

Fifty-sixth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1036**

Introduced by

Legislative Council

(Electric Utilities Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 49-02 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to the power of the public service commission to address the year 2000  
3 computer problem; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 49-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Power of commission to address year 2000 computer problem.** Notwithstanding  
8 section 49-02-01.1, the commission may request from any North Dakota electric, gas,  
9 telephone, or pipeline public utility, and generation and transmission and rural electric  
10 distribution cooperative, status reports, contingency plans, and information on steps taken by  
11 that utility or cooperative to ensure that the state's utilities are addressing the year 2000  
12 computer problem in a timely manner.

13 **SECTION 2. EXPIRATION DATE.** This Act is effective through July 31, 2001, and  
14 after that date is ineffective.

15 **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.