

Fifty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1319

Introduced by

Representatives Kempenich, Mickelson, Drovdal

Senator Fischer

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-12-03 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to weight-restricted roads.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-12-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **39-12-03. Commissioner or local authorities may limit use of vehicles on**
7 **highways.** ~~Whenever any~~ If a highway will be seriously damaged or destroyed by reason of
8 deterioration, rain, snow, or other climatic conditions unless the use of vehicles is prohibited or
9 the weight of ~~the vehicle thereon~~ vehicles is limited, the ~~commissioner~~ director or employees
10 authorized by ~~him~~ the director by an order, and local authorities by ordinance or resolution, may
11 prohibit the operation of vehicles upon ~~such~~ the highway or may impose restrictions as to the
12 weight of vehicles. The ~~commissioner~~ director or employees making ~~such~~ the order and local
13 authorities enacting ~~any such~~ the ordinance or resolution shall ~~erect or cause to be have~~
14 erected and maintained signs designating the provisions of the order, ordinance, or resolution.
15 ~~Such~~ The signs must be erected and maintained at each end of ~~that~~ the portion of ~~any~~ highway
16 affected ~~thereby~~ by the order, ordinance, or resolution, and ~~such~~ the order, ordinance, or
17 resolution is not effective until ~~such~~ the signs are erected and maintained. The operation of
18 trucks or other commercial vehicles or weight limitations ~~as to the weight thereof on trucks or~~
19 other commercial vehicles on designated highways may be prohibited or limited in the same
20 manner. On highways as they enter this state, the director shall place an additional sign above
21 any sign designating weight limitations on trucks and other commercial vehicles. This
22 additional sign must list the maximum axle weight in two hundred point type in black letters on
23 an orange background.