Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT with Senate Amendments ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1112

Introduced by

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.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 36-24-26 of the North Dakota Century Code is 5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **36-24-26.** General penalty Penalties. Violation of this chapter or a rule adopted under

7 this chapter is a class A misdemeanor. The commissioner is not required to report for

8 prosecution or for the institution of injunctive proceedings a minor violation of this chapter if the

9 commissioner believes that the public interest will be adequately served by a suitable written

10 warning.

11	<u>1.</u>	A person who violates a provision of this chapter is guilty of a class A
12		misdemeanor.
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13 <u>2.</u> <u>A person willfully violating this chapter or a rule adopted under this chapter is</u>

14 <u>subject to a civil penalty not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars for each violation.</u>

15 <u>The civil penalty may be imposed by a court or by the agriculture commissioner in</u>
16 an administrative proceeding.

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.