

HOUSE BILL NO. 1338

Introduced by

Representatives M. Ruby, Beltz, Bolinske, J. Olson, D. Johnston, Klemin

Senators Bekkedahl, Dever, Lee, Roers, Wobbema

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 50-25.1-05 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to a determination by the department of health and human
3 services of an individual's military status in child abuse and neglect allegations.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 50-25.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 The department shall determine the military status of an individual, within a reasonable
8 amount of time, if the individual's child is the subject of an abuse or neglect allegation.
9 If the department determines an allegation of abuse or neglect involves a military-
10 affiliated individual, the department shall notify the nearest military installation's family
11 advocacy program of the allegation and investigation.