Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1067

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the Department of Health and Human Services)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 50-24.1-02.6 and 50-24.1-26 of the North
- 2 Dakota Century Code, relating to medical assistance benefits and Medicaid waivers; and to
- 3 provide an effective date.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-24.1-02.6 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 7 50-24.1-02.6. Medical assistance benefits Eligibility criteria.
 - The department shall provide medical assistance benefits to otherwise eligible
 persons who are medically needy persons who have countable income that does not
 exceed an amount determined under subsection 2.
- 11 2. The department shall establish an income level for medically needy persons at an amount no less than required by federal law.
- The department shall provide medical assistance benefits to children and families
 coverage groups and pregnant women without consideration of assets.
- The department shall provide medical assistance benefits to otherwise eligible
 pregnant women who are lawfully present in the United States.
- The department may require, as a condition of eligibility, individuals eligible for
 Medicare part A, B, or D to apply for such coverage.
- 19 <u>6. The department shall disregard social security survivor income and court-ordered child</u>
 20 <u>support for a child who is under the age of eighteen years and is enrolled in a</u>
 21 medicaid waiver under section 1915(c) of the Social Socurity Act [42 LI S C 1915(c)]
- 21 <u>medicaid waiver under section 1915(c) of the Social Security Act [42 U.S.C. 1915(c)].</u>

- 1 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-24.1-26 of the North Dakota Century Code is
- 2 amended and reenacted as follows:
- 3 **50-24.1-26.** Medicaid waivers In-home services.
- The department shall administer Medicaid waivers to provide in-home services to children
- 5 with extraordinary medical needs and to children up to the age of eighteen diagnosed with an
- 6 autism spectrum disorder who are under the age of twenty-one and would otherwise meet
- 7 institutional level of care. The department may prioritize applicants for the waiver for children
- 8 with extraordinary medical needs by degree of need.
- 9 **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** Section 1 of this Act is effective on July 1, 2026.