

Fifty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1384

Introduced by

Representative Bernstein

Senator Heitkamp

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 43-09-22 and 43-09-23 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the inspections and penalties imposed by the state electrical board.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-09-22 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **43-09-22. Inspection of installation - Condemnation.** The board has jurisdiction
7 over and shall provide inspection for all electrical installations. Inspectors authorized by the
8 board may condemn installations hazardous to life and property ~~and or may order specific~~
9 ~~corrections to be made. Inspectors may order service thereto discontinued. Such action may~~
10 ~~not be taken except~~ after notice to the owner of the property ~~and~~. The order is subject to the
11 owner's right of appeal to the board. No condemned installation may be reconnected for
12 service until proof has been furnished that the installation has been brought up to the required
13 standards. The board may charge the master electrician responsible for the installation a fee to
14 cover the cost of inspection. Cities may make provisions for inspection of all electrical work
15 done within their corporate limits. City inspectors shall register their names with the board
16 within ten days after their appointment.

17 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-09-23 of the North Dakota Century Code is
18 amended and reenacted as follows:

19 **43-09-23. ~~Penalty~~ Criminal penalty - Reimbursement of costs.** Any person who
20 violates any of the provisions of this chapter is guilty of a class B misdemeanor. In addition to
21 any other penalty, the board may impose a fee on any person subject to regulation under this
22 chapter to reimburse the board for all or part of the costs of administrative actions resulting in
23 disciplinary action, including the amount paid by the board for services from the office of
24 administrative hearings, attorney's fees, witness fees, staff time, and other expenses.