Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019

HOUSE BILL NO. 1381
(Representatives Simons, Becker, Ertelt, Johnston, Jones, Kasper, B. Koppelman, K. Koppelman, McWilliams, D. Ruby, M. Ruby)
(Senator O. Larsen)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 62.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a restriction on firearm buyback programs; and to provide a penalty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 62.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Firearm buyback program - Prohibited.

1. As used in this section, "firearm buyback program" means a program to purchase privately owned firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition from private individuals or organizations for the purpose of providing cash, gifts, or vouchers; or reducing the number of firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition owned by civilians; or permitting a civilian to sell a firearm to the government without fear of prosecution. The term does not include the purchase of firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition from a licensed firearms dealer, or a program to purchase firearms, firearm parts, or ammunition for law enforcement purposes.

2. A state agency, political subdivision, or any law enforcement agency of this state may not conduct a firearm buyback program or participate in the implementation, administration, or operation of a firearm buyback program.

3. A state agency, political subdivision, or any law enforcement agency of this state may not expend any taxpayer dollars for the purpose of implementing, administering, or otherwise operating a firearm buyback program.

4. A violation of this section is a class A misdemeanor.

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Speaker of the House	President of the Senate
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Chief Clerk of the House	Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1381.

House Vote:	Yeas 66	Nays 26	Absent 2
Senate Vote:	Yeas 33	Nays 12	Absent 2

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____M. on _____, 2019.

Approved at _____M. on _____, 2019.

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Governor

Filed in this office this _____day of _____, 2019,

at _____ o'clock _____M.

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Secretary of State