

HOUSE BILL NO. 1273

Introduced by

Representatives Heilman, Bolinske, Kasper, Koppelman, Morton, Toman, Marschall

Senators Castaneda, Clemens, Van Oosting, Walen, Powers

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the prohibition of a policy, order, or ordinance that limits free speech.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Prohibition on limitation of free speech.**

7 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state or a political subdivision may not adopt
8 or implement a policy, order, or ordinance that limits or prohibits speech of an individual,
9 including hate crime ordinances. This section may not be superseded or modified by a city or
10 county home rule charter or ordinance. A policy, order, or ordinance that violates this section is
11 void.