

2018 Election Re-Cap, What's it all mean?

Western Dakota Energy Association

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North Dakota – 2018 General Election

- VOTER TURNOUT 329,086
- ELIGIBLE VOTERS 579,621
- PERCENT 56.78%

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Big Take-away News

- Republicans Swept All Statewide Offices
- All Republican Congressional Delegation (not since 1950s)
- Democrats gained 1 seat in State Senate
- Democrats gained 2 seats in State House
- Measure 1 passed (Transparency of funding sources, lobbyists, conflicts of interest, and establishment of ethics commission)
- Measure 3 failed (No recreational marijuana)

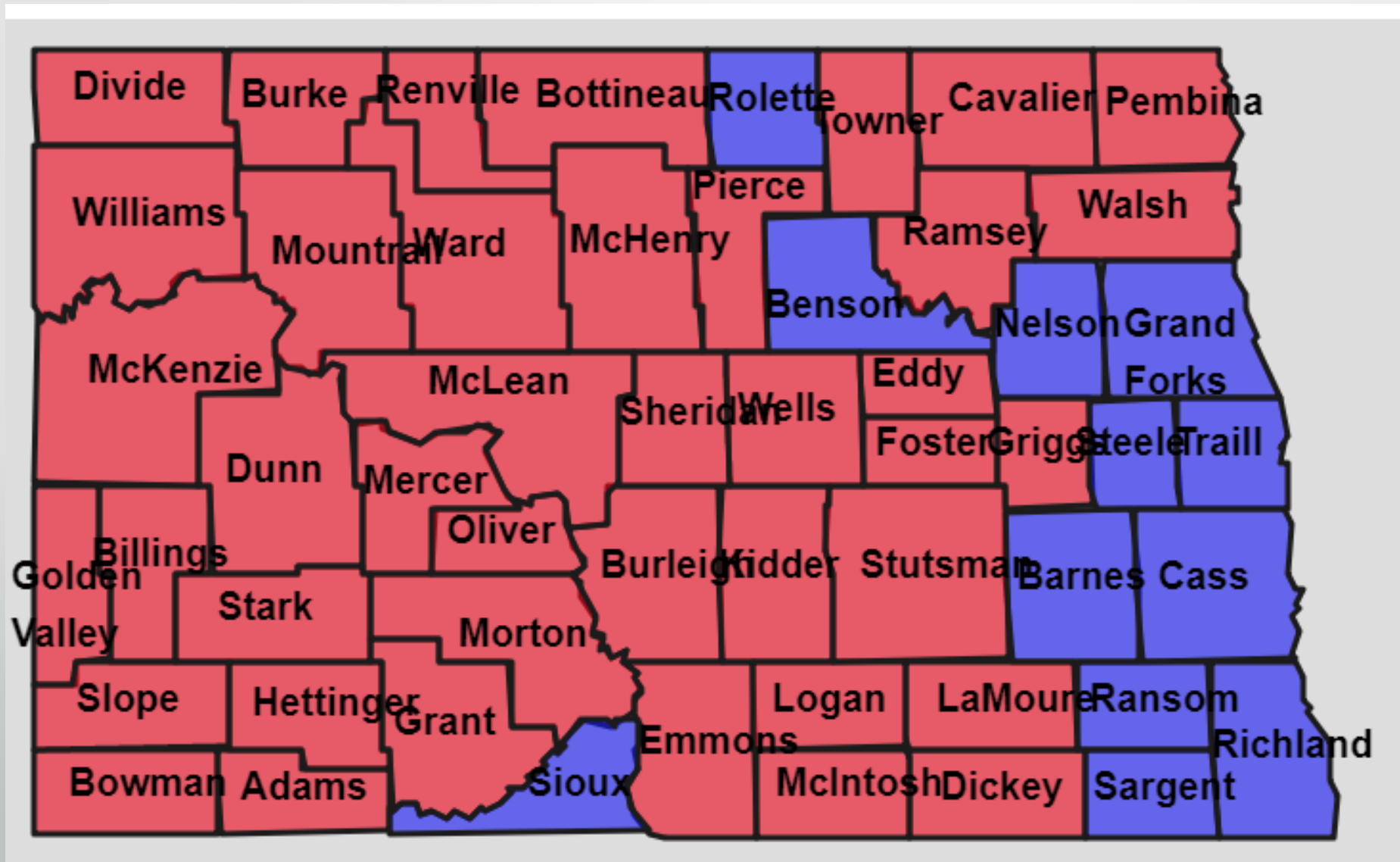


Federal Races

U.S. Senate Race (6 year term)

- Kevin Cramer (R) 55.10%
- Heidi Heitkamp (D) 44.27%
- 324,648 total votes (highest vote total for all statewide offices)
- Heitkamp won 12 counties, Cramer the rest
- Heitkamp won Sioux, Rolette, Benson, Nelson, Grand Forks, Steel, Trail, Barnes, Cass, Ransom, Sargent and Richland Counties.

