

Fifty-eighth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1215

Introduced by

Representatives Dosch, Clark, Delmore, Kasper, Meier

Senator Dever

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-21 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to tampering with, disabling, or falsely sounding a fire alarm and  
3 tampering with or disabling fire suppression equipment; to provide a penalty; and to declare an  
4 emergency.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 12.1-21 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
7 created and enacted as follows:

8 **Tampering with, disabling, or falsely sounding a fire alarm - Tampering with or**  
9 **disabling fire suppression equipment.**

- 10 1. A person may not tamper with, disable, or falsely sound an alarm signifying a fire  
11 in a hotel, motel, roominghouse, lodginghouse, or other place of public abode or in  
12 any other public place so as to endanger person or property. A person does not  
13 violate this subsection if that person sounds an alarm and has a reasonable belief  
14 there is a fire endangering person or property.
- 15 2. A person may not tamper with or disable fire suppression equipment in a hotel,  
16 motel, roominghouse, lodginghouse, or other place of abode or in any other public  
17 place so as to endanger person or property.
- 18 3. A violation of this section is a class B misdemeanor.

19 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.