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Bill No & Comm.	Description	City Position and Justification	Action		Staff Assignment
			House	Senate	
HB 1020 APPR Referred to S NATRES	State Water Commission funding to include Red River Valley water supply project and SSFC project	SUPPORT with flood appropriation funding amendment proposed by ND Water Coalition	H 1/7 H 1/21 A DP 2/18 A, P 2/19 89-4	H 3/5	Zavoral
HB 1182 TRAN Referred to S TRAN	Point reduction for safety belt use	OPPOSE	H 1/19 DNP 1/23 P 1/29 56-38	H 2/26	Ternes
HB 1234 FINTAX Referred to S FINTAX	Raises maximum amount of property tax exemption for home owned and occupied by blind person up to \$160,000	SUPPORT	H 1/18 DP 1/22 P 1/23 87-0		Hushka
HB 1241 FINTAX Referred to S FINTAX	Notice of increased assessment for property taxes valuation changes not required for changes less than \$3,000 or 10%	SUPPORT	H 1/21 DNP 1/27 Rereferred DP 2/4 P 2/6 89-0		Hushka Costin
HB 1268 FINTAX APPR Referred to S FINTAX	Sales and use tax exemption for clothing	OPPOSE	H 2/2 Rereferred P 2/17 66-26	H 3/3	Costin

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HB 1313 APPR Referred to S APPR	Bill for an act to create a one-time infrastructure spending fund, to provide a transfer and to declare an emergency	SUPPORT	H 1/19 A, DP 2/10 A, 2/11 P 2/13 56-35	H 3/2	Costin
HB 1317 FINTAX APPR Referred to S FINTAX	Eliminates 4.5% excise tax on pull tabs and 3% on bingo card sales, thereby reducing local govt. gaming enforcement funding	SUPPORT amended House Bill	H 1/21 A, DP 2/6 Rereferred DP 2/16 P 2/18 85-8		Costin
HB 1346 JUD Referred to S GVA	Placement of a question on the ballot to establish a local advisory study committee	OPPOSE	H 1/26 DP 1/28 P 2/3 85-8		Zavoral
HB 1348 GVA Referred to SGVA	Possession of a firearm or dangerous weapon by a person licensed to carry a concealed weapon	OPPOSE	H 1/30 A, DP 2/16 P 2/18 48-46		Ternes
HB 1367 GVA Referred to S GVA	Eliminates the need to obtain a local charity permit for raffles with prizes less than \$6000	SUPPORT	H 2/6 DP 2/6 P 2/10 81-12	H 3/5	Costin
HB 1398 POLSUB Referred to S IBL	60% voter approval of public building projects funding through a building authority or other indirect means for acquisition, new construction and remodeling building projects	OPPOSE Prohibits bonding for remodeling & basic City facility construction, i.e. fire stations, police precincts w/o a 60% vote of public	H 2/12 A, DP 2/16 P 2/18 61-33		Costin

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HB 1412 POLSUB Referred to S FINTAX	Fee imposed for emergency services communications subject to voter approval to increase or decrease vs. mandatory vote every six years	SUPPORT	H 2/12 DP 2/16 P 2/18 57-37		Costin
HB 1428 POLSUB Referred to S FINTAX	Extension of duration of a Renaissance Zone program, available income tax credits for RZ investments and	SUPPORT	H 1/30 DP 2/5 P 2/9 93-0	H 3/4	Gilmour Stein
HB 1503 APPR	Create and enact a state disaster relief fund with a \$44 million appropriation	SUPPORT	H 1/28 P 2/16 70-22		Costin
HB 1510 GVA Referred to S IBL	Veterans' preference	OPPOSE	H 1/29 A, DP 2/6 A 2/9 P 2/12 89-0		Minette
HB 1517 FINTAX Referred to S FINTAX	Limitation on sales, use and gross receipts taxes imposed by a county or city under home rule authority, imposes a 1% sales tax cap for local tax	OPPOSE	H 2/10 A, DP 2/13 P 2/17 51-40		Costin
HB 1554 POLSUB Referred to S GVA	ET zoning jurisdiction of cities	OPPOSE	H 2/5 A, DP 2/17 P 2/19 52-40		Gilmour
SB 2012 APPR Referred to H APPR	NDDOT funding and Highway Tax Distributions	SUPPORT	H 3/4	H 1/19 A, DP 2/18 A, P 2/19 46-0	Bittner Zavoral

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SB 2027 GVA Referred to S POLSUB	Joint jurisdiction in ET zoning area	SUPPORT with Senate amendments		H 1/23 A, DP 2/16 P 2/18 46-0	Gilmour
SB 2040 FINTAX APPR Referred to H FINTAX	Sales and use tax exemption for equipment uses in telecommunications	OPPOSE		H 1/13 A, DP 2/6 A 2/9, rereferred H 2/13 P 2/18 27-18	Costin
SB 2051 FINTAX APPR Referred to H-NATRES	Elimination of limits on the amount of oil impact fund and counties receive under oil and gas gross production tax	OPPOSE -- City supports Governor's proposal to increase caps	H 2/27	H 1/20 A, DP 2/5 Rereferred 2/6 DP, H 2/10 P 2/12 47-0	Zavoral
SB 2055 IBL Referred to H-IBL	Worker's Comp fire and law enforcement officer's presumption	SUPPORT	H 3/2	H 1/19 DP 1/21 P 1/22 46-0	Hoover Ternes Minette Costin
SB 2060 IBL Referred to H-FINTAX	Renaissance zone expansion of utility infrastructure	SUPPORT	H 3/2	H 1/13 H 1/21 A, DP 1/22 A 1/23 P 1/26 46-0	Gilmour Stein

