Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1202**

Introduced by

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Representatives Ruby, Rick C. Becker, Kasper, Louser Senators Campbell, Hogue, Laffen

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 34-14-09.2 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to withholding of accrued awarded paid time off; and to provide for application.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 34-14-09.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
  - 34-14-09.2. Limitations on accrued paid time off Investigation.
    - If an employee separates from employment, whether voluntarily or involuntarily, a
      private employer may withhold payment for accrued paid time off if:
      - a. At at the time of hiring, the employer provided the employee written notice of the limitation on payment of accrued paid time off:
      - b. The employee has been employed by the employer for less than one year; and
      - c. The employee gave the employer less than five days' written or verbal notice.
  - 2. If an employee separates from employment, a private employer may withhold payment for paid time off that has been awarded by the employer but not yet earned by the employee, if at the time of hiring, the employer provided the employee written notice of the limitation on payment of awarded paid time off.
  - 3. As provided under section 34-14-05, an employee may report a violation under this section. If a report of violation is made within thirty days of the alleged violation, the labor commissioner shall investigate the merits of the claim. If a report is made more than thirty days following the alleged violation, the commissioner may investigate the merits of the claim.
  - **SECTION 2. APPLICATION.** This Act applies to separations from employment which occur on or after the effective date of this Act.