

Sixty-fourth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2332

Introduced by

Senators Schneider, Oban, Oehlke

Representatives Klemin, Larson, Maragos

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 12.1-29-07 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to an offender education program; to amend and reenact section 12.1-29-06 of the
3 North Dakota Century Code, relating to hiring an individual to engage in sexual activity; and to
4 provide a penalty.

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

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-29-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is
7 amended and reenacted as follows:

8 **12.1-29-06. Hiring an individual to engage in sexual activity.**

9 An individual who hires or offers or agrees to hire another individual with the intention of
10 engaging in sexual activity is guilty of a:

- 11 1. A class B misdemeanor for a first offense; and
- 12 2. A class A misdemeanor for a second or subsequent offense within ten years.

13 **SECTION 2.** Section 12.1-29-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted
14 as follows:

15 **Offender education program.**

16 If the court finds an offender education program is available within seventy-five miles of the
17 offender's residence or is available online, a sentence for a first offense under section
18 12.1-29-06 may include an order for the offender to participate in an offender education
19 program on the negative consequences of the commercial sex industry, including health and
20 legal consequences and the impact on communities, survivors, spouses, and children. The
21 court may order the offender to pay the cost of the offender education program.