

**Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2003**

SENATE BILL NO. 2038  
(Legislative Council)  
(Information Technology Committee)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the confidentiality of records containing computer passwords and security information; and to declare an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 44-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

**Computer passwords and security information - Confidential.** Security codