

Sixty-second
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1442

Introduced by

Representatives Ruby, Gruchalla

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-21-45.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to modification of motor vehicles; and to provide for a legislative management study.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-21-45.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **39-21-45.1. Modification of motor vehicle.**

7 1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person may not operate upon a public
8 highway a motor vehicle of a type required to be registered under the laws of this state
9 with a registered gross weight of ~~sevensixteen~~ thousand pounds
10 [~~3175.147~~257.48 kilograms] or less with alterations or changes from the
11 manufacturer's original design of the suspension, steering, or braking system of the
12 motor vehicle. ~~The weight must be computed on the basis of the unmodified and~~
13 ~~unloaded weight of the motor vehicle and without regard to any ballast that may be~~
14 ~~placed in the vehicle.~~

15 2. As to bumpers, motor vehicle height, and permitted modifications, the following
16 requirements also apply:

17 1. a. The motor vehicle must be equipped with front and rear bumpers.

18 2. b. The maximum body height permitted for the motor vehicle is forty-two inches
19 [106.68 centimeters]. Measurement of body height is made from a level ground
20 surface to the floor of the cargo area.

21 3. c. The maximum bumper height permitted is twenty-seven inches [68.58
22 centimeters]. Measurement of bumper height is made from a level ground
23 surface to the highest point on the bottom of the bumper.

24 4. d. The vehicle may be modified in accordance with the following:

