Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## SENATE BILL NO. 2290

Introduced by

Senators Heitkamp, Erbele, Tollefson

Representatives Amerman, Carlson, Gulleson

## 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 20.1-12-04 and 20.1-12-06 of the North

2 Dakota Century Code, relating to the operation and regulation of private shooting preserves.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-12-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is 5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **20.1-12-04.** Types of game that may be hunted on shooting preserve -

7 **Identification of game.** Game birds that may be stocked on a shooting preserve and hunted 8 under this chapter must be artificially propagated pheasants, quail, partridges, turkeys, prairie 9 chickens, and any other species allowed by the director. The director shall determine the 10 minimum stock of each species to be hunted and released on the permit area during the 11 shooting preserve season. All game birds propagated, possessed, or released on a shooting 12 preserve must be marked prior to release as prescribed by the director by rule. All mallard 13 ducks released on a shooting preserve must have the right hind toenails clipped before the 14 birds attain the age of four weeks have one front toe or one hind toe on either foot removed back to the first joint, including the nail, before becoming six weeks of age. An antipecking 15 16 device affixed to the bird before it is six weeks old and worn by the bird until it is at least fifteen 17 weeks old is acceptable in lieu of toe clipping if the antipecking device leaves a permanent, 18 easily identifiable mark through the nares.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 20.1-12-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is
amended and reenacted as follows:

20.1-12-06. Game birds to be tagged. Each shooting preserve operator shall tag all 22 game birds harvested by guests before the birds are consumed or removed from the shooting 23 preserve premises. The director shall provide tags to shooting preserve operators, at nominal 24 cost to them. Once affixed, tags must remain attached until the game birds are prepared for Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly

- 1 consumption. <u>At no time following release may a shooting preserve operator allow the number</u>
- 2 of wild and released birds harvested to exceed one hundred percent of the number of birds that
- 3 have been released. All birds must be healthy when released.