Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1299

Introduced by

Representative Koppelman

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 29-06-22 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to when a private person may break into a building to make an arrest.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 29-06-22 of the North Dakota Century Code is
- 5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **29-06-22.** When a private person may break into a building.

- 7 A private person, in order to make an arrest when a felony was committed in the arresting
- 8 person's presence, as authorized in section 29-06-20, if the person is refused admittance after
- 9 the person has announced the person's purpose <u>and the person reasonably believes an</u>
- 10 individual inside is at imminent risk of serious bodily injury or death, may break open a door or

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11 window of any building in which the person to be arrested is, or is reasonably believed to be.