:    Yeas 45            Nays 2            Absent 0

House Vote:    Yeas 90            Nays 1            Absent 3

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2023.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2023,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State