Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1515

Introduced by

Representatives Mitskog, Schneider

Senators Heckaman, Mathern

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to medical assistance coverage for pregnant women; and to provide an
- 3 availability date.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 50-24.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created

6 and enacted as follows:

7 <u>Medical assistance benefits - Pregnant women.</u>

8 The department shall seek the necessary approval from the centers for Medicare and

9 Medicaid services to expand medical assistance coverage for pregnant women with income

10 <u>below two</u>one hundred sixty-two percent of the federal poverty level.

11 SECTION 2. AVAILABILITY DATE. If the department of human services is able to obtain

12 the necessary approval to expand medical assistance coverage in accordance with section 1 of

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13 this Act, the expanded medical assistance coverage for pregnant women becomes available

14 January 1, 2020.