

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with House Amendments**

Fifty-fifth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2159**

Introduced by

Senators Tallackson, Sand

Representatives Gorder, Henegar, Monson, Olson

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact subsection 11 to section 39-24-09 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to liability insurance for snowmobiles; to amend and reenact subsection  
3 38 of section 39-01-01 and section 39-24-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the  
4 definition of a motor vehicle and liability insurance for snowmobiles; and to provide a penalty.

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

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 38 of section 39-01-01 of the 1995  
7 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 38. "Motor vehicle" includes every vehicle ~~which~~ that is self-propelled, every vehicle  
9 ~~which~~ that is propelled by electric power obtained from overhead trolley wires, but  
10 not operated upon rails, and, for purposes of motor vehicle registration, title  
11 registration, and operator's licenses, motorized bicycles. The term does not  
12 include a snowmobile as defined in section 39-24-01.

13 **SECTION 2.** Subsection 11 of section 39-24-09 of the 1995 Supplement to the North  
14 Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

15 11. Any snowmobile that is required to be registered under this chapter must be  
16 covered by a policy of liability insurance which insures the person named, and any  
17 person using the snowmobile with the express or implied permission of the person  
18 named, against loss from the liability imposed by law for damages arising out of  
19 the ownership, maintenance, or use of the snowmobile within this state, subject to  
20 the following limits, exclusive of interest and costs, with respect to each  
21 snowmobile: twenty-five thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of  
22 one person in any one accident and, subject to the limit for one person, fifty  
23 thousand dollars because of bodily injury to or death of two or more persons in any  
24 one accident, and twenty-five thousand dollars because of injury to or destruction

1                    of property of others in any one accident. Upon request of a law enforcement  
2                    officer, a person operating a snowmobile shall provide proof of liability insurance to  
3                    that officer within twenty days.

4                    **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-24-11 of the 1995 Supplement to the North  
5                    Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6                    **39-24-11. Penalties.** Any person who violates subdivision b, c, or g of subsection 5 of  
7                    section 39-24-09 is guilty of a class B misdemeanor. Any person who violates subsection 11 of  
8                    section 39-24-09 is guilty of a class B misdemeanor and must be assessed a fine of at least  
9                    one hundred dollars. Any person who violates any other provision of section 39-24-09 must be  
10                   assessed a fee of twenty dollars. Any person, unless specifically exempted, who fails to  
11                   register as required by section 39-24-02 must be assessed a fee of fifty dollars. If the person  
12                   provides proof of registration ~~since~~ after the violation, the fee may be reduced by one-half. Any  
13                   person who violates any other provision of this chapter for which a specific penalty is not  
14                   provided must be assessed a fee of ten dollars.