Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1057

Introduced by

Representatives Owens, K. Koppelman, Olson, Streyle, Klemin, Marschall

Senators Laffen, Hogue

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 14-05 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the confidentiality of property and debt listing information of the
- 3 parties to a divorce.

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

5 SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 14-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 Property and debt listing information confidential - Exception.

- 8 <u>1.</u> Except as provided in subsections 2 and 3, the property and debt listing of the parties
 9 to a divorce which is included in a judgment for divorce is a confidential record.
- <u>Upon providing written notice to all parties, any person may file a motion, supported by</u>
 <u>affidavit showing good cause, for access to the property and debt listing contained in a</u>
 <u>judgment for divorce.</u>
- <u>3.</u> The court shall allow access to the property and debt listing, or relevant portions of the
 information, if the court finds the public interest in granting access or the personal
- 15 interest of the person seeking access outweighs the privacy interests of the parties or
- 16 the parties' dependent children. In granting access the court may impose conditions
- 17 <u>necessary to balance the interests consistent with this subsection.</u>