

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Human Services Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 43-45-01 and section 43-45-06
2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the scope of practice of addiction counselors.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 43-45-01 of the North Dakota Century
5 Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 6 1. "Addiction counseling" means the provision of counseling or assessment of
7 ~~persons~~individuals regarding ~~their~~gambling or the use or abuse of alcohol, tobacco,
8 nicotine, or a controlled~~other harmful~~ substance or behavior, as defined in the
9 "Diagnostic and Statistical Manual of Mental Disorders", American psychiatric
10 association, fifth edition, text revision (2013), or a future edition adopted by the board.

11 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-45-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is
12 amended and reenacted as follows:

13 **43-45-06. Addiction counseling practice - Exemptions.**

- 14 1. ~~Nothing in this~~This chapter ~~may be construed to~~does not prevent any person from
15 doing work within the standards and ethics of that person's profession and calling,
16 ~~provided~~if that the person does not represent to the public, by title or by use of the
17 initials L.A.C., that the person is engaging in addiction counseling.
- 18 2. ~~Nothing in this~~This chapter ~~may be construed to~~does not prevent addiction counseling
19 trainees or interns in board-approved programs from engaging in addiction counseling
20 related to training.