

Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06.4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the definition of brain injury.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-06.4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **50-06.4-01. Definitions.**

7 As used in this chapter:

- 8 1. ~~"Brain injury" means any injury to the brain which occurs after birth and which is~~
9 ~~acquired through traumatic or nontraumatic insults. The term does not include~~
10 ~~hereditary, congenital, nontraumatic encephalopathy, nontraumatic aneurysm, stroke,~~
11 ~~or degenerative brain disorders or injuries induced by birth trauma~~an insult from
12 physical force or internal damage to the brain or the coverings of the brain which
13 produces an altered mental state and results in a decrease in cognitive, behavioral,
14 emotional, or physical functioning. The term does not include an insult of a
15 degenerative or congenital nature.
- 16 2. "Department" means the department of human services.