

**Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

SENATE BILL NO. 2161  
(Senators Lee, Hogan, K. Roers)  
(Representatives Dobervich, Weisz, Westlind)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a mental health program registry; to provide for a legislative management study; and to declare an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 50-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Mental health program registry.**

The department shall establish and maintain a registry of mental health programs in the state. A mental health program shall provide the information and documentation necessary to the department at least annually in the form and manner prescribed by the department. The department shall make the registry available to the public on the department's website.

**SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - EXPANDED BEHAVIORAL HEALTH SERVICES.** During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the implementation of expanded behavioral health services, including section 1915(i) waiver implementation, capacity and utilization of the state hospital, a behavioral health bed management system, and implementation of the recommendations of the 2018 North Dakota behavioral health system study conducted by the human services research institute. The legislative management shall report its finding and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-eighth legislative assembly.

**SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2161 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote:        Yeas 44                      Nays 2                      Absent 1

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote:        Yeas 85                      Nays 6                      Absent 3

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Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2021.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2021,

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

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Secretary of State