

Fifty-seventh
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2124

Introduced by

Human Services Committee

(At the request of the State Department of Health)

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new subsection to section 23-25-01 and a new
2 subsection to section 23-25-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to lead-based paint
3 remediation and abatement; to amend and reenact section 23-25-03.1 and subsection 1 of
4 section 23-25-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to lead-based paint remediation
5 and abatement; and to provide an appropriation.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 23-25-01 of the 1999 Supplement to the
8 North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

9 "Lead-based paint" means paint or other surface coatings that contain lead equal
10 to or in excess of 1.0 milligram per square centimeter or more than 0.5 percent by
11 weight.

12 **SECTION 2.** A new subsection to section 23-25-03 of the 1999 Supplement to the
13 North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

14 Provide by rules a program for implementing lead-based paint remediation training,
15 certification, and performance requirements in accordance with 15 U.S.C.A. 2601
16 et seq., Toxic Substances Control Act, subchapter IV, lead exposure reduction.

17 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 23-25-03.1 of the 1999 Supplement to the North
18 Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

19 **23-25-03.1. Licensing of asbestos and lead-based paint contractors and**
20 **certification of asbestos and lead-based paint workers.** The department is charged with
21 the responsibility of administering and enforcing a licensing program for asbestos contractors
22 and lead-based paint contractors, and a certification program for asbestos workers and
23 lead-based paint workers and is given and charged with the following powers and duties:

- 1 1. To require training of, and to examine, asbestos workers and lead-based paint
- 2 workers.
- 3 2. To establish standards and procedures for the licensing of contractors, and the
- 4 certification of asbestos workers engaging in the abatement of friable asbestos
- 5 materials or nonfriable asbestos materials that become friable during abatement,
- 6 and to establish performance standards for asbestos abatement. The performance
- 7 standards will be as stringent as those standards adopted by the United States
- 8 environmental protection agency pursuant to section 112 of the Federal Clean Air
- 9 Act, as amended.
- 10 3. To establish standards and procedures for the licensing of contractors and the
- 11 certification of lead-based paint workers engaging in the abatement of lead-based
- 12 paint and to establish performance standards for lead-based paint abatement.
- 13 4. To issue certificates to all applicants who satisfy the requirements for certification
- 14 under this section and any rules under this section, to renew certificates and to
- 15 suspend or revoke certificates for cause after notice and opportunity for hearing.
- 16 ~~4.~~ 5. To establish an annual fee and renewal fees for licensing asbestos contractors and
- 17 lead-based paint contractors and certifying asbestos and lead-based paint workers
- 18 and to establish examination fees for asbestos and lead-based paint workers
- 19 under section 23-25-04.2.
- 20 ~~5.~~ 6. To establish indoor environmental nonoccupational air quality standards for
- 21 asbestos.
- 22 ~~6.~~ 7. To adopt and enforce rules as necessary for the implementation of this section.

23 For nonpublic employees performing asbestos abatement in facilities or on facility components
24 owned or leased by their employer, only the provisions of rules adopted in accordance with the
25 Federal Asbestos Hazard Emergency Response Act of 1986 [Pub. L. 99-519; 100 Stat. 2970;
26 15 U.S.C. 2641 et seq.], as amended, or the Federal Clean Air Act [Pub. L. 95-95; 91 Stat. 685;
27 42 U.S.C. 7401 et seq.], as amended, apply to this section. This does not include ownership
28 that was acquired solely to effect a demolition or renovation.

29 **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 1 of section 23-25-05 of the North Dakota
30 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1 1. Any duly authorized officer, employee, or agent of the department may enter and
2 inspect any property, premise, or place on or at which an air contaminant source or
3 lead-based paint remediation activity is located or is being constructed, installed, or
4 established at any reasonable time for the purpose of ascertaining the state of
5 compliance with this chapter and rules and regulations enforced pursuant thereto.
6 If requested, the owner or operator of the premises shall receive a report setting
7 forth all facts found which relate to compliance status.

8 **SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
9 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived
10 from federal funds and from other income, the sum of \$130,000, or so much of the sum as may
11 be necessary, to the state department of health for the purpose of regulating lead-based paint
12 activities, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003.