

**Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 9, 2001**

SENATE BILL NO. 2361
(Senators Krauter, Erbele, T. Mathern)
(Representatives Boehm, Hunsakor, Lemieux)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 14-02.1-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to information provided by the state department of health regarding pregnancy, childbirth, and adoption.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 14-02.1-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

14-02.1-02.1. Printed information - Referral service.

1. The state department of health shall ~~cause to be published~~ publish in English, and in every other language that the department determines is the primary language of a significant number of state residents, ~~within one hundred eighty days after July 1, 1991,~~ the following easily comprehensible printed materials:
 - a. Geographically indexed materials designed to inform the woman of public and private agencies and services available to assist a woman through pregnancy, upon childbirth, and while the child is dependent, including adoption agencies. The materials must include a comprehensive list of the agencies available, a description of the services they offer and a description of the manner, including telephone numbers, in which they might be contacted, or, at the option of the department, printed materials including a toll-free, twenty-four hour a day telephone number that may be called to obtain, orally, such a list and description of agencies in the locality of the caller and of the services they offer.
 - b. Materials designed to inform the woman of the probable anatomical and physiological characteristics of the fetus at two-week gestational increments from the time when a woman can be known to be pregnant to full term, including any relevant information on the possibility of the survival of the fetus and pictures representing the development of a fetus at two-week gestational increments. The pictures must contain the dimensions of the fetus and must be realistic and appropriate for the stage of pregnancy depicted. The materials must be objective, nonjudgmental, and designed to convey only accurate scientific information about the fetus at the various gestational ages. The materials required under this subsection must be reviewed, updated, and reprinted as needed.
2. The materials required under ~~this section~~ subsection 1 must be available at no cost from the state department of health upon request and in appropriate number to any person, facility, or hospital, and, ~~except for copyrighted material, must be available on the department's internet web site.~~ The department may make the copyrighted material available on its internet web site if the department pays the copyright royalties.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2361.

Senate Vote: Yeas 48 Nays 0 Absent 1

House Vote: Yeas 91 Nays 0 Absent 7

Secretary of the Senate

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Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2001.

Governor

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Secretary of State