

**SENATE BILL NO. 2111**

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the Board of Counselor Examiners)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-47-05 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to licensure exceptions for counseling practice in North Dakota.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-47-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **43-47-05. Counseling practice - Exceptions.**

- 7 1. This chapter does not prevent any person licensed by the state from doing work within  
8 the standards and ethics of that person's profession, if that person does not represent  
9 to the public that the person is a professional counselor or associate professional  
10 counselor.
- 11 2. This chapter does not apply to the activities, services, or use of an official title on the  
12 part of a person employed as a counselor by any federal, state, or local political  
13 subdivision or by a private or public educational institution within the grades of  
14 kindergarten through twelfth grade, if the person is performing counseling within the  
15 scope of employment.
- 16 3. This chapter does not prevent students or trainees who are enrolled in programs  
17 leading to counseling degrees from interning within the limitations set by the rules  
18 adopted by the board under chapter 28-32.
- 19 4. This chapter does not prevent a licensed attorney from providing services within the  
20 scope of the practice of law.
- 21 5. This chapter does not prevent a member of the clergy of any religious denomination  
22 from providing services within the scope of ministerial duties.
- 23 6. This chapter does not prevent the employment of, or volunteering by, individuals in  
24 nonprofit agencies or community organizations if these persons do not hold

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- 1 themselves out to the public as professional counselors or associate professional
- 2 counselors.