

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with House Amendments**

Fifty-eighth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2302

Introduced by

Senator Krebsbach

Representative Keiser

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 4 of section 13-01-14 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to late payment charges on medical or hospital bills.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 4 of section 13-01-14 of the North Dakota
5 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

6 4. ~~No~~ A creditor may not charge, receive, or collect a late payment charge on medical
7 or hospital bills, ~~except that if no payment has been made on the account within~~
8 ~~the last ninety days, a~~ during the initial ninety days following services. A late
9 payment charge may be imposed at a rate that does not exceed one percent per
10 month, but the charge cannot exceed twenty-five dollars per month. This
11 subsection does not apply in cases of financial hardship as certified by the creditor.