

**Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2011**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1230  
(Representatives Delmore, DeKrey, Hawken, Kretschmar)  
(Senators Nething, Heckaman)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 12.1-34-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to fair treatment of victims and witnesses and confidential records.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-34-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**12.1-34-03. (Contingent expiration date - See note) Responsibilities of victims and witnesses.**

Victims and witnesses have all of the following responsibilities to aid in the prosecution of crime:

1. To make a timely report of the crime.
2. To cooperate with law enforcement authorities throughout the investigation, prosecution, and trial.
3. To testify at trial.
4. To notify law enforcement authorities, prosecuting attorney, custodial authority, parole board, pardon clerk, and court, where appropriate, of any change of address. The Except for release to a domestic violence sexual assault organization as defined in section 14-07.1-01, the address information provided to these persons must be kept confidential.

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1. To make a timely report of the crime.
2. To cooperate with law enforcement authorities throughout the investigation, prosecution, and trial.
3. To testify at trial.
4. To notify the system, law enforcement authorities, prosecuting attorney, custodial authority, parole board, pardon clerk, and court, where appropriate, of any change of contact information. All Except for release to a domestic violence sexual assault organization as defined in section 14-07.1-01, all contact information provided must be kept confidential.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1230.

House Vote:    Yeas 92            Nays 0            Absent 2

Senate Vote:    Yeas 44            Nays 2            Absent 1

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2011.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2011,

at \_\_\_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State