U.S. Senate Race



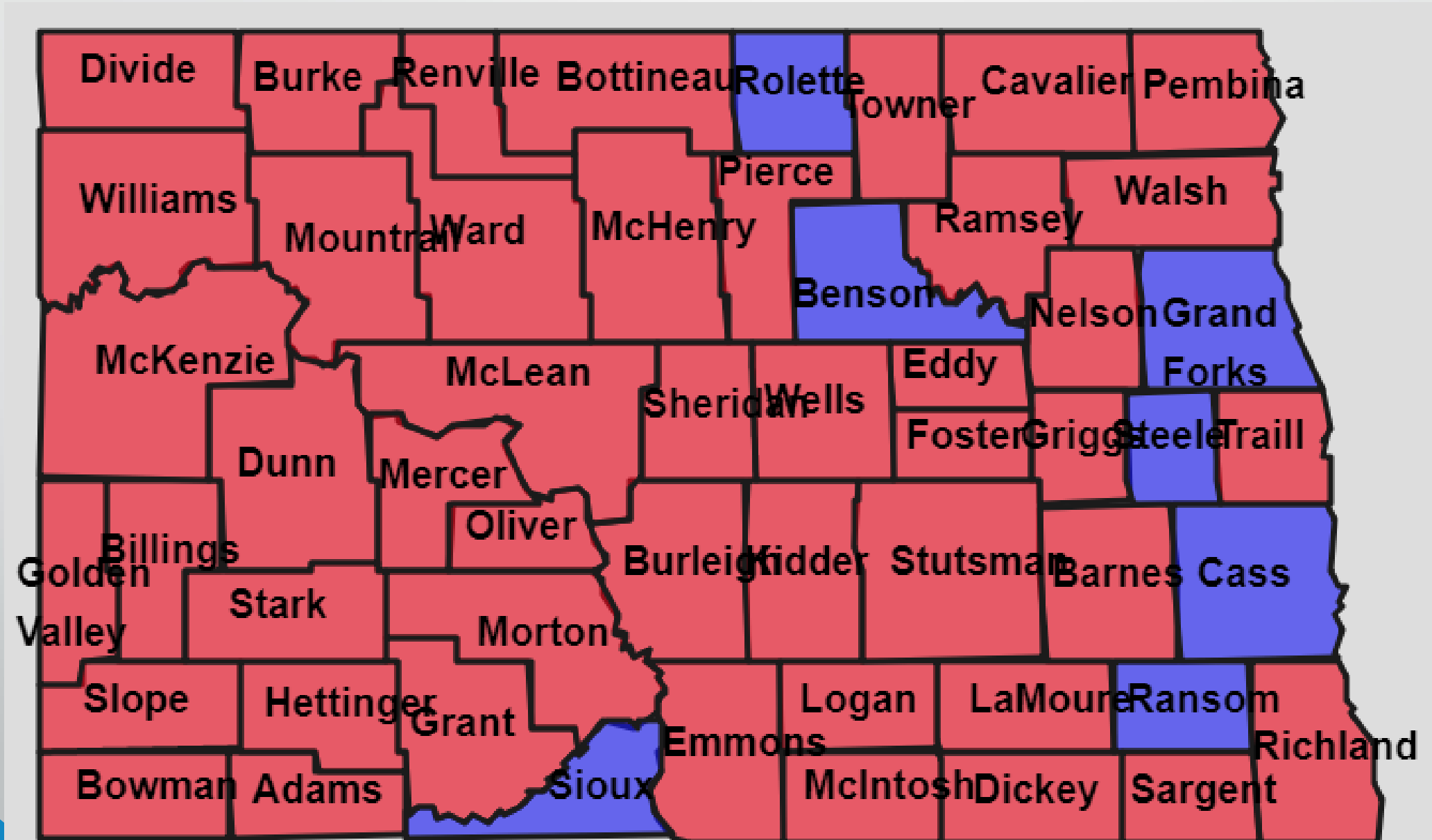
U.S. House Race (2 year term)

- Kelly Armstrong (R) 60.20%
- Mac Schneider (D) 35.57%
- Charles Tuttle (I) 4.06%

- Schneider won 6 counties, Armstrong the rest
- Schneider won Sioux, Rolette, Benson, Grand Forks, Steel, Cass and Ransom

- 320,148 total votes

U.S. House Race





Executive Branch

North Dakota Republicans swept all of the state executive branch offices, returning Republican incumbents to the Capitol in every race that was on the ballot.

