

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1442**

Introduced by

Representatives Wieland, Bellew, Delzer, Metcalf, Pollert

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 3 of section 50-06-05.3 and section  
2 50-06-05.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the human service council of a human  
3 service center.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 50-06-05.3 of the North Dakota  
6 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 3. ~~The human service council of a human service center shall be a council of not~~  
8 ~~more than~~ A human service center may establish a human service council that is  
9 composed of not more than thirteen members. ~~The~~ If established, the council must  
10 be appointed by the boards of county commissioners of the respective counties  
11 within the region meeting jointly with the director of the regional human service  
12 center, ~~except for the appointment of the initial human service council which must~~  
13 ~~be as provided in section 41 of chapter 486 of the 1981 Session Laws.~~ County  
14 commissioners may serve as members of the human service council; provided,  
15 that the commission members do not comprise more than one-third of the total  
16 council members. The terms of office must be two years and arranged so that the  
17 term of six members shall expire at the end of the first year and the term of seven  
18 members shall expire at the end of the second year. Members of each human  
19 service council are to be selected on the basis of population from residents of the  
20 counties in the region served by the human service center. Each county in the  
21 region must have at least one member on the human service council. To the  
22 extent possible, membership on the council must reflect regional interests in the  
23 fields of developmental disabilities, social services, vocational rehabilitation, mental  
24 health, and alcoholism and drug abuse. Members shall elect from the council

1 membership a chairman and other officers as the council deems necessary. All  
2 members of each council must be residents of the area served by the regional  
3 human service center. Vacancies occurring on the board for other than the  
4 expiration of a term must be filled in the same manner as original appointments,  
5 except that appointments must be made only for the unexpired term. Members of  
6 the human service council ~~must be compensated at the rate of forty five dollars per~~  
7 ~~day, not to exceed twenty five days in any one year. The members must also be~~  
8 ~~paid for mileage and actual expenses incurred in attending meetings and in the~~  
9 ~~performance of their official duties in the amounts provided by law for other state~~  
10 ~~officers~~ are not entitled to receive per diem compensation or reimbursement of  
11 expenses from the department.

12 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-06-05.4 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
13 amended and reenacted as follows:

14 **50-06-05.4. ~~Duties of human~~ Human service council - Powers.** ~~The A human~~  
15 ~~service councils of the~~ council, if established by a regional human service centers shall perform  
16 ~~the following duties~~ center, may:

- 17 1. Assist in needs assessment and the planning and development of health and  
18 social resources to assure the effective and efficient delivery of high-quality human  
19 services fully accessible to all citizens.
- 20 2. Review and evaluate services and programs provided by the centers and make  
21 periodic reports to the department together with any recommendations the councils  
22 may have for improvement in services, programs, or facilities.
- 23 3. Promote cooperation and working agreements with private human service  
24 agencies.
- 25 4. Review the budgets for submission to the executive director for consideration and  
26 submission within the budget request for the department.
- 27 5. Promote local and regional financing from public and private sources.