

Introduced by

Representatives Sitte, Koppelman, Metcalf, Price

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1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-25.1 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to the duties of the department of human services with respect to child  
3 protective services.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 50-25.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Child protective services duties - Training requirements.**

- 8 1. The department, at the initial time of contact with an individual subject to a child  
9 abuse or neglect investigation, shall advise the individual of the specific complaints  
10 or allegations made against the individual.
- 11 2. The department shall provide training to all child protective services employees  
12 regarding the employees' legal duties to protect the constitutional and statutory  
13 rights of children and families from the initial time of contact during a child abuse or  
14 neglect investigation through treatment and closure of the case. The training  
15 curriculum must include instruction on the fourth amendment to the Constitution of  
16 the United States, section 8 of article I of the Constitution of North Dakota, the  
17 legal rights of parents, and the requirements for legal search and seizure by a law  
18 enforcement officer.