

HOUSE BILL NO. 1195

Introduced by

Representative Klemin

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 43-01-18 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to fees charged by abstracters.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 43-01-18 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **43-01-18. Fees chargeable by abstracter.** An abstracter may charge no more than
7 the following fees, ~~and no more~~ for making and certifying to an abstract:

- 8 1. For each entry on an abstract or continuation thereof, five dollars.
- 9 2. For a complete certification covering the records of the several county offices, ~~sixty~~
10 seventy-five dollars.
- 11 3. For a certification covering lands in excess of one quarter section [64.75 hectares]
12 in the same abstract of title an additional fee of nine dollars, for each quarter
13 section [64.75 hectares] or portion thereof in excess of one, may be charged.
- 14 4. For a certification covering premises in more than one block in any subdivision in
15 the same abstract of title, an additional fee of nine dollars, for ~~such~~ the premises in
16 each additional block in excess of one, may be charged.
- 17 5. For each name searched for judgments, real estate taxes, bankruptcy proceedings,
18 federal tax liens, state tax liens, mechanics' liens and mechanics' lien notices,
19 three dollars and fees charged to the abstracter by governmental agencies or
20 governmental entities.
- 21 6. For all miscellaneous instruments, two dollars for the first one hundred words, and
22 one dollar for each additional hundred words or fraction thereof.
- 23 7. ~~Such~~ The fees as may be fixed by special statute.

- 1 8. After July 31, 2002, the board annually shall adjust all fees under this section for
2 increase or decrease based upon the annual change in the consumer price index
3 for all urban consumers as determined by the United States department of labor,
4 bureau of labor statistics. The board shall give notice of the annual adjustment to
5 all holders of a certificate of authority under this chapter.