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1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to records of individuals who provide information to public social service  
3 agencies.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Identity of reporter to social services agency - Exempt records.**

8 1. For purposes of this section:

9 a. "Human services" means services provided to an individual or an individual's  
10 family in need of services to assist the individual or the individual's family in  
11 achieving and maintaining basic self-sufficiency, including physical health, mental  
12 health, education, welfare, food and nutrition, and housing; and

13 b. "Public social services agency" means a state, county, or local public agency that  
14 provides human services, and includes regional human service centers, county  
15 social services boards, multicounty social services districts, and the department  
16 of human services.

17 2. The name, address, telephone number, electronic mail address, or other record that  
18 reasonably could be used to identify an individual who provided information to a public  
19 social service agency is an exempt record if:

20 a. The information relates to a matter involving human services over which the  
21 agency has regulatory jurisdiction; and

22 b. The agency determines the individual had a good-faith belief the information  
23 related to a possible violation of law when the individual provided it to the agency.