

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 32-03 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to providing immunity to an employee of a 988 suicide and crisis lifeline,
3 211 information and referral helpline, and 911 system.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 32-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Behavior health instruction - Immunity from civil liability.**

- 8 1. A person employed or contracted to provide a behavior health service, or any other
9 service, through the 988 suicide and crisis lifeline, 211 information and referral
10 helpline, or 911 system is not liable for any civil damages arising from providing the
11 service to any individual unless the service provided constitutes willful and wanton
12 misconduct or gross negligence.
- 13 2. This section does not waive, limit, or modify any existing immunity or other defense of
14 the state or any political subdivision, or any of its agencies, departments, or
15 employees, nor does it create any claim for relief against any of these entities.