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Sixty-eighth
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of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1333

Introduced by

Representatives Prichard, Frelich, Klemin, Koppelman, Marschall, Motschenbacher, D. Ruby, Tveit, VanWinkle

Senator Estenson

A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-27.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to restrictions on adult-oriented performances; to amend and reenact section 12.1-27.1-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state pre-emption of local laws regulating obscenity; and to provide a penalty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 12.1-27.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Restrictions on adult-oriented performances - Penalty.

1. As used in this section, "adult cabaret performance" means a performance in a location other than an adult cabaret which features topless dancers, go-go dancers, exotic dancers, strippers, male or female impersonators who provide entertainment that appeals to a prurient interest, or similar entertainers, regardless of whether or not performed for consideration.
2. A person is guilty of a class A misdemeanor for a first offense and a class C felony for a second or subsequent offense if the person engages in an adult cabaret performance:
   a. On public property; or
   b. In a location where the adult cabaret performance is within the line of vision of an individual under the age of eighteen.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 12.1-27.1-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

12.1-27.1-12. State pre-emption of local laws regulating obscenity.

This chapter ~~shall be~~is applicable ~~and uniform~~ throughout the state, and ~~no~~a political subdivision ~~shall~~may not enact new, or enforce existing, ordinances or resolutions regulating or prohibiting the dissemination of obscene materials, or controlling obscene or adult-oriented performances, except ordinances authorized by section 5-02-09, section 58-03-11, chapter 11-33, or chapter 40-47.