Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2302

Introduced by

Senator Krebsbach

Representative Keiser

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 13-01-14 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to late payment charges on medical or hospital bills.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 4 of section 13-01-14 of the North Dakota
Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 6 4. No <u>A</u> creditor may <u>not</u> charge, receive, or collect a late payment charge on medical
 7 or hospital bills, except that if no payment has been made on the account within
- 8 the last ninety days, a during the initial ninety days following services. A late
- 9 payment charge may be imposed at a rate that does not exceed one percent per
- 10 month, but the charge cannot exceed twenty-five dollars per month. This
- 11 subsection does not apply if other payment arrangements have been entered
- 12 between the debtor and creditor or in cases of financial hardship as certified by the
- 13 <u>creditor.</u>