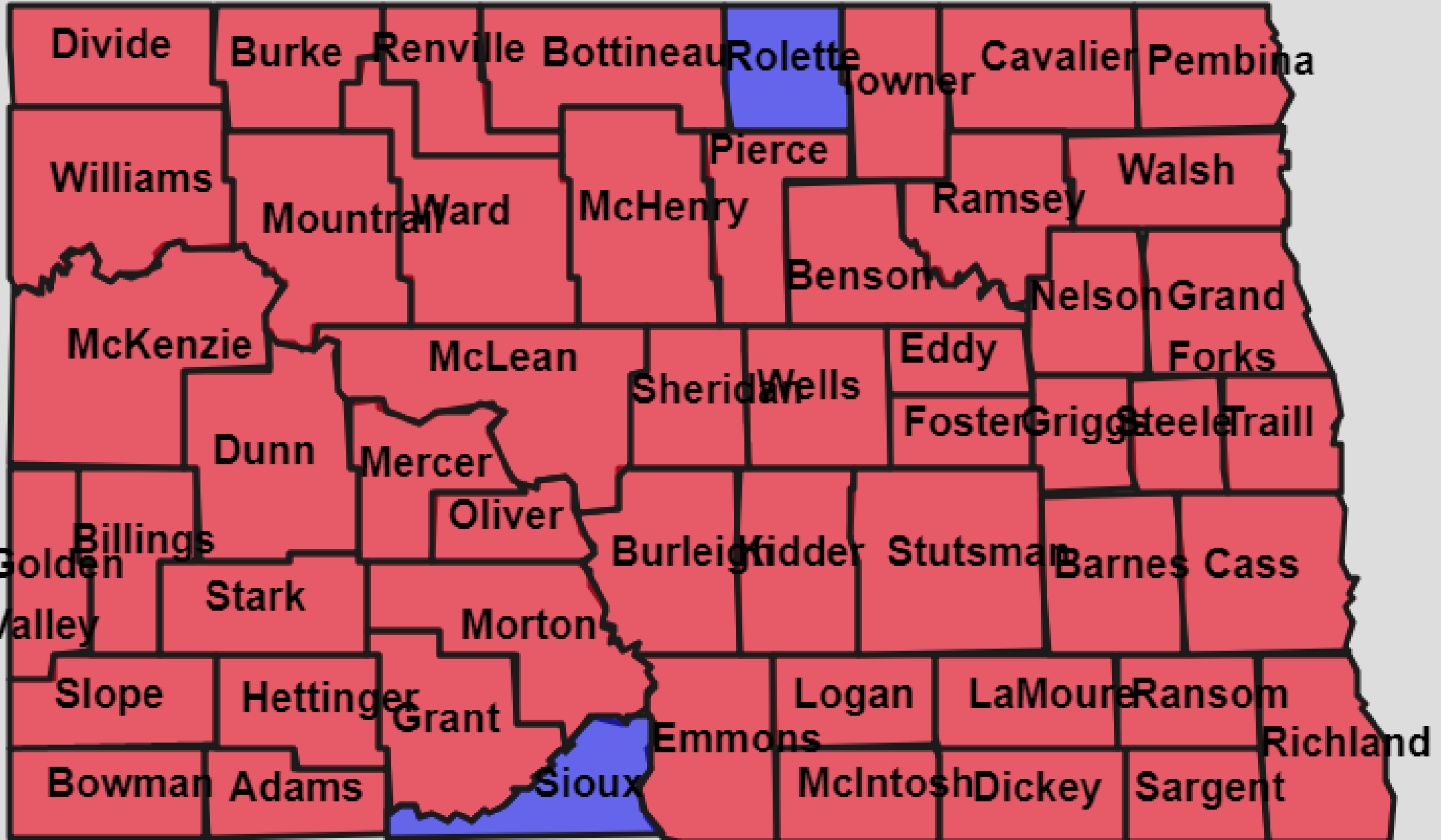
Secretary of State (4 year term)

- Al Jaeger (I) 47.27%
- Josh Boschee (D) 39.22%
- Michael Coachman (I) 13.20%
- 305,918 total votes

Attorney General (4 year term)

- Wayne Stenehjem (R) 67.55%
- David Thompson (D) 32.23%
- 317,779 total votes
- Stenehjem won all but two counties: Sioux and Rolette Counties

Attorney General



Agriculture Commissioner (4 year term)

- Doug Goehring (R) 67.77%
- (highest percentage for any statewide office on ballot)
- Jim Dotzenrod (D) 32.02%
- (lowest percentage for any statewide democrat on ballot)
- 313,849 total votes

Public Service Commissioner (6 year term)

- Randy Christmann (R) 61.63%
- Jean Brandt (D) 38.16%
- 308,175 total votes

Public Service Commissioner (Unexpired 2-year remainder of 6 year term)

- Brian Kroshus (R) 61.46%
- Casey Buchmann 38.34%
- 304,459 total votes (lowest vote total of all political offices)

