## FIRST ENGROSSMENT

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## ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1112

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Agriculture Committee

(At the request of the Agriculture Commissioner)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 36-24-26 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to penalties for violating meat inspection laws; and to provide a penalty.

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

- SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 36-24-26 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
  - 36-24-26. General penalty Penalties. Violation of this chapter or a rule adopted under this chapter is a class A misdemeanor. The commissioner is not required to report for prosecution or for the institution of injunctive proceedings a minor violation of this chapter if the commissioner believes that the public interest will be adequately served by a suitable written warning.
    - A person who violates a provision of this chapter is guilty of a class A
      misdemeanor.
      - 2. A person who violates a provision of this chapter or a rule adopted under this chapter is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars for each violation. The civil penalty may be imposed by a court or by the agriculture commissioner in an administrative proceeding.
  - 3. Imposing a penalty allowed in subsection 1 or 2 does not preclude the commissioner from seeking to impose other sanctions or from seeking other remedies for violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter.