Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Monday, the sixth day of January, one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven

HOUSE BILL NO. 1105 (Finance and Taxation Committee) (At the request of the Tax Commissioner)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 57-01-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the collection of delinquent motor vehicle fuels, special fuels, importer for use, aviation fuel, and motor vehicle excise taxes from nonresident taxpayers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 57-01-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

57-01-13. Collection of delinquent sales, use, <u>motor vehicle fuels, special fuels, importer</u> <u>for use, aviation fuel, motor vehicle excise,</u> income, and business and corporation privilege taxes.

- Notwithstanding the secrecy and confidential information provisions in chapters 57-38 and 57-39.2, the tax commissioner may, for the purpose of collecting delinquent North Dakota sales, use, motor vehicle fuels, special fuels, importer for use, aviation fuel, motor vehicle excise, income, or business and corporation privilege taxes due from a taxpayer not residing or domiciled in this state, contract with any collection or credit agency, within or without the state, for the collection of such the delinquent sales, use, motor vehicle fuels, special fuels, importer for use, aviation fuel, motor vehicle excise, income, or business and corporation privilege taxes, including penalties and interest thereon. For purposes of this section, a delinquent tax is defined as a tax liability that is due and owing for a period longer than six months and for which the taxpayer has been given at least three notices in writing requesting payment, the first two notices must be sent by regular mail to the taxpayer at his the taxpayer's last known mailing address and the third notice must be sent by certified or registered mail to the taxpayer's last known mailing address. If the tax commissioner has assigned a delinquent tax liability pursuant to this section, subsequent sales, use, motor vehicle fuels, special fuels, importer for use, aviation fuel, motor vehicle excise, income, or business and corporation privilege taxes that become due from the same taxpayer may be assigned immediately and without further notice to the taxpayer, so long as the originally assigned liability has not been fully collected.
- 2. a. Fees for services, reimbursement, or any other remuneration to such a collection or credit agency must be based on the amount of tax, penalty, and interest actually collected. Each contract entered into between the tax commissioner and the collection or credit agency shall must provide for the payment of fees for such the services, reimbursements, or other remunerations not in excess of fifty percent of the amount of delinquent sales, use, motor vehicle fuels, special fuels, importer for use, aviation fuel, motor vehicle excise, income, or business and corporation privilege tax, including penalties and interest actually collected.
 - b. All funds collected, less the fees for collection services, as provided in the contract, must be remitted to the tax commissioner monthly from the date of collection from a taxpayer. Forms to be used for such the remittances must be prescribed by the tax commissioner.

- c. Before entering into such a contract, the tax commissioner shall require a bond from the collection or credit agency not in excess of ten thousand dollars, guaranteeing compliance with the terms of the contract.
- 3. A collection or credit agency entering into a contract with the tax commissioner for the collection of delinquent taxes pursuant to this section thereby agrees that it is doing business in this state for the purposes of the North Dakota income tax and business and corporation privilege tax laws.

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