

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

Introduced by

(At the request of the Department of Agriculture)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 36-24-25 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to penalties for violating meat inspection laws.

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 1. A person who violates a provision in this chapter or a rule adopted under it is guilty
12 of a class A misdemeanor.
- 13 2. A person who violates a provision in this chapter or a rule adopted under it is
14 subject to a civil penalty not to exceed one thousand dollars for each violation.
15 The civil penalty may be imposed by a court or by the agriculture commissioner in
16 an administrative proceeding.
- 17 3. Imposing penalties allowed in the preceding subsections does not preclude the
18 commissioner from seeking to impose other sanctions or from seeking other
19 remedies for violations of this chapter and rules adopted under it.