

HOUSE BILL NO. 1332

Introduced by

Representatives Prichard, Marschall, Rohr, D. Ruby, M. Ruby, Steiner, Toman

Senator Magrum

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-41 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the regulation of social workers.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 43-41 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Ethics - Caring for individuals questioning their identity.**

- 7 1. ~~It is not an ethical violation for a licensee to engage in practices or treatments that~~
8 ~~attempt to change or repair the sexual orientation or gender identity of lesbian, gay,~~
9 ~~bisexual, transgender, and queer individuals~~It is not an ethical violation for a licensee
10 to engage in practices or a treatment plan that align with the individual's sex or
11 preference for heterosexual marriage and relationships.
- 12 2. As a condition of engaging in practices or treatment under this section, a licensee:
- 13 a. Shall disclose to the individual being treated, or that individual's parent or
14 guardian, the nature of the treatment or practices; and
- 15 b. Must have received authorization from the individual being treated, or that
16 individual's parent or guardian, to engage in the practices or treatments.