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## FIRST ENGROSSMENT with House Amendments

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2409

Introduced by

Senator Krauter

Representative Koppelman

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to the establishment of an alternatives-to-abortion services program; to
- 3 provide for reports to the legislative council; to provide an appropriation; and to provide an
- 4 expiration date.

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

- SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 8 **Alternatives-to-abortion services program.** Before January 1, 2006, the department
- 9 of human services shall establish and implement a procedure to facilitate funding to
- 10 nongovernmental entities that provide alternatives-to-abortion services. The services must be
- 11 outcome-based with positive outcome-based results. For purposes of this Act,
- 12 "alternatives-to-abortion services" are those services that promote childbirth instead of abortion
- 13 by providing information, counseling, and support services that assist pregnant women or
- 14 women who believe they may be pregnant to choose childbirth and to make informed decisions
- 15 regarding the choice of adoption or parenting with respect to their children.
- 16 SECTION 2. REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL. During the 2005-06 interim, the
- 17 department of human services shall make periodic reports to the legislative council regarding
- 18 the status of the alternatives-to-abortion services funding, the first of which must be made by
- 19 December 1, 2005.
- 20 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys from special
- 21 funds derived from federal funds and other income from the temporary assistance for needy
- 22 families program, the sum of \$500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the
- 23 department of human services for the purpose of establishing and implementing
- 24 alternatives-to-abortion services funding, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending

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- 1 June 30, 2007. The department shall seek sources of funding for this purpose through the
- 2 federal office of faith-based and community initiatives.
- 3 SECTION 4. EXPIRATION DATE. This Act is effective through June 30, 2007, and
- 4 after that date is ineffective.