

**SENATE BILL NO. 2225**

Introduced by

Senators Robinson, Armstrong, Wardner

Representatives D. Johnson, J. Kelsh

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 14-03-09 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the authority to solemnize marriages.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 14-03-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **14-03-09. Who may solemnize marriages.**

7 Marriages may be solemnized at any location within the state by all:

- 8 1. All judges of courts of record; ~~municipal~~
- 9 2. Municipal judges; ~~recorders~~
- 10 3. Recorders, unless the board of county commissioners designates a different official;  
11 ~~ordained~~
- 12 4. Ordained ministers of the gospel; ~~priests~~
- 13 5. Priests; ~~clergy~~
- 14 6. Clergy licensed by recognized denominations pursuant to chapter 10-33; and ~~by~~
- 15 7. By any person authorized by the rituals and practices of any religious persuasion.