Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Tuesday, the fifth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine

SENATE BILL NO. 2216 (Senators Thompson, T. Mathern) (Representatives Delmore, Rose, Thorpe, Stefonowicz)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 5-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the shipment of alcoholic beverages; and to provide a penalty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 5-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Direct sale from out-of-state seller to consumer - Penalty.

- 1. No person in the business of selling alcoholic beverages may knowingly or intentionally ship, or cause to be shipped, any alcoholic beverage from an out-of-state location directly to a person in this state who is not a wholesaler.
- 2. No person in the business of transporting goods may knowingly or intentionally transport any alcoholic beverage, from an out-of-state location of a person in the business of selling alcoholic beverages, directly to a person in this state who is not a wholesaler.
- 3. For a first violation of subsection 1 or 2, the state treasurer shall notify, by certified mail, the violator and order that person to cease and desist any shipment of alcoholic beverages in violation of subsection 1 or 2. The second violation of subsection 1 or 2 is a class A misdemeanor and a third and subsequent violation is a class C felony.
- 4. The alcoholic beverage transported in violation of this section and the vehicle used in violation of this section are forfeitable property under chapter 29-31.1.

This section does not apply to a transaction in which an individual twenty-one years of age or older who imports or transports into this state 2.38 gallons [9 liters] or less of liquor or two hundred eighty-eight fluid ounces [8517.18 milliliters] or less of beer per month for personal use and not for resale from a person as described under subsection 1 or 2. Every package of alcoholic beverages shipped directly to an individual in this state must be labeled with conspicuous words "SIGNATURE OF PERSON AGE 21 OR OLDER REQUIRED FOR DELIVERY". A shipper shall obtain the signature of an individual twenty-one years of age or older before delivering any alcoholic beverages shipped directly to an individual in this state.

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