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1 A BILL for an Act to establish a statewide human trafficking commission.

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

3 **SECTION 1.**

4 **Human trafficking commission.**

5 1. The attorney general may establish a human trafficking commission, comprised of
6 designees from state, local, and tribal agencies which have contact with victims or
7 perpetrators, nongovernmental organizations that represent or work with victims, and
8 other organizations and individuals, including victims, whose expertise would benefit
9 the commission. The attorney general may establish the commission by appointing an
10 existing statewide coalition.

11 2. The commission shall:

- 12 a. Develop a coordinated and comprehensive plan to provide victims with services;
13 b. Collect and evaluate data on human trafficking in this state and submit an annual
14 report to the attorney general, governor, and legislature;
15 c. Promote public awareness about human trafficking, victim remedies and
16 services, and trafficking prevention;
17 d. Create a public-awareness sign that contains the national human trafficking
18 resource center hotline information, and any state or local hotlines that the
19 coalition deems appropriate;
20 e. Coordinate training on human trafficking prevention and victim services for state
21 and local employees who may have recurring contact with victims or
22 perpetrators;

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- 1 f. Coordinate training on human trafficking investigation and prosecution with the
- 2 North Dakota state's attorney's association, the North Dakota peace officers
- 3 standards and training board, and state and local law enforcement agencies; and
- 4 g. Conduct other appropriate activities.