## FIRST ENGROSSMENT

Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1456**

Introduced by

Representatives Hogan, DeKrey, Delmore, Holman

Senator J. Lee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 28-01 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the statute of limitations on civil actions involving childhood sexual
- 3 abuse.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 28-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created

6 and enacted as follows:

## 7 <u>Limitation on actions alleging childhood sexual abuse.</u>

- 8 Notwithstanding section 28-01-25, a claim for relief resulting from childhood sexual abuse
- 9 must be commenced within seven years after the plaintiff knew or reasonably should have
- 10 known of an injury resulting from alleged childhood sexual abuse. For purposes of this section,
- 11 <u>"childhood sexual abuse" means any act committed by the defendant against the plaintiff which</u>
- 12 occurred when the plaintiff was under eighteen years of age and which would have been a
- 13 <u>violation of chapter 12.1-20 or 12.1-27.2.</u>