

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2308

That the Senate accede to the House amendments as printed on pages 967 and 968 of the Senate Journal and page 894 of the House Journal and that Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 2308 be further amended as follows:

Page 1, line 1, replace "section 53-06.1-18" with "the new section to chapter 50-06" and after "Code" insert "as created by section 2 of House Bill No. 1089, as approved by the fifty-seventh legislative assembly"

Page 1, replace lines 5 through 24 with:

"SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. The new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code as created by section 2 of House Bill No. 1089, as approved by the fifty-seventh legislative assembly, is amended and reenacted as follows:

Compulsive gambling prevention, awareness, crisis intervention, rehabilitation, and treatment services. The department of human services shall contract with qualified treatment service providers for the development and implementation of a program for gambling prevention, awareness, crisis intervention, rehabilitation, financial counseling, and mental health treatment services. The program may provide outpatient services, partial care services, aftercare services, intervention services, financial counseling services, consultation services, or other form of preventive, rehabilitative, or treatment services for compulsive gamblers. An individual who provides treatment services must ~~meet the minimum standards for certification as a gambling counselor as established by the national council on problem gambling and~~ be a mental health professional as defined in section 25-03.1-02 and meet the minimum standards for certification as a gambling counselor as established by rule by that mental health professional's licensing board. An individual who provides financial counseling services must be a certified consumer credit counselor with an accredited financial counseling agency. The department of human services may establish a sliding payment scale for services under the program. The department of human services may establish a centrally located repository of educational materials on identifying and treating compulsive gambling. Any service fee collected by qualified treatment service providers for services provided under the contract must be applied toward the program's compulsive gambling services. The term "qualified treatment service provider" means an entity based in North Dakota which is experienced in and capable of delivering compulsive gambling education, prevention, awareness, crisis intervention, rehabilitation, financial counseling, and mental health treatment services as defined by the department of human services. The term "compulsive gambler" means an individual who is chronically and progressively preoccupied with gambling and the urge to gamble and with gambling behavior that compromises, disrupts, or damages personal, family, or vocational pursuits."

Page 2, line 5, after the first comma insert "of which \$1,000 may be designated for per diem and travel expenses for in-state professional boards to gather information and set certification standards,"

Re-number accordingly