

**SENATE BILL NO. 2159
with House Amendments**

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

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Introduced by

Senator J. Lee

Representative Price

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 28-32-03 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to interim final rules for medical assistance for needy persons and the
3 children's health insurance program; to provide an expiration date; and to declare an
4 emergency.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 28-32-03 of the North Dakota Century Code
7 is created and enacted as follows:

8 The department of human services may adopt interim final rules without the finding
9 required by subsection 2 to implement any changes necessary to simplify and
10 align eligibility requirements of the medical assistance program described in
11 chapter 50-24.1 and the children's health insurance program described in chapter
12 50-29 as much as possible and to allow for an efficient transition of cases into the
13 electronic system used for these programs. Any interim final rules so adopted may
14 take effect on a date no earlier than the date of filing with the legislative council of
15 the notice of proposed adoption of a rule.

16 **SECTION 2. EXPIRATION DATE.** This Act is effective through July 1, 2007, and after
17 that date is ineffective.

18 **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.