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CHAPTER 258

SENATE BILL NO. 2077 (Lips, Holand)

NEWSPAPER SHIELD LAW

AN ACT to provide protection of news sources and information from disclosure except under certain circumstances.

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

SECTION 1. DISCLOSURE OF NEWS SOURCES AND INFORMATION REQUIRED ONLY ON COURT ORDER.) No person shall be required in any proceeding or hearing to disclose any information or the source of any information procured or obtained while the person was engaged in gathering, writing, photographing, or editing news and was employed by or acting for any organization engaged in publishing or broadcasting news, unless directed by an order of a district court of this state which, after hearing, finds that the failure of disclosure of such evidence will cause a miscarriage of justice.

Approved March 10, 1973

CHAPTER 259

HOUSE BILL NO. 1483 (Metzger)

MILEAGE FOR WITNESSES

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 31-01-16 of the North Dakota Century Code, providing for payment of mileage to a witness in a criminal action.

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

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.) Section 31-01-16 of the North Dakota Century Code is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

31-01-16. COMPENSATION AND MILEAGE OF WITNESS - COUNTY TO PAY FEES IN CRIMINAL ACTION.) A witness in a civil or criminal case is entitled to receive:

- The sum of six dollars for each day's attendance before the district court or before any other court, board, or tribunal; and
- 2. The sum of ten cents for each mile actually traveled each way.

In all criminal cases such witness fees and mileage on the part of the state shall be paid out of the county treasury of the proper county.

Approved March 28, 1973