Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1263

Introduced by

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Representative Wald

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 32-03.2-02.1 of the North Dakota Century
- 2 Code, relating to automobile accident damage liability.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 32-03.2-02.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 32-03.2-02.1. Automobile accident damage liability. Notwithstanding section
 32-03.2-02, in an action by any person to recover direct and indirect damages for injury to
 property, the damages may not be diminished in proportion to the amount of contributing fault
 attributable to the person recovering, or otherwise, if:
 - The party person seeking damages is seeking property damages resulting from a two-party motor vehicle accident in which two persons are at fault;
 - The party person seeking damages is seeking to recover direct physical property damages of not more than five thousand dollars and indirect damages not to exceed one thousand dollars; and
 - 3. The percentage of fault of the person against whom recovery is sought is over fifty percent.
- 17 <u>This section applies regardless as to whether the person seeking direct and indirect</u>
 18 <u>damages for injury to property also seeks damages for personal injury.</u>
- A person seeking to recover for indirect and direct damages for injury to property as a

 result of a motor vehicle accident, who is not at fault in contributing to the accident may recover

 one hundred percent of the direct and indirect damages from the person whose percentage of

 fault is over fifty percent.