Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **HOUSE BILL NO. 1194**

Introduced by

Representatives Vetter, Christianson, Murphy, Dockter, Hauck, D. Johnston, Koppelman, Jonas, Motschenbacher

Senators Paulson, Luick

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-11-03 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to false information or false reports to law enforcement; and to provide a penalty.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-11-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 12.1-11-03. False information or report to law enforcement officers or security officials.
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- 1. An individual is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if that personindividual:
- 10 <u>1. a.</u> Gives false information or a false report to a law enforcement officer which that

  11 <u>personindividual</u> knows to be false, and the information or report may interfere

  12 with an investigation or may materially mislead a law enforcement officer; or
  - 2. b. Falsely reports to a law enforcement officer or other security official the occurrence of a crime of violence or other incident calling for an emergency response when that personindividual knows that the incident did not occur. "Security official" means a public servant responsible for averting or dealing withhandling emergencies involving public safety.
  - 2. A law enforcement officer having knowledge of or reasonable cause to suspect an individual has provided false information or a false report to a law enforcement officer or security official shall report the information to the state's attorney of the county in

21 which the violation occurs.