Sixty-sixth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2027

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Health Services Committee)

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06.4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of brain injury.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 50-06.4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

50-06.4-01. Definitions.

As used in this chapter:

1. "Brain injury" means ~~any injury to the brain which occurs after birth and which is acquired through traumatic or nontraumatic insults. The term does not include hereditary, congenital, nontraumatic encephalopathy, nontraumatic aneurysm, stroke, or degenerative brain disorders or injuries induced by birth trauma~~damage to the brain or the coverings of the brain which produces an altered mental state and results in a decrease in cognitive, behavioral, emotional, or physical functioning. The term does not include an insult of a degenerative or congenital nature.
2. "Department" means the department of human services.