Tax Commissioner (4 year term)

- Ryan Rauschenberger 58.59%
- Kylie Oversen 41.19%
- 311,379 total votes

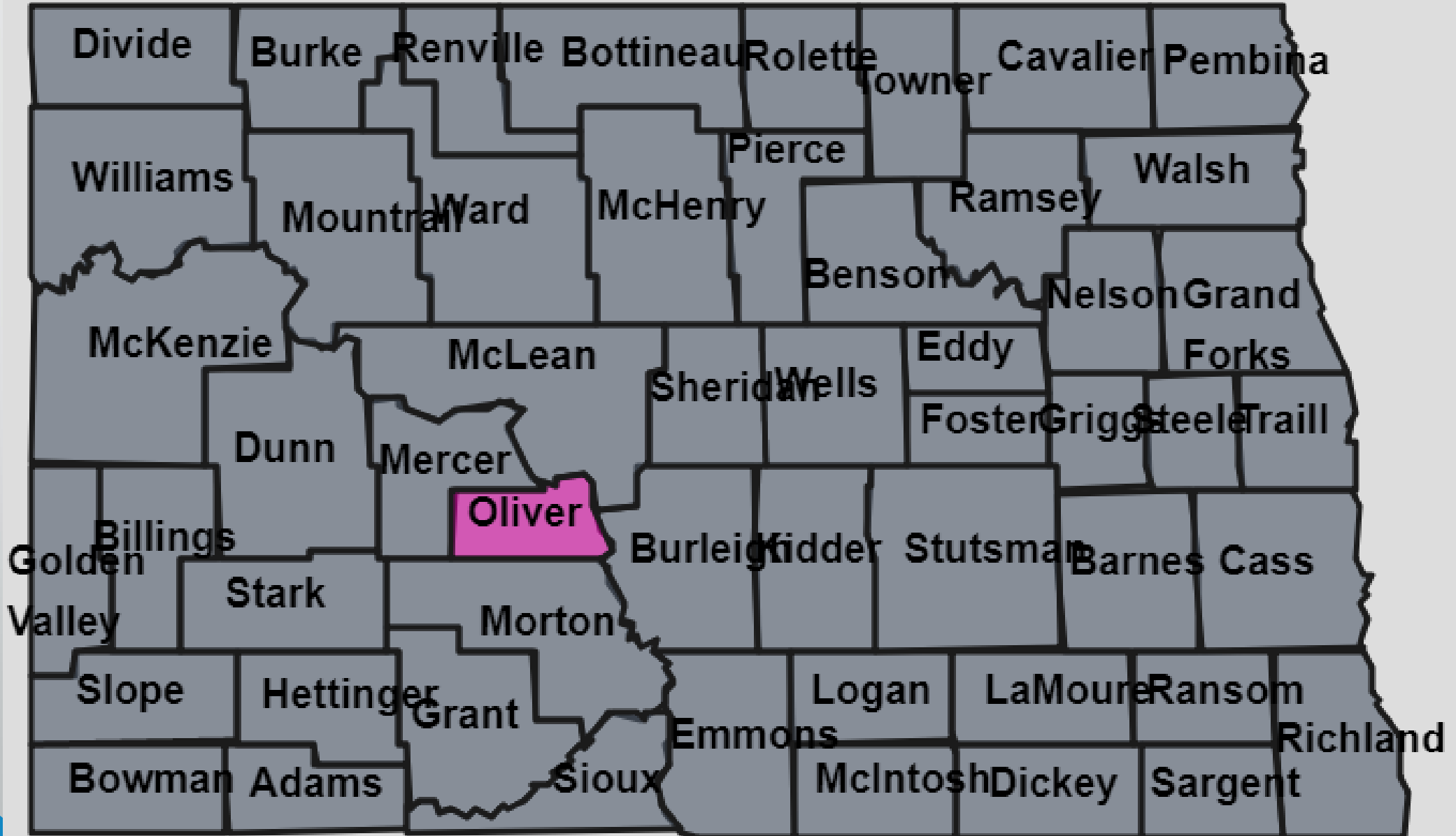


Judicial Branch

Justice of the Supreme Court (10 year term)

- Lisa Fair McEvers 65.57%
- Robert Bolinske Sr 33.90%
- 270,446 votes (lowest vote total of all statewide offices)
- McEvers won every county except Oliver.

