Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## SENATE BILL NO. 2141

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Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the State Board of Medical Examiners)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-17-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to prescriptive authority of physician assistants.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 43-17-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
  - 43-17-02.1. Physician assistant Limitations on prescribing drugs. A physician assistant may not prescribe medications except as an agent of the supervising physician. A physician assistant may prescribe medications, in the name of the supervising physician if the authority has been assigned by the as delegated to do so by a supervising physician. This may include schedule III through V controlled substances; however, a physician assistant may not
- 11 prescribe schedule II controlled substances. The prescription container label must bear the
- 12 name of the supervising physician and may also bear the name of the physician assistant.
- 13 Appropriate medical records must be maintained. The state board of medical examiners shall
- 14 notify the board of pharmacy in writing annually, or more frequently if required by changes, of
- 15 each physician assistant who is authorized as an agent of a supervising physician to prescribe
- 16 medications. A physician assistant who is a delegated prescriber of controlled substances
- 17 <u>must register with the federal drug enforcement administration.</u>