

Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 14-09 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the rights and duties of parents in child custody and visitation
3 proceedings.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 14-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Parental custody and visitation rights and duties.**

- 8 1. Each parent of a minor child has the following custody and visitation rights and
9 duties:
- 10 a. Right to access and obtain copies of the minor child's educational, medical,
11 dental, religious, insurance, and other records or information.
 - 12 b. Right to attend educational conferences concerning the minor child. This right
13 does not require any school to hold a separate conference with each parent.
 - 14 c. Right to reasonable access to the minor child by written, telephonic, and
15 electronic means.
 - 16 d. Duty to inform the other parent as soon as reasonably possible of a serious
17 accident or serious illness for which the minor child receives health care
18 treatment. The parent shall provide to the other parent a description of the
19 serious accident or serious illness, the time of the serious accident or serious
20 illness, and the name and location of the treating health care provider.
 - 21 e. Duty to immediately inform the other parent of a change in residential
22 telephone number and address.
 - 23 f. Duty to keep the other parent informed of the name and address of the school
24 the minor child attends.

- 1 2. The court may restrict or exclude any right or duty listed in this section, provided
- 2 the order court states the reason in support of the restriction or exclusion.