Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota SECOND DRAFT: Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for the Child Support Committee June 1998

Introduced by

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subdivision a of subsection 1 of section 14-09-09.7 of
- 2 the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the child support guidelines' definition of gross
- 3 income.

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

- 5 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subdivision a of subsection 1 of section 14-09-09.7 of the
- 6 North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 7 a. Include consideration of gross income. <u>For purposes of the guidelines, gross</u>
- 8 income does not include any employee benefit if the employee may not
- 9 lawfully liquidate the benefit and if the employee has no significant influence
- 10 <u>or control over the nature or amount of the benefit.</u>

NOTE: This bill draft is in response to a child support order that was calculated using gross income that included the amount of an employer's contribution to an obligor's 401(k) plan; the amount of the obligor's medical, dental, life, and long-term disability insurance premiums paid by the employer; and the amount of the obligor's pension fund contributions paid by the employer.