

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1210**

Introduced by

Representatives Klemin, D. Anderson, Damschen

Senator J. Lee

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact subsection 4 of section 27-20-13 and subdivision g of
2 subsection 1 of section 27-20-30 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to time for
3 beneficial transition of a child to or from temporary legal custody.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** Subsection 4 to section 27-20-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 4. Without a compelling reason to the contrary, a court order transferring a child into
8 custody shall provide a reasonable period of time to facilitate a beneficial transition for
9 the child and other parties involved.

10 **SECTION 2.** Subdivision g of subsection 1 of section 27-20-30 of the North Dakota Century
11 Code is created and enacted as follows:

12 g. Without a compelling reason to the contrary, a court order that transfers the child
13 from the current protective placement to a parent or other biological family must
14 provide a reasonable period of time to facilitate a beneficial transition for the child
15 and other parties involved.