

Fifty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Senator J. Lee

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 43-13 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to eyeglasses prescriptions; and to amend and reenact section 43-13-02
3 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to eyeglasses prescribed by optometrists or
4 physicians.

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

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-13-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is
7 amended and reenacted as follows:

8 **43-13-02. Persons exempt from provisions of chapter.** The provisions of this
9 chapter do not apply to ~~the following persons:~~

- 10 1. Persons who sell spectacles, eyeglasses, or other articles of merchandise without
11 attempting to practice optometry.
- 12 2. Student interns who are currently enrolled in an optometry school or college
13 accredited by the council on optometric education of the American optometric
14 association, or who have graduated no more than three months prior, and are
15 under the immediate and direct supervision of a licensed optometrist.
- 16 3. Physicians ~~and surgeons~~ authorized to practice medicine in this state, except that
17 the provisions of section 2 of this Act and section 43-13-28 ~~remain~~ are applicable
18 to physicians.

19 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 43-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is
20 created and enacted as follows:

21 **Prescription of eyeglasses and spectacles.** An eyeglasses or spectacle prescription
22 remains valid until the expiration date noted on the prescription. Absent an expiration date, an
23 eyeglasses or spectacle prescription remains valid until otherwise invalidated by the issuing
24 optometrist or physician.