Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1323

Introduced by

Representatives Kreidt, Bellew, Heller

Senator Dever

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 50-24.4-10 of the North
- 2 Dakota Century Code, relating to payments for nursing homes in smaller communities; and to
- 3 provide an appropriation.

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

5 SECTION 1. A new subsection to section 50-24.4-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

- 7 <u>A nursing home that is located in a community with a population of fewer than two</u>
- 8 thousand five hundred which receives an efficiency incentive under subsection 5 is
- 9 <u>entitled to receive a rural nursing payment equal to the lesser of one dollar or the</u>
- 10 <u>difference between the efficiency incentive and two dollars and sixty cents. The rural</u>
- 11 <u>nursing payment must be included as a part of the indirect care cost rate.</u>

12 SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the health care

13 trust fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$400,000, or so much of

- 14 the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of rural
- 15 payments for nursing homes as provided in section 1 of this Act, for the biennium beginning
- 16 July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013.