

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1301**

Introduced by

Representative S. Kelsh

Senators Fischer, Lee, T. Mathern

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 50-06-05.1 of the North  
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to the provision of a guardianship services system by the  
3 department of human services; and to provide an appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 50-06-05.1 of the 1997 Supplement to the  
6 North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

7 To unify and coordinate a system for the provision of guardianship services. The  
8 system must include the integration of a contracting process that establishes a  
9 base unit funding level, provider standards, staff competency, accreditation  
10 standards, and the use of an emergency funding procedure to cover the costs of  
11 establishing needed guardianships.

12 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in  
13 the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$878,272, or so  
14 much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of  
15 establishing and maintaining, within the aging services division and the mental health division, a  
16 guardianship services system similar to the one in the disabilities services division, for the  
17 biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.