

Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 65-01-02 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to workers' compensation definition of artificial members as it relates to
3 compensable injuries; and to provide for application.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 65-01-02 of the North Dakota
6 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 3. "Artificial members" includes ~~only such devices as are substitutes for, and not~~
8 ~~mere aids to,~~ a device that is a substitute for a natural part, organ, limb, or other
9 part of the body. The term includes a prescriptive device that is an aid for a natural
10 part, organ, limb, or other part of the body if the damage to the prescriptive device
11 is accompanied by an injury to the body. The term does not include A prescriptive
12 device includes prescription eyeglasses or, contact lenses unless the eye is, or
13 eyes are, injured as a result of a compensable injury, and such injury causes a
14 change in sight which requires fitting of eyeglasses or contact lenses not previously
15 worn by the injured worker or requires a change in existing prescription, dental
16 braces, and orthopedic braces.

17 **SECTION 2. APPLICATION.** This Act applies to injuries that occur after July 31, 2009.