Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## SENATE BILL NO. 2133

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-24.1-18.1 of the North Dakota Century

2 Code, relating to consumer-directed care for medical assistance recipients.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-24.1-18.1 of the North Dakota Century Code 5 is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 50-24.1-18.1. Personal care Consumer-directed health maintenance services -7 Residing at home. Subject to the requirements under title 42, Code of Federal Regulations, 8 part 440, section 167, the The department of human services shall provide a personal care 9 services program for eligible medical assistance recipients who are residing in their own 10 homes. The department shall seek a waiver of federal law provide an attendant care program 11 to permit disabled and elderly individuals to direct their own care and to permit personal care 12 health maintenance services authorized under this section to be provided by nonlicensed 13 personal care service providers. Health maintenance services means care that enables an 14 adult or a minor child to live at home, which the adult's or minor child's physician determines 15 can be safely performed by a nonlicensed care provider under the direction of a competent 16 adult who resides in the home. Health maintenance services includes assistance with the 17 activities of daily living such as getting in and out of bed, wheelchair, or motor vehicle; 18 assistance with routine bodily functions such as bathing and personal hygiene, dressing, and 19 grooming; and feeding, including preparation and cleanup. Health maintenance services also 20 include any other medical, nursing, or home health care services that will maintain the health 21 and well-being of the individual and will allow the individual to remain in the community and 22 which are services that a person without a functional disability would customarily and personally 23 perform without the assistance of a licensed health care provider, such as catheter irrigation, 24 administration of medications, or wound care.