## Emergency Rule Draft Motion and Findings Board of Pharmacy Special Meeting 11/30/12 10AM Harvest Room, ND State Capital

Senior Member Gary Dewhirst stated we have heard from those that are knowledgeable about the dangers of these substances and feel that it is our duty as the Board of Pharmacy to take action.

Motion made by Board Member Gayle Ziegler to adopt the draft version of the changes to 61-13 Controlled substances as an emergency rule based on the following findings that are taken from today's meeting:

- The chemical groups identified in the rule have a significant abuse history
- Abuse is widespread and growing across North Dakota with deaths specifically tied to these types of substances
- The medical impact of these substances on humans is largely unknown but the current users are abusing these products to get the hallucinogenic and stimulant effects they create.
- These substances and their analogs present an immediate peril to the general public of residents of North Dakota.
- By nature of the new substances chemical structure, these compounds can cause severe psychic or
  physiological dependence, have a high potential for abuse, and have no accepted medical use and
  thus fit under the category of Schedule I substances
- The approach of scheduling these groups based off of changes that could be made to the core chemical structure is necessary to ensure we are being proactive, to the greatest extent possible, to assure the safety of the public
- Imminent peril threatens public health, safety, or welfare, which would be abated by emergency effectiveness of these rules

## **Seconded by Public Member Fran Gronberg**

Roll Call vote –
Bonnie Thom – Aye
Fran Gronberg – Aye
Diane Halvorson – Aye
Gayle Ziegler – Aye
Shane Wendel – Aye
Gary Dewhirst – Aye

The motion carried for the Board of Pharmacy to adopt the emergency rule on the scheduling of these substances