Justice of the Supreme Court





Chairman – Three Affiliated Tribes

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***Unofficial Results (Tribal election board will announce official vote count later)**

Mark Fox	1,725 Votes	64.27%
<u>Tex Hall</u>	<u>959 Votes</u>	<u>35.73%</u>
Total	2,684 Votes	

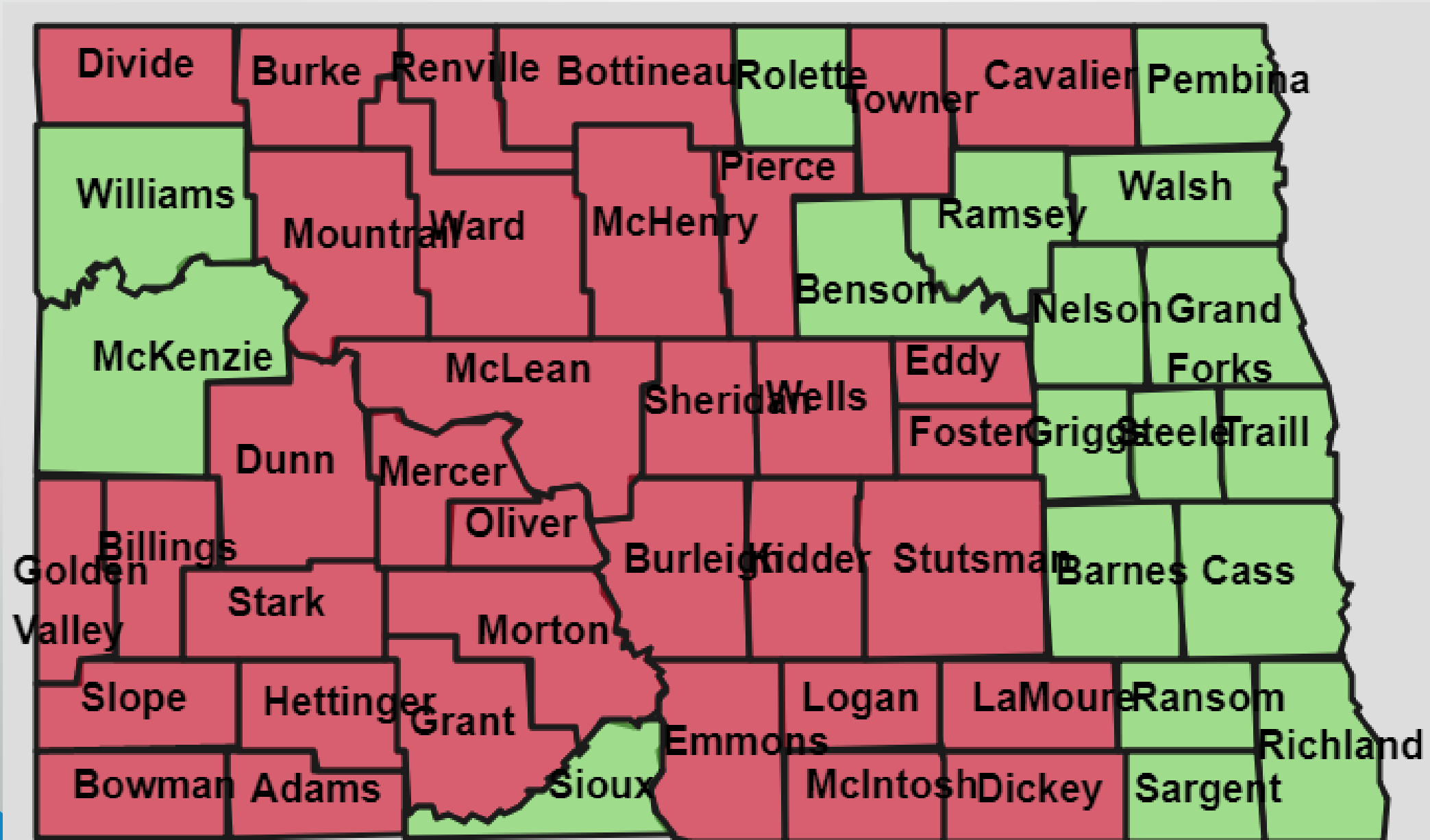


Statewide Measures

Measure 1 - Transparency, lobbyists, conflicts of interest, ethics commission

- Yes 53.62%
- No 46.38%
- 314,949 votes
- Eastern 3rd of the state, along with Williams and McKenzie Counties.
- *Expect some legal challenges to the measure based on the free speech, association, and due process arguments under the US Constitution.*

