Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2216

Introduced by

Senators Lyson, Fischer, Seymour

Representatives Delmore, S. Meyer, Mueller, Porter

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-34-07 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to reimbursement for medical screening examinations that precede acute forensic
- 3 medical examinations.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 12.1-34-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

12.1-34-07. Acute Medical screening and acute forensic medical examinations costs - Reimbursement by attorney general - Use of evidence.

- 1. An acute forensic medical examination is an examination performed on an alleged victim of criminal sexual conduct for the purpose of gathering evidence of an alleged crime and is performed within ninety-six hours after the alleged crime unless good cause is shown for the delay in performing the examination. When an acute forensic medical examination is performed, the costs incurred by a health care facility or health care professional for performing the acute forensic medical examination or any preliminary medical screening examination may not be charged, either directly or through a third-party payer, to the alleged victim.
- Upon submission of appropriate documentation, the attorney general, within the limits of legislative appropriations, shall reimburse the health care facility or a health care professional for the reasonable costs incurred in performing an the medical screening and acute forensic medical examination.
- 3. Evidence obtained during an acute forensic a medical examination under this section may not be used against an alleged victim for the prosecution of the alleged victim for a separate offense.