Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## HOUSE BILL NO. 1200

Introduced by

Representatives Rennerfeldt, Kempenich, Nichols

Senators Kinnoin, Lyson

- 1 A BILL for an Act relating to the unauthorized removal or possession of purple coneflowers,
- 2 Echinacea purpurea or Echinacea augustifolia; and to provide a penalty.

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

4 SECTION 1. Purple coneflowers (Echinacea purpurea or Echinacea augustifolia) -5 Unauthorized removal - Penalty. A person is guilty of a class A misdemeanor, is subject to 6 court-ordered restitution to the landowner, and also is subject to a civil penalty of up to ten 7 thousand dollars if that person willfully enters upon land owned or leased by another and, 8 without the express written consent of the owner or lessee, removes or attempts to remove a 9 purple coneflower, Echinacea purpurea or Echinacea augustifolia, from the land. A person is 10 guilty of a class A misdemeanor and also is subject to a civil penalty of up to ten thousand 11 dollars if that person willfully possesses a purple coneflower removed from land in violation of 12 this section. Any vehicle used to transport a purple coneflower removed or possessed in 13 violation of this section is forfeitable property under chapter 29-31.1.