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SENATE BILL NO. 2325

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Senators Mathern, Thompson

Representative Gulleson

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a teen pregnancy prevention media program by the department
- 2 of human services; and to amend and reenact section 12.1-20-05 of the North Dakota Century
- 3 Code, relating to the penalty for corruption of a minor.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 12.1-20-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

12.1-20-05. Corruption or solicitation of minors.

- 1. An adult who engages in a sexual act with another person or who causes another person to engage in a sexual act, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if the other person is a minor, fifteen years of age or older, or is guilty of a class C felony if the adult is at least twenty-two years of age and the other person is a minor fifteen years of age or older.
- 2. An adult who solicits a person under the age of fifteen years to engage in a sexual act or sexual contact is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.

15 **SECTION 2.** Teen pregnancy prevention media campaign.

- 1. The department of human services shall create a joint program between public and private organizations to design and establish a three-year media campaign for the purpose of reducing adolescent pregnancy in this state. The media campaign must include the following strategies:
 - a. Delaying sexual intercourse among adolescents.
- <u>b.</u> Educating males about sexual and parenting responsibilities including child support.
 - <u>Promoting communication skills to parents of adolescents to assist these</u>
 <u>parents in educating their children about sexual and parenting responsibilities.</u>

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1		d. Promoting community involvement by adolescents for the purpose of building
2		self-esteem and individual skills.
3		e. Educating the community about the offenses of sexual contact with a minor.
4	<u>2.</u>	The department shall solicit bids for the design and operation of the media
5		campaign. The department shall adopt standard specifications for accepting bids.
6		The department may accept funds or property from any source for the purpose of
7		this section.