Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1180

Introduced by

Representatives Rick C. Becker, Boehning, B. Koppelman, D. Ruby Senators Campbell, O. Larsen, Myrdal

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact new sections to chapters 20.1-02 and 39-07 of the North
- 2 Dakota Century Code, relating to requiring reasonable suspicion for certain traffic stops and
- 3 stops for violations of laws relating to wildlife.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 20.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:
- 7 <u>Halting requires reasonable suspicion.</u>
- 8 Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director, deputy director, chief game warden,
- 9 district game warden, or bonded appointees of the director may not halt an operator of a vehicle
- 10 solely to determine compliance with any of the provisions of this title and any other state laws
- 11 relating to wildlife, unless the officer has a reasonable suspicion to believe that there is a
- 12 <u>violation of this title or any other state laws relating to wildlife.</u>
- SECTION 2. A new section to chapter 39-07 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
- 14 and enacted as follows:
- 15 <u>Halting requires reasonable suspicion.</u>
- Notwithstanding any other provision of law, an officer may not halt an operator of a vehicle
- solely to determine compliance with any of the provisions of chapters 39-01 through 39-13,
- 18 39-18, 39-21, and 39-24, or equivalent ordinance, unless the officer has a reasonable suspicion
- 19 to believe that there is a violation of these chapters or of an equivalent ordinance. This section
- 20 does not apply to inspections and safety checkpoints for commercial motor vehicles.