

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1502

(Representatives Hoverson, Bellew, Dyk, Fisher, Heilman, Henderson, Marschall, Meier, D. Ruby)
(Senators Paulson, Weston)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to access to hospital care.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 23-16 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

COVID-19 vaccination status - Access to care.

A hospital may not deny health care treatment or services to an individual based on that individual's severe acute respiratory syndrome coronavirus 2, identified as SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) vaccination status.

Dennis E. Johnson
Speaker of the House

Tammy Lyle
President of the Senate

Buell F. Reick
Chief Clerk of the House

Sandra Morgan
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1502.

House Vote: Yeas 87 Nays 4 Absent 3

Senate Vote: Yeas 27 Nays 17 Absent 3

Buell F. Reick
Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 11:40 AM. on April 6, 2023.

Approved at 1:17 P.M. on April 7, 2023.

Doug Burgum
Governor

Filed in this office this 10th day of April, 2023,

at 8:46 o'clock A M.

Michael Howe
Secretary of State