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Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

REENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1434

Introduced by

Representatives Price, Svedjan

Senator J. Lee

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-01 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to a state department of health viral hepatitis education and vaccination
3 program; and to provide an appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 23-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Viral hepatitis program - Vaccination - Study.**

- 8 1. The state department of health shall establish and administer a viral hepatitis
9 program with the goal of distributing to residents of the state who are at an
10 increased risk for exposure to viral hepatitis information that addresses the higher
11 incidence of hepatitis C exposure and infection among these populations,
12 addresses the dangers presented by the disease, and provides contacts for
13 additional information and referrals.
- 14 2. The department shall establish a list of classes of individuals by category that are
15 at increased risk for viral hepatitis exposure. The list must be consistent with
16 recommendations developed by the federal centers for disease control. The
17 department shall determine the type of information the department will distribute
18 under the program and the form and manner of distribution.
- 19 3. The department shall establish a vaccination and testing program, to be
20 coordinated by the department through local public health units.

21 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
22 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$200,000, or so much
23 of the sum as may be necessary, to the state department of health for the purpose of

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- 1 establishing a viral hepatitis program under section 1 of this Act, for the biennium beginning
- 2 July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.