

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a study and the development of a plan by the department of
2 human services for restructuring the human services delivery system in the state.

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

4 **SECTION 1. STUDY - HUMAN SERVICES DELIVERY SYSTEM.** During the 2011-12
5 interim, the department of human services shall study and develop a plan for restructuring the
6 human services delivery system in North Dakota. The plan must provide for the creation of
7 administrative units that are authorized to deliver all the economic assistance and therapeutic
8 social services programs and services that are currently being provided or authorized to be
9 provided by counties and regional human service centers. The administrative units must have a
10 direct relationship with the department of human services in administering federal programs in
11 the state and must be locally administered. Before June 1, 2012, the department shall present
12 its findings, the proposed plan, and any legislative changes necessary to implement that plan to
13 the legislative management.