

Introduced by

Judiciary Committee

(At the request of the Supreme Court)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 27-20-06 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to powers and duties of the director of juvenile court.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 27-20-06 of the North Dakota Century
5 Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 6 1. For the purpose of carrying out the objectives and purposes of this chapter and
7 subject to the limitations of this chapter or imposed by the court, a director shall:
- 8 a. Make investigations, reports, and recommendations to the juvenile court.
 - 9 b. Receive and examine complaints and charges of delinquency or unruly conduct
10 or deprivation of a child for the purpose of considering the commencement of
11 proceedings under this chapter.
 - 12 c. Supervise and assist a child placed on probation for delinquency or unruly
13 conduct, or both.
 - 14 d. Make appropriate referrals to other private or public agencies of the community if
15 their assistance appears to be needed or desirable.
 - 16 e. Issue a temporary custody order concerning a child who is referred to the
17 director's supervision or care as a delinquent, unruly, or deprived child. Except as
18 provided by this chapter, a director does not have the powers of a law
19 enforcement officer.
 - 20 f. Administer oaths.
 - 21 g. Take acknowledgments of instruments for the purpose of this chapter.
 - 22 h. Make such temporary order not to exceed ninety-six hours for the custody and
23 control of a child alleged to be deprived as may be deemed appropriate. The

- 1 order must be reduced to writing within twenty-four hours, excluding holidays and
2 weekends.
- 3 i. Perform all other functions designated by this chapter or under section 27-05-30
4 or by order of the court pursuant thereto, including, if qualified, those of a referee.
- 5 j. Issue an order to a law enforcement authority to transport a child to and from a
6 specified location.
- 7 k. Receive and examine requests for review of a child's placement at a qualified
8 residential treatment program under the Family First Prevention Services Act
9 [Pub. L. 115-123; 132 Stat. 64.; 42 U.S.C. 675a].