

Introduced by

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 voluntary surveys of basic care and long-term care facilities; and to
3 provide a continuing appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 23-01 is created:

6 **Voluntary survey program - Basic care and long-term care facilities - Continuing**
7 **appropriation.**

- 8 1. The state department of health shall offer a life safety survey process for basic
9 care facilities and long-term care facilities to access voluntarily during and at the
10 conclusion of a construction, renovation, or construction and renovation project that
11 costs more than three million dollars.
- 12 2. The department may charge a reasonable fee for a life safety survey performed
13 under this section to cover the food, lodging, and transportation expenses of
14 surveyors performing the surveys. Revenues derived from the fees collected
15 under this subsection must be deposited in the department's operating fund in the
16 state treasury and are appropriated as a continuing appropriation to the
17 department for the purpose of funding the program under this section.
- 18 3. The department shall design and operate the program in a manner that will provide
19 that the surveyor that performs a life safety survey under this section does not
20 violate the federal requirements associated with medicare-certified life safety
21 surveys.