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Dept. of Human Services Names Chief Financial Officer

BISMARCK, N.D. – The N.D. Department of Human Services has appointment Deb McDermott as chief financial officer. McDermott has served as the department’s assistant director of accounting since 1998. She begins her new position on Monday, Nov. 19, 2012.

“Deb brings a wealth of expertise in financial management to her new position,” said Maggie Anderson, the department’s interim executive director. “She also has a clear understanding about how the department’s programs and services help vulnerable North Dakotans maintain and enhance their quality of life.”

As chief financial officer, McDermott will lead a 40-person Fiscal Administration Division responsible for the implementation and management of the department’s \$2.6 billion budget.

McDermott has worked in the field of accounting and finance for nearly 28 years for the state of North Dakota. She began her career as an auditor with the N.D. Office of the State Auditor. She joined the Department of Human Services in 1994 as an accounting budget specialist responsible for preparing revenue projections, fiscal notes for Legislative Council, financial schedules to monitor various program budgets, and expenditure management. Four years later, she was promoted to assistant director of accounting.

McDermott is a certified public accountant. She earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of Mary in Bismarck and an associate’s degree in business administration from Valley City State University.

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