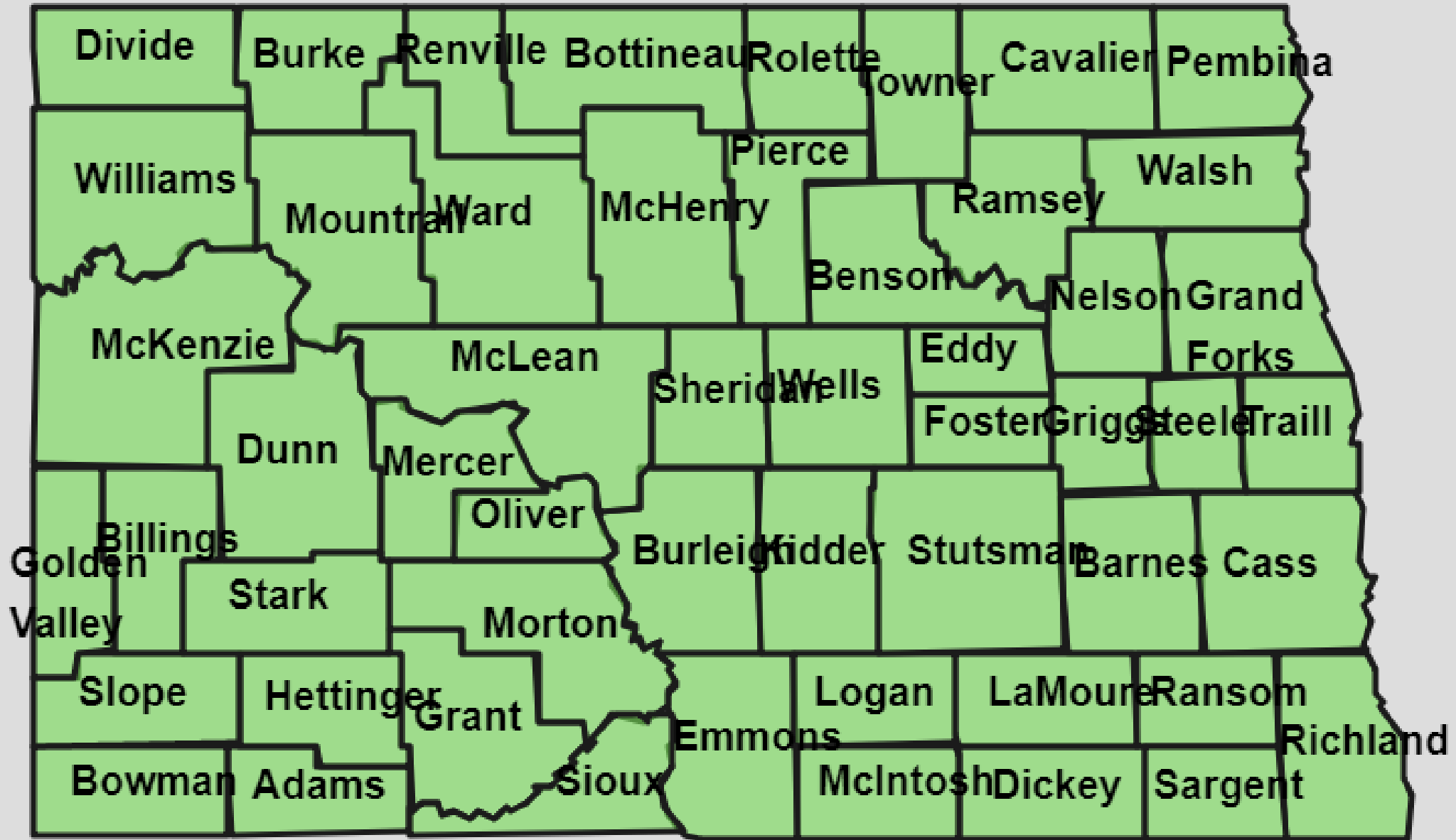
Measure 1



Measure 2 – Only U.S. Citizens Vote in ND

- Yes 65.93%
- No 34.07%
- 314,813 votes (lowest vote total for measures)
- Passed in every county of the state.

