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SENATE BILL NO. 2029

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Legislative Management

(Commission on Alternatives to Incarceration)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 19-03.1-45 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to probation and treatment for drug abuse; and to provide a penalty.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 19-03.1-45 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 19-03.1-45. Drug abuse assessment and treatment Presentence investigation Certified drug abuse treatment programs.
 - 1. If a person has pled guilty or has been found guilty of a felony violation of subsection 7 of section 19-03.1-23, if that person has not previously pled guilty or been found guilty of any offense involving the use, possession, manufacture, or delivery of a controlled substance or of any other felony offense of this or another state or the federal government, and if the court imposes probation, the court shall impose a period of probation of not less than eighteen months in conjunction up to the length authorized under section 12.1-32-06.1 with a suspended execution of a sentence of imprisonment, a sentence to probation, or an order deferring imposition of sentence.
 - Upon a plea or finding of guilt of a person subject to the provisions of subsection 1, the
 court shall order a presentence investigation to be conducted by the department. The
 presentence investigation shallmust include a drug and alcohol evaluation conducted
 by a licensed addiction counselor.
 - 3. If the licensed addiction counselor recommends treatment, the court shall require the person to participate in an addiction program licensed by the department of human services as a condition of the probation. The court shall commit the person to treatment through a licensed addiction program until determined suitable for discharge by the court. The term of treatment shallmay not exceed eighteen months and may

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- include an aftercare plan. During the commitment and while subject to probation, the person shall be supervised by the department shall supervise the person.
 - 4. If the person fails to participate in, or has a pattern of intentional conduct that demonstrates the person's refusal to comply with or participate in the treatment program, as established by judicial finding, the person shall beis subject to revocation of the probation. Notwithstanding subsection 2 of section 12.1-32-02, the amount of time participating in the treatment program under this section is not "time spent in custody" and will not be a credit against any sentence to term of imprisonment.
 - 5. In this section:
 - a. "Department" means the department of corrections and rehabilitation; and
 - b. "Licensed addiction counselor" is a person licensed pursuant to section 43-45-05.1.