

Introduced by

Senators Triplett, Schneider, Oehlke

Representatives Gruchalla, Kreun, Owens

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12-44.1 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to the assessment of booking fees by correctional facilities.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 12-44.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Assessment of booking fees.**

7 The administrator or the governing body responsible for the administration of a correctional  
8 facility may establish criteria for assessing a fee not to exceed twenty dollars to an individual  
9 booked for confinement to the facility. The booking fee is payable to the correctional facility to  
10 cover costs incurred by the entity in the booking of the offender. The fee is payable immediately  
11 from any money possessed by the individual being booked or from any money deposited into  
12 the offender's account while incarcerated at the facility. If an individual is not charged, is  
13 acquitted, or if the charges are dismissed and if the individual has paid a booking fee, upon  
14 written request, the correctional facility shall refund the booking fee to the individual.