

**Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2017**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1057  
(Representatives Owens, K. Koppelman, Olson, Streyle, Klemin, Marschall)  
(Senators Laffen, Hogue)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 14-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the confidentiality of property and debt listing information of the parties to a divorce.

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

**SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 14-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Property and debt listing information confidential - Exception.**

1. Except as provided in subsections 2 and 3, the property and debt listing of the parties to a divorce which is filed with the court or included in a judgment for divorce is a confidential record.
2. Upon providing written notice to all parties, any person may file a motion, supported by affidavit showing good cause, for access to the property and debt listing contained in a judgment for divorce.
3. The court shall allow access to the property and debt listing, or relevant portions of the information, if the court finds the public interest in granting access or the personal interest of the person seeking access outweighs the privacy interests of the parties or the parties' dependent children. In granting access the court may impose conditions necessary to balance the interests consistent with this subsection.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1057.

House Vote:      Yeas 83              Nays 11              Absent 0

Senate Vote:      Yeas 46              Nays 1              Absent 0

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2017.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2017,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State