

VETOES

H. B. No. 195
Introduced by Representative Schnell

STANDARDS OF FOODS AND DRUGS

An Act To amend and re-enact Section 19-0202, of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, relating to definitions, rules, regulations and standards of foods and drugs.

March 16th 1945

Honorable Thomas Hall,
Secretary of State,
Bismarck, North Dakota

Dear Mr. Hall:—

I am delivering herewith H. B. No. 195 without my approval. This bill requires eating places to designate whether meat served is first, second or third grade meat and provides a heavy penalty for violations. Much of the meat sold in North Dakota has no official grading. This law would be difficult to comply with and would in no way improve the quality of meat used in North Dakota.

I therefore veto this bill.

Respectfully,
Fred G. Aandahl (Signed)
Fred G. Aandahl
Governor

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Be It Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ I. AMENDMENT.] That Section 19-0202, of the North Dakota Revised Code of 1943, is hereby amended and re-enacted to read as follows:

19-0202. DEPARTMENT TO ESTABLISH DEFINITIONS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND STANDARDS OF FOODS AND DRUGS.] The department shall fix, adopt, publish, and enforce definitions, rules, regulations, and standards of quality, purity, and strength of articles of food and drugs for which no definitions, rules, regulations, and standards are prescribed by law including as to what constitutes first, second and third grade meats, for the purpose of:

1. Securing uniformity, as far as practicable, in the laws of this state and of the federal government and the ordinances of municipalities within this state;

2. Preventing fraud and deception in the manufacture, use, sale and transportation of food;
3. Preserving the public health;

It shall be the duty of all public eating places to designate by printed or written word on the menu, in a manner equally conspicuous with and immediately adjoining each item of meat offered for sale, whether such meat is first, second or third grade meat.

The violation of this Act shall be deemed a misdemeanor and punishable by a fine of not more than One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) or thirty (30) days in jail.

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