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HOUSE BILL NO. 1307

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Representatives K. Koppelman, Delmore, M. Johnson Senator Luick

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-12-06 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to threatening of public servants; and to provide a penalty.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-12-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - 12.1-12-06. Threatening public servants.
 - 1. A person is guilty of a class C felony if hethat person threatens harm to anothera public servant with intent to influence his the public servant's official action as a public servant in a pending or prospective judicial or administrative proceeding held before him the public servant, or with intent to influence him the public servant to violate his the public servant's duty as a public servant.
 - 2. A person is guilty of a class C felony if, with intent to influence another's official action as a public servant, heteroscopersor threatens:
 - a. To commit any crime or to do anything unlawful;
 - b. To accuse anyone of a crime; or
 - c. To expose a secret or publicize an asserted fact, whether true or false, tending to subject any personindividual, living or deceased, to hatred, contempt, or ridicule, or to impair another's credit or business repute.
 - 3. a. A person is guilty of an offense if the person files any lien or encumbrance against real or personal property of a public servant if that person knows or has reason to know the lien or encumbrance is false or contains any materially false or fraudulent statement or representation.

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1 An offense under this subsection is a class A misdemeanor, unless the person 2 previously pled guilty or had been convicted under this subsection on two or 3 more occasions, in which event the offense is a class C felony. 4 It is nonot a defense to a prosecution under this section that a personan individual 5 whom the actor sought to influence was not qualified to act in the desired way whether 6 because hethe individual had not yet assumed office, or lacked jurisdiction, or for any 7 other reason. 8 A person is guilty of a class C felony if the person files, attempts to file, or conspires to 9 file, in any public or private record that is generally available to the public, any false 10 lien or encumbrance against real or personal property of a public servant if that person 11 knows or has reason to know the lien or encumbrance is false or contains any 12 materially false or fraudulent statement or representation.