

**SENATE BILL NO. 2175**

Introduced by

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Representatives Kasper, Skroch

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 50-06-42 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the substance use disorder treatment voucher system.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 50-06-42 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **50-06-42. Substance use disorder treatment voucher system.**

- 7 1. The department shall establish and administer, within the limits of legislative  
8 appropriations, a voucher system to address underserved areas and gaps in the  
9 state's substance abuse treatment system and to assist in the payment of addiction  
10 treatment services provided by private licensed substance abuse treatment programs  
11 and hospital- or medical clinic-based programs for medical management of  
12 withdrawal.
- 13 2. To be eligible to receive a voucher under the voucher program, an applicant must be a  
14 resident of this state who is at least fourteen years of age and who meets eligibility  
15 requirements established by the department.
- 16 3. Services eligible for the voucher program include only those levels of care recognized  
17 by the American society of addiction medicine, with particular emphasis given to  
18 underserved areas and programs. The department shall ensure that a private licensed  
19 substance abuse treatment program, hospitals, and medical clinic programs accepting  
20 vouchers collects and reports process and outcome measures. The department shall  
21 develop requirements and provide training and technical assistance to a private  
22 licensed substance abuse treatment program, hospitals, and medical clinic programs  
23 accepting vouchers. A private licensed substance abuse treatment program, hospital,  
24 and medical clinic program accepting vouchers shall provide evidence-based services.