Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1226

Introduced by

Representatives Porter, Devlin, Keiser, Svedjan Senators Cook, Stenehjem

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-36 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to providing basic health insurance coverage for individuals and small
- 3 employers.

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

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 26.1-36 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Basic health insurance coverage - Exceptions to required coverage.

- An insurance company, a nonprofit health service corporation, or a health
 maintenance organization may deliver, issue, execute, and renew a basic health
 insurance policy, health service contract, or evidence of coverage on an individual
 basis or an employer group, blanket, franchise, or association basis for employers
 with fewer than fifty employees.
- 13 The basic health insurance coverage policy, contract, or evidence of coverage 14 under this section is not subject to sections 26.1-36-06.1, 26.1-36-08, 15 26.1-36-09.1, 26.1-36-09.3, 26.1-36-09.6, 26.1-36-09.7, 26.1-36-09.9, 16 26.1-36-09.10, 26.1-36-12.1, and 43-13-31. However, the insurance company, 17 nonprofit health service corporation, or health maintenance organization shall 18 make the coverage required under these sections available at the option of the 19 individual or employer and may charge an additional premium for each coverage 20 provided.
 - 3. Any law that becomes effective after January 1, 2001, which provides for an accident and health insurance coverage mandate does not apply to a basic health insurance policy issued under this section unless the law specifically identifies application to a basic health insurance coverage policy.