Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1118

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Human Services Committee

(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-25.1 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to disclosure of child abuse and neglect case information.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 50-25.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- **Disclosure to the public When authorized.** The department may disclose, to any requesting member of the public, findings or any other information concerning a child abuse or neglect case that has resulted in a child fatality or near fatality, provided that the identity of the persons reporting under this chapter is protected. For purposes of this section, "near fatality" means an act that, as certified by a physician, places the child in serious or critical condition.