Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2265

Introduced by

Senators Schneider, Armstrong, Lyson

Representatives Kretschmar, Meier, Mock

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-27.2-05 of the North Dakota Century
- 2 Code, relating to sexual performance by a minor.

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

4 SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 12.1-27.2-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is

5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **12.1-27.2-05. Sexual performance by a minor - Affirmative defenses.**

7 It is an affirmative defense to a prosecution under this chapter that:

- The defendant in good faith reasonably believed the person appearing in the
 performance was eighteen years of age or older; or
- The material or performance involved was disseminated or presented for a bona fide
 medical, scientific, educational, religious, governmental, judicial, or other appropriate
- 12 purpose by or to a physician, psychologist, sociologist, scientist, teacher, person

13 pursuing bona fide studies or research, librarian, member of the clergy, prosecutor,

- 14 judge, or other person having a similar interest in the material or performance; or
- 15 3. The defendant had no financial interest in promoting a sexual performance by a minor,
- 16 other than employment in a theater, which employment does not include-
- 17 compensation based upon any proportion of the receipts arising from promotion of the
- 18 sexual performance, and that person was in no way responsible for acquiring the
- 19 material for sale, rental, or exhibition.