

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1116**

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 25-02-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the structure of the department of human services and changes in terminology.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 25-02-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **25-02-01.1. Maintenance of state hospital accreditation - Governing body**  
7 **membership - Rulemaking authority.**

8 1. The department of human services shall seek appropriations and resources sufficient  
9 to ensure maintenance of the state hospital's accreditation by the joint commission ~~on~~  
10 ~~accreditation of health care organizations~~ and certification by the ~~health care financing~~  
11 ~~administration~~ centers for Medicare and Medicaid services or by similar accrediting and  
12 certifying organizations and agencies possessing hospital standards recognized by the  
13 health care industry and accepted by the department.

14 2. The department, in consultation with the state hospital, shall create a state hospital  
15 governing body and shall by rules describe the powers and duties of the governing  
16 body. The department shall compensate members not employed by the department in  
17 the amount of one hundred dollars per day and reimburse members for expenses  
18 incurred in attending meetings in the amounts provided by sections 44-08-04 and  
19 54-06-09.

20 3. The governing body must be composed of the executive director of the department of  
21 human services; the director of the division of ~~mental health services~~ behavioral health  
22 of the department, who shall serve as chairman of the governing body; the state  
23 hospital superintendent; the state hospital medical director; a representative of the  
24 department's fiscal management of the state hospital administration division; a

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- 1            mental~~behavioral~~ health services consumer selected by the mental health association;
- 2            and a legislator selected by the legislative management. The governing body may
- 3            include other persons as appointed by the governing body.