

Sixty-second  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1053**

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Workers' Compensation Review Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 65-02-20.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to workers' compensation benefits for generic drugs; and to provide for application.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** Section 65-02-20.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted  
5 as follows:

6 **65-02-20.1. Pharmaceutical generic requirement.**

7 If a generic or bioequivalent treatment is available and the use of the generic or  
8 bioequivalent treatment would not create a life-threatening side effect, the organization shall pay  
9 for a pharmaceutical treatment not to exceed the cost of the generic or bioequivalent treatment.  
10 A dispute under this section must be resolved in the same manner as set forth under section  
11 65-02-20.

12 **SECTION 2. APPLICATION.** This Act applies to pharmaceutical treatments occurring on or  
13 after the effective date of this Act.