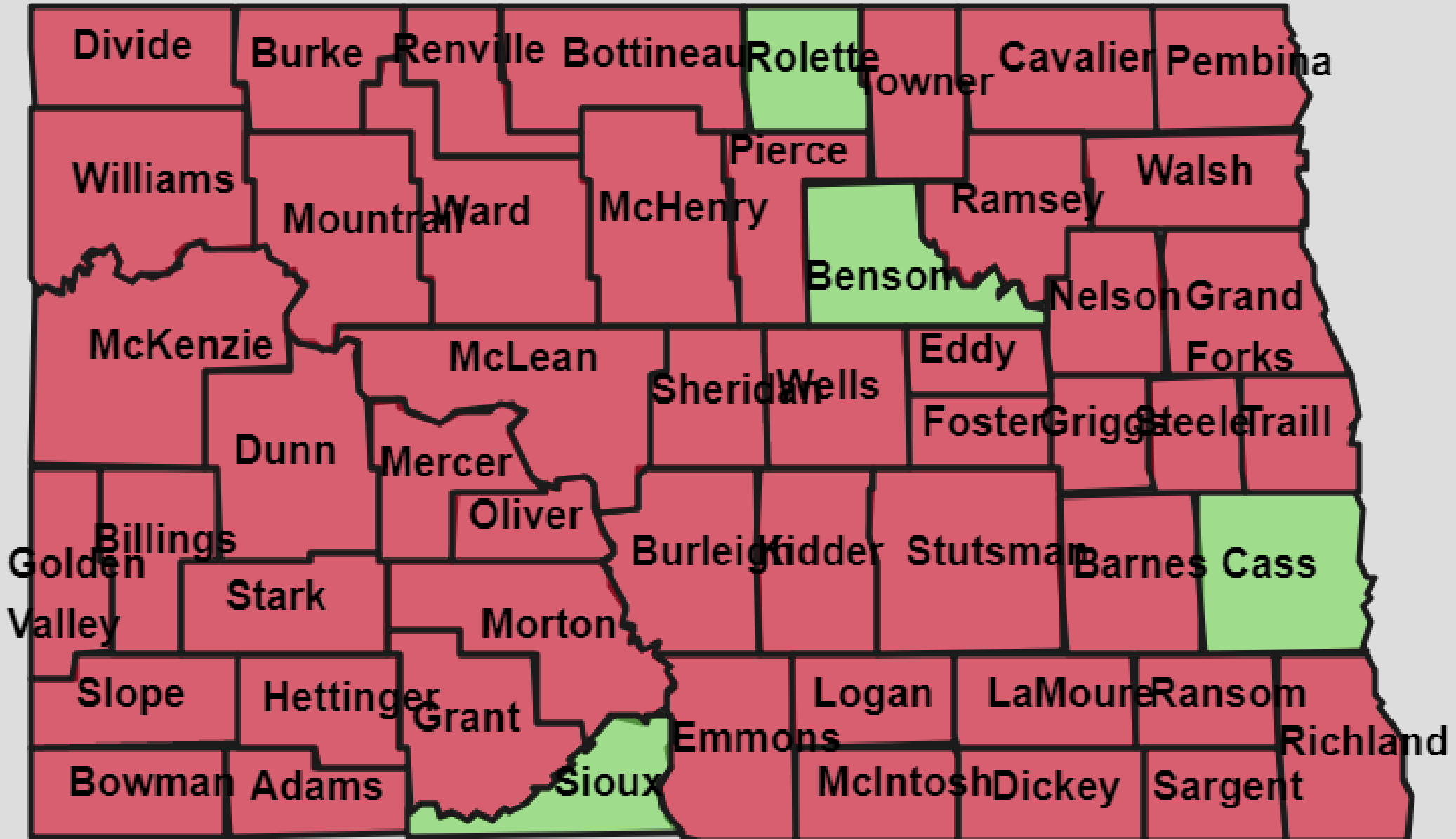
Measure 2



Measure 3 - Legalization of marijuana

- Yes 40.54%
- No 59.46%
- 324,550 votes (highest vote total among all measures, and second only to U.S. Senate race) for entire ballot
- Only passed in Sioux, Rolette, Benson and Cass County.

