Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1334

Introduced by

Representatives Meier, Delmore, Karls, Klemin, Porter, Steiner Senators Myrdal, Oehlke, Schaible

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-20 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to prohibiting high-risk sexual offenders from residing near schools; and
- 3 to provide a penalty.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 12.1-20 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 7 Sexual offender residence near schools prohibited.
- A sexual offender, as defined in section 12.1-32-15, may not reside or loiter within five
 hundred feet [152.4 meters] of a childcare facility or provider, or a public or nonpublic
 preschool or elementary, middle, or high school if the sexual offender:
- 11 <u>a. Has pled guilty or been found guilty of or has been adjudicated delinquent of a</u>
 12 <u>class A misdemeanor or felony sexual offense against a minor;</u>
- b. <u>Is required to register under section 12.1-32-15 or equivalent law of another</u>
 state;
 - c. Is a sexually dangerous individual as defined in 25-03.3-01; or
- d. Has been assessed as a high-risk sexual offender in accordance with
 subsection 12 of 12.1-32-15.
- 18 <u>2. As used in this section:</u>

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- a. "Reside" means to live permanently or be situated for a considerable time in a
 home or a particular place.
- b. "Loiter" means to be dilatory, to stand idly around, to linger, delay, or wander
 about, or to remain, abide, or tarry in a public place.
- 3. A violation of this section is a class A misdemeanor.