Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2135

Introduced by

Senators Lee, Bekkedahl, Mathern

Representatives Ista, Rohr, Satrom

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 26.1-36 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to assignment of dental insurance benefits; and to provide for
- 3 application.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 26.1-36 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
- 6 and enacted as follows:
- 7 <u>Dental insurance Assignment.</u>
- 8 An individual or group insurance policy covering dental services may not be issued or
- 9 renewed unless the policy authorizes the insured or beneficiary to assign reimbursement for
- 10 health or dental care services directly to the provider of services. Under this assignment, the
- 11 <u>insurer, if authorized by the insured or beneficiary, shall pay directly to the provider the amount</u>
- 12 of the claim under the same criteria and payment schedule as would have been reimbursed
- directly to the insured.
- 14 **SECTION 2. APPLICATION.** This Act applies to insurance policies issued or renewed on or
- 15 after the effective date of this Act.