

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1481**

Introduced by

Representative Dobervich

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 23-02.1-27 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to access to death records.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 2 of section 23-02.1-27 of the North Dakota  
5 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 2. A certified copy of a complete death record may be issued to a relative, an authorized  
7 representative, the child fatality review board, a licensed physician, or a genetic sibling  
8 for the purposes of researching family medical history; a funeral director, coroner,  
9 medical examiner, or state forensic examiner reporting the facts of death; a person  
10 with personal or real property interests that depend upon information contained in the  
11 complete death record; or by the order of a court of competent jurisdiction, and may  
12 include the cause of death and the social security number. A certified copy of the facts  
13 of death record that includes the facts of death and the social security number may be  
14 issued to any person that may obtain a certified copy of a complete death record or to  
15 any licensed attorney who requires the copy for a bona fide legal determination. A  
16 certified copy of an informational death record may be issued to the general public, but  
17 the copy may not contain the cause of death or the social security number.