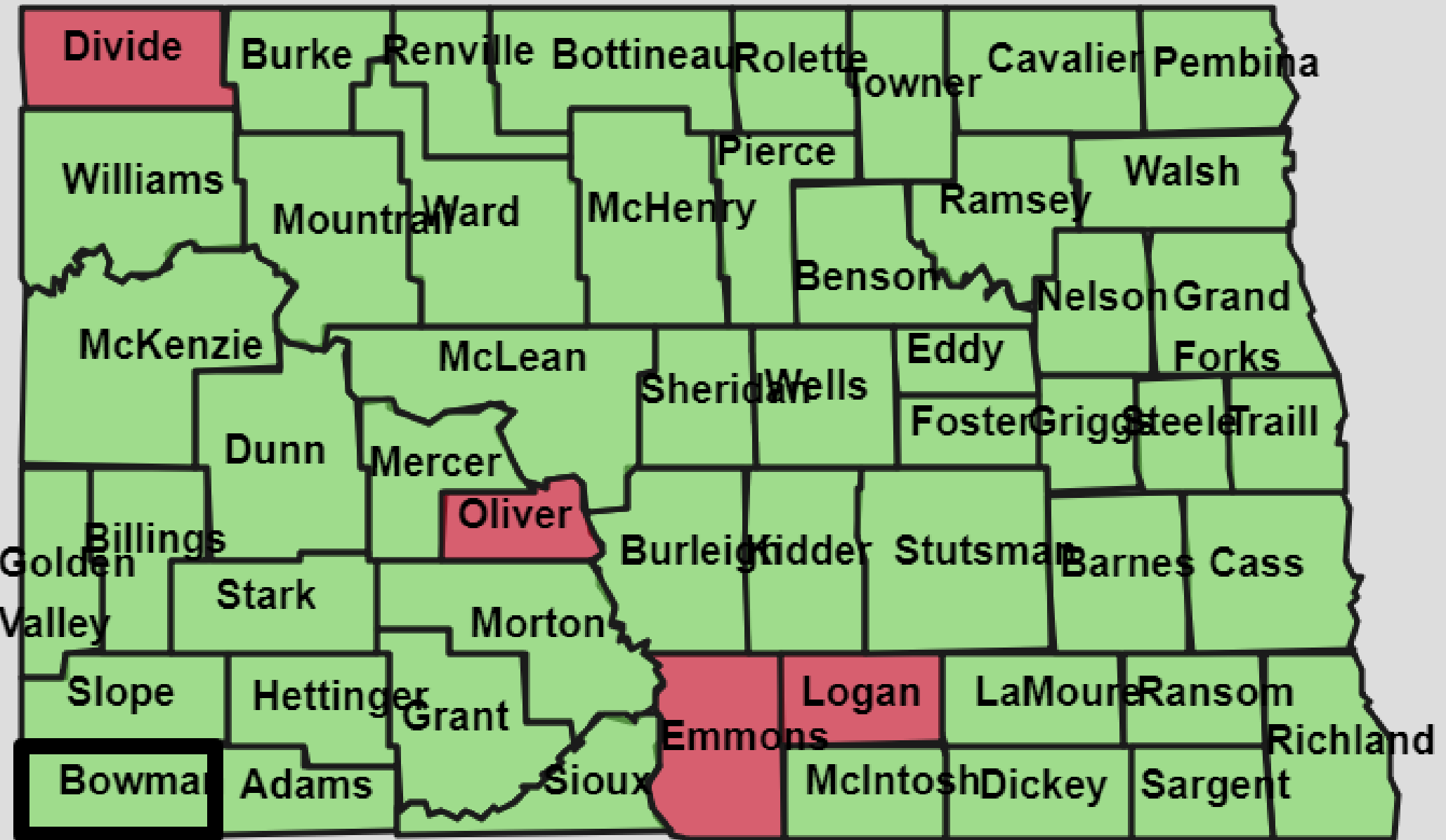
Measure 3



Measure 4 - Personalized vehicle plates for volunteer emergency responders

- Yes 64.30%
- No 35.70%
- 315,161 votes
- Didn't like this measure in Divide, Oliver, Emmons and Logan Counties.

Measure 4





North Dakota Legislature

State Senate

- Democrats picked up one seat in the State Senate.
- In Grand Forks, District 43, Democrat JoNell Bakke beat Republican Lonnie Laffen 52.56% to 47.31%
- Senate Majority Leader Rich Wardner (R) returns to the Senate
- Senate Minority Leader Joan Heckaman (D) returns to the Senate

State Senate Ratios

Senate Seats - 2017 Session

38 seats held by Republicans

9 seats held by Democrats

47 Total

Senate Seats - 2019 Session

37 seats held by Republicans

10 seats held by Democrats

47 Total

State House

- Democrats also picked up 2 seats in the State House.
- In Grand Forks, Democrats picked up 1 seat in District 43 where incumbent Republican Richard Becker was defeated by two Democrat new faces: Mary Adams and Matt Eidson. (Democrat Lois Delmore retired.)
- In Fargo, Republican Randy Boehning lost his seat to Ruth Buffalo in District 27.

State House

- Majority Leader Al Carlson (R) lost his seat in District 41 in Fargo. In that district, Al's running mate and newcomer, Republican Michelle Strinden, was the top vote getter. Incumbent Democrat Pam Anderson, one vote behind Strinden, was also elected.
- House Republicans will now select a new majority leader.
- House minority leader Corey Mock was not up for election this cycle and returns as the presumed House Minority Leader.

State House Ratios

House Seats – 2017 Session

81 seats held by Republicans

13 seats held by Democrats

94 Total

House Seats – 2019 Session

79 seats held by Republicans

15 seats held by Democrats

94 Total

Western Dakota Energy Association Legislators

District 1 (Williston / William's County)

- Senator Brad Bekkedahl
- Representatives Patrick Hatlestad, David Richter

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District 3 (Minot / Ward County)

- Senator Oley Larsen
- Representatives Jeff Hoverson, Bob Paulson

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District 5 (Minot / Ward County)

- Senator Randy Burckhard
- Representatives Scott Louser, Jay Fisher

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District 31 (Includes Hettinger County)

- Senator Don Schaible
- Representatives Karen Rohr, Jim Schmidt

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District 33 (Coal Counties South of Lake)

- Senator Jessica Unruh
- Representatives Gary Kreidt, Bill Tveit

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District 37 (Dickinson / Stark County)

- Senator Rich Wardner
- Representatives Mike Lefor, Vicky Steiner

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District 39 (Southwest ND Counties)

- Senator Dale Patten
- Representatives Keith Kempenich, Denton Zubke

Conclusion

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