

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1543

(Representatives Meier, K. Anderson, Bolinske, Dobervich, Frelich, Heinert, Holle, Rohr, Weisz)
(Senators Cleary, Dever, Hogan)

AN ACT to provide for a legislative management study regarding prescription drug pricing and the maximum fair price as determined by the federal government.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - PRESCRIPTION DRUG PRICING.

1. During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying prescription drug pricing and the maximum fair price for a drug as published by the secretary of the United States department of health and human services.
2. The study must include consideration of federal drug price negotiations under the Federal Inflation Reduction Act of 2022 [Pub. L. 117-169; 26 U.S.C. 55 et seq.] and overlap with current drugs paid for by the public employees retirement system to determine usage and potential cost-savings to the state and consumers.
3. The study must include input from:
 - a. The public employees retirement system;
 - b. The insurance commissioner;
 - c. The state board of pharmacy; and
 - d. Other stakeholders.
4. The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation necessary to implement the recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.

Rohi Weiss
Speaker of the House

Brad Belkheadahl
President of the Senate

Bruce J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Sharon Morgan
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1543.

House Vote: Yeas 89 Nays 4 Absent 1

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 1 Absent 2

Bruce J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

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Approved at 11:04 AM on March 25, 2025.

[Signature]
Governor

Filed in this office this 26th day of March, 2025,
at 12:44 o'clock P M.

Michael Howe
Secretary of State