Representatives Grande, Devlin, Kreidt
Senators Andrist, Brown, Lyson

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of corrections and rehabilitation for a pilot project for an alternative care program for adults with substance abuse issues; and to provide for a report to the legislative assembly.

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

## SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - PILOT PROJECT - REPORT TO SIXTIETH

LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $\$ 150,000$, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of corrections and rehabilitation for the purpose of reimbursing a nonprofit, faith-based organization in North Dakota for room and board costs associated with an extended residential care program in northwestern North Dakota for indigent adults with alcohol or other substance abuse issues as a pilot project, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007. The recipient, selected by a competitive bid process, shall use the funding for room and board costs relating to the pilot project. The department shall establish criteria that meets standards and best practices of the American corrections association for the population to be served and for the residential care services to be provided. The department shall provide a report to the sixtieth legislative assembly on the pilot project. The report must include information on the results and outcomes of the pilot project, the department's recommendations regarding continuing or expanding funding for the program, and its recommendations regarding the development of a payment system for room and board costs for these residential care services providers.

