

Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 25-03.1-23 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to those mental health professionals authorized to execute a certificate regarding a
3 continuing treatment order.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 25-03.1-23 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **25-03.1-23. Petition for continuing treatment orders.** A petition for an order
8 authorizing continuing treatment must contain a statement setting forth the reasons for the
9 determination that the patient continues to be a person requiring treatment; a statement
10 describing the treatment program provided to the patient and the results of that treatment; and a
11 clinical estimate as to how long further treatment will be required. The petition must be
12 accompanied by a certificate executed by a physician, psychiatrist, or psychologist, or licensed
13 addiction counselor, within the licensed addiction counselor's area of expertise.