

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1402**

Introduced by

Representatives Mitskog, Schreiber-Beck

Senator Luick

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06-42 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the substance use disorder treatment voucher system.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-06-42 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **50-06-42. Substance use disorder treatment voucher system.**

7 1. The department shall establish and administer, within the limits of legislative  
8 appropriations, a voucher system to address underserved areas and gaps in the  
9 state's substance abuse treatment system and to assist in the payment of addiction  
10 treatment services provided by licensed substance abuse treatment programs,  
11 excluding regional human service centers, and hospital- or medical clinic-based  
12 programs for medical management of withdrawal. An out-of-state licensed substance  
13 abuse treatment program located within five miles [8.05 kilometers] of the North  
14 Dakota border may participate in the voucher program to serve an underserved area  
15 of this state identified by the department.

16 2. Services eligible for the voucher program include only those levels of care recognized  
17 by the American society of addiction medicine, with particular emphasis given to  
18 underserved areas and programs. The department shall ensure that a licensed  
19 substance abuse treatment program, hospital, and medical clinic program accepting  
20 vouchers collects and reports process and outcome measures.

21 3. The department shall develop requirements and provide training and technical  
22 assistance to a licensed substance abuse treatment program, hospital, and medical  
23 clinic program accepting vouchers. A licensed substance abuse treatment program,

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- 1 hospital, and medical clinic program accepting vouchers shall provide evidence-based
- 2 services.