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HOUSE BILL NO. 1123

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Transportation Committee

(At the request of the Highway Patrol)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-08-09 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to immediate notification of an accident.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-08-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - 39-08-09. Immediate notice of accident Penalty.
 - 1. The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident resulting in injury to or death of any person, or property damage to an apparent extent of at least one thousand dollars, shall immediately give notice of the accident to the local police department if the accident occurs within a municipality, otherwise to the office of the county sheriff or the state highway patrol. Any person who violates this section must be assessed a fine of fifty dollars. The name of the motor vehicle insurance policy carrier and the policy number of the driver, or if the driver is not the owner of the vehicle, then the motor vehicle insurance policy carrier and the policy number of the owner of the vehicle, must be furnished to the law enforcement officer investigating the accident. If the driver does not have the required information concerning insurance to furnish to the investigating law enforcement officer, then within five days of the accident the driver shall supply that information to the driver's license division in the form the division requires.
 - 2. The director may suspend the license or permit to drive and any nonresident operating privileges of any person failing to comply with the duties as provided in sections 39-08-06 through 39-08-09 until those duties have been fulfilled, and the director may extend the suspension not to exceed thirty days.

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- 1 3. The driver of a vehicle involved in an accident with an undomesticated animal resulting
- 2 <u>in property damage only to the driver's vehicle is exempt from the notice requirements</u>
- 3 of this section, regardless of the amount of damage to the driver's vehicle.