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SB 2169 JUD Referred to H JUD	Law enforcement records of a child	SUPPORT		H 1/20 DP 1/21 P 1/22 46-0	Ternes
SB 2171 JUD Referred to H-JUD	Termination of a residential lease by a victim of domestic violence	SUPPORT		H 1/20 A, DP 2/5 P 2/12 47-0	Ternes
SB 2172 JUD Referred to H JUD	Exempting law enforcement work schedules from open records requirements	SUPPORT		H 1/20 DP 1/21 P 1/22 46-0	Ternes
SB 2199 FINTAX APPR Referred to H FINTAX	Allocation of state funds to school districts for mill levy reduction grants, property tax levies of school districts	SUPPORT		H 1/21 A, DP 2/12 Rereferred H 2/17 A, DP 2/18 A, P 2/19 46-0	Costin Zavoral
SB 2201 FINTAX APPR Referred to H FINTAX	Property tax credit & exemption for disabled vets is expanded to higher limits and to pay taxing entities for revenue loss from this exemption	SUPPORT		H 1/19 DP 1/19 P 1/19 42-0 Reconsidered 1/20 Rereferred H 1/27 DNP 2/17 P 2/19 29-17	Hushka

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SB 2210 JUD Referred to H JUD	Killing or injury of a law enforcement support animal and to provide a penalty	SUPPORT		H 1/27 A, DP 1/28 A 1/29 P 1/30 45-0	Ternes
SB 2228 TRAN APPR Referred to H TRAN	Establish a state biofuels blender pumps and renewable energy grant program	SUPPORT		H 1/23 A, DP 1/30 A 2/2 Rereferred H 2/6 A, DP 2/18 A 2/19 P 2/19 44-2	Williams
SB 2239 FINTAX Referred to H FINTAX	Property tax assessments for new construction for up to 3 years if unoccupied	OPPOSE		H 2/11 A, DP 2/17 P 2/19 46-0	Hushka
SB 2241 TRAN APPR Referred to H-TRAN	Fee for an overwidth vehicle or load - would reduce the yearly over-dimensional fee from \$500 to \$100	OPPOSE	H 3/5	H 1/29 Rereferred H 2/5 DP 2/10 P 2/13 46-0	Weigel
SB 2247 FINTAX Referred to H FINTAX	Property tax exemptions for new construction for up to 3 yrs if unoccupied	OPPOSE		H 2/11 DP 2/17 P 2/18 43-2	Hushka

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SB 2256 Referred to H POLSUB	Contracts between the state and a political subdivision	SUPPORT	H 3/6	H 1/29 DP 1/30 P 2/3 46-0	Zavoral
SB 2278 JUD Referred to H HUMSER	Discrimination on the basis of sexual orientation	SUPPORT		H 2/3 A, DP 2/17 P 2/18 27-19	Gilmour
SB 2291 AGR Referred to H AGR	Biofuel partnership in assisting community expansion fund	SUPPORT		H 1/29 DP 2/3 P 2/4 47-0	Zavoral Williams
SB 2298 NATRES Referred to H NATRES	Authorizing revenue bonds for the Red River Valley Water Supply Project	SUPPORT		H 2/13 A, DP 2/16 P 2/18 44-1	Zavoral
SB 2316 NATRES Referred to H-NATRES	NDSWC cost share for eligible drainage and flood control projects set at 65%. Provides that legal fees, engineering and land acquisition are to be eligible for state cost participation. Application appears to be predominantly for legal drain improvement projects.	SUPPORT	H 3/5	H 2/5 A, DNP 2/9 H 2/10 P 2/12 27-20	Zavoral
SB 2317 NATRES Referred to H-NATRES	Funding plan for the Red River Valley Water Supply Project	SUPPORT	H 3/5	H 2/5 DP 2/6 H 2/10 P 2/12 46-1	Zavoral

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SB 2325 FINTAX Referred to H FINTAX	Streamlined sales and use tax agreement adds digital products as taxable products	SUPPORT	H 3/4	H 1/26 DP 1/27 P 1/28 46-0	Costin
SB 2333 HUMSER APPR Referred to H HUMSER	Immunizations administered by public health units/public health networks	SUPPORT with amendments		H 1/27 H 2/2 A, DP 2/6 Rereferred H 2/13 DP 2/17 P 2/19 46-0	Bachmeier
SB 2349 TRAN Referred to H TRAN	Operation of bicycles - allows bicyclists to ride on the street even if a sidepath (bike trail or sidewalk) is adjacent to the street - current law requires the bicyclist to use the sidepath if available.	SUPPORT		H 1/30 DP 2/2 P 2/3 45-1	Bittner
SB 2352 POLSUB Referred to H POLSUB	Energy conservation standards for new buildings	SUPPORT	H 3/5	H 1/29 DP 1/30 P 2/3 45-1	Zavoral
SB 2402 FINTAX APPR Referred to H FINTAX	Homestead credit	SUPPORT		H 2/2 A, DP 2/6 A 2/9 rereferred H 2/17 DP 2/18P 2/19 46-0	Hushka