

HOUSE BILL NO. 1230

Introduced by

Representatives Delmore, DeKrey, Hawken, Kretschmar

Senators Nething, Heckaman

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-34-03 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to fair treatment of victims and witnesses and confidential records.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-34-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **12.1-34-03. (Contingent expiration date - See note) Responsibilities of victims and**
7 **witnesses.**

8 Victims and witnesses have all of the following responsibilities to aid in the prosecution of
9 crime:

- 10 1. To make a timely report of the crime.
- 11 2. To cooperate with law enforcement authorities throughout the investigation,
12 prosecution, and trial.
- 13 3. To testify at trial.
- 14 4. To notify law enforcement authorities, prosecuting attorney, custodial authority, parole
15 board, pardon clerk, and court, where appropriate, of any change of address.
16 The~~Except for release to a domestic violence sexual assault organization as defined in~~
17 section 14-07.1-01, the address information provided to these persons must be kept
18 confidential.

19 **(Contingent effective date - See note) Responsibilities of victims and witnesses.**

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23 prosecution, and trial.
- 24 3. To testify at trial.

- 1 4. To notify the system, law enforcement authorities, prosecuting attorney, custodial
- 2 authority, parole board, pardon clerk, and court, where appropriate, of any change of
- 3 contact information. ~~All~~Except for release to a domestic violence sexual assault
- 4 organization as defined in section 14-07.1-01, all contact information provided must be
- 5 kept confidential.