

HOUSE BILL NO. 1116

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 25-02-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the structure of the department of human services and changes in terminology.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 25-02-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **25-02-01.1. Maintenance of state hospital accreditation - Governing body**
7 **membership - Rulemaking authority.**

8 1. The department of human services shall seek appropriations and resources sufficient
9 to ensure maintenance of the state hospital's accreditation by the joint commission ~~on~~
10 ~~accreditation of health care organizations~~ and certification by the health care financing
11 administration or by similar accrediting and certifying organizations and agencies
12 possessing hospital standards recognized by the health care industry and accepted by
13 the department.

14 2. The department, in consultation with the state hospital, shall create a state hospital
15 governing body and shall by rules describe the powers and duties of the governing
16 body. The department shall compensate members not employed by the department in
17 the amount of one hundred dollars per day and reimburse members for expenses
18 incurred in attending meetings in the amounts provided by sections 44-08-04 and
19 54-06-09.

20 3. The governing body must be composed of the executive director of the department of
21 human services; the director of the division of ~~mental health services~~behavioral health
22 of the department, who shall serve as chairman of the governing body; the state
23 hospital superintendent; the state hospital medical director; a representative of the
24 department's fiscal management of the state hospital administration division; a

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- 1 mental~~behavioral~~ health services consumer selected by the mental health association;
- 2 and a legislator selected by the legislative management. The governing body may
- 3 include other persons as appointed by the governing body.