Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1094

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the Insurance Commissioner)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 26.1-02.1-02.2 of the North Dakota Century
- 2 Code, relating to the prosecution of insurance fraud.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1.** Section 26.1-02.1-02.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and
- 5 enacted as follows:
- 6 <u>26.1-02.1-02.2. Venue for filing criminal charges.</u>
- 7 <u>If a person commits a fraudulent insurance act or any crime associated with a fraudulent</u>
- 8 insurance act, the venue for charging the crime may be any county in which the offense, any
- 9 element of the offense, or payment related to the offense was perpetrated, received, produced,
- prepared, instigated, procured, promoted, or aided. If a person commits a fraudulent insurance
- 11 act and commits additional crimes in the commission of a fraudulent insurance act or as part of
- 12 <u>a scheme associated with a fraudulent insurance act, venue need only be established for one</u>
- 13 offense. All offenses associated with a fraudulent insurance act may be charged in the same
- 14 venue as established in one of the counts.