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- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 14-09-08.5, subsection 3 of
- 2 section 14-09-08.7, subsection 1 of section 14-09-08.8, and sections 14-09-08.9, 15.1-16-05,
- 3 and 40-57.3-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to technical corrections and
- 4 improper, inaccurate, redundant, missing, or obsolete references.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 14-09-08.5 of the North Dakota 7 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - 1. The child support agency shall provide written notice that a child support order being enforced by the child support agency may be subject to review under section 16 of chapter 148 of the 1989 Session Laws or section 14-09-08.4. The notice may be sent by first-class mail to the obligor and the obligee, at the addresses they have most recently provided to the child support agency, at least thirty-five days before the commencement of the review.

NOTE: Section 16 of Chapter 148 of the 1989 Session Laws expired October 1, 1993.

- **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 14-09-08.7 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - 3. If the child support agency has made a determination to seek an amendment in the amount of child support, the notice must be mailed at least thirty-five days before the date of a hearing on a motion for amendment made by the child support agency under section 16 of chapter 148 of the 1989 Session Laws or section 14-09-08.4, and must inform the obligor and the obligee of the right of each to challenge that determination by opposing that amendment before the court. The notice to the obligor must be accompanied by:

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1 A proposed modification of the child support order to provide for payment of a. 2 child support in the amount required under the child support guidelines; 3 b. A document by which the obligor may consent to the proposed modification; 4 and 5 An address and telephone number which that the obligor may contact use to C. 6 receive information from or schedule a meeting with representatives of the 7 child support agency. 8 SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 14-09-08.8 of the North Dakota 9 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows: Upon a determination by a child support agency, made under section 16 of 10 11 chapter 148 of the 1989 Session Laws or section 14-09-08.4, that it may or must 12 seek amendment of a child support order, the child support agency may file and 13 serve a motion and supporting documents. 14 SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. Section 14-09-08.9 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows: 15 16 14-09-08.9. Request for review - Notice of right to request review. An obligor or an 17 obligee may request review under section 16 of chapter 148 of the 1989 Session Laws or 18 section 14-09-08.4, by applying to the child support agency for child support services, and 19 indicating, in the manner there provided, a desire to have a child support order reviewed. Each 20 judgment or order issued by a court in this state which includes an order for child support must 21 include a statement advising of the right to request a review under this section. If a party to a 22 child support matter is receiving services from the child support agency and an order for current 23 child support has issued out of that matter, the child support agency shall provide notice of the 24 right to request a review or further review of that child support order, to the obligor and obligee. 25 not more than three years after the most recent child support order, review of that child support 26 order, or notice of right to request a review of that child support order. 27 SECTION 5. AMENDMENT. Section 15.1-16-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is 28 amended and reenacted as follows: 29 15.1-16-05. Education factfinding commission - Rules - Powers. The education

factfinding commission may adopt rules. The commission and any factfinder appointed by the

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- 1 commission have, in the performance of their duties, the powers provided in sections 28-32-09,
- 2 28-32-11, and 28-32-12 28-32-33, 28-32-34, and 28-32-36.

NOTE: Sections 28-32-09, 28-32-11, and 28-32-12 were renumbered as Sections 28-32-33, 28-32-34, and 28-32-36 by enactment of 2001 S.L., ch. 293.

3 **SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Section 40-57.3-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is 4 amended and reenacted as follows:

40-57.3-03. Budget - Contracts - Bonds - Capital construction. The governing body of the city shall annually set the budget, if any, under which the committee shall operate. The governing body of the city may contract with any person, firm, association, corporation, or limited liability company to carry out the purposes of the city visitors' promotion fund or the city visitors' promotion capital construction fund created under section 40-57.3-02. The governing body of the city may irrevocably dedicate any portion of revenues from the tax authorized under section 40-57.3-01.1 and may authorize and issue bonds or other evidences of indebtedness in the manner prescribed by section 40-35-08 to be paid by those revenues for any purpose that moneys in the city visitors' promotion capital construction fund may be used; and such tax upon being pledged to payment of bonds or evidences of indebtedness issued pursuant to this section may not be reduced or repealed by the governing body or by the electors of the municipality by any initiated amendment to or referendum of the ordinance referred to in section 40-57.3-01.1, so long as any of such bonds or evidences of indebtedness remain outstanding. The proceeds from the tax imposed under section 40-57.3-01 may not be used for any type of capital construction or purchase of real property. The proceeds from the tax imposed under section 40-57.3-01.1 may be used only for payment of bonds issued, and the costs of issuance related thereto, under this section or for tourism or capital construction, maintenance, and repair or acquisition of property consistent with the purposes of this chapter.

NOTE: Attorney General letter opinion 2004-L-23 points out an irreconcilable conflict between Sections 40-57.3-02 and 40-57.3-03 and concludes that Section 40-57.3-03 should be interpreted to allow expenditures for tourism to be consistent with a 1997 amendment to Section 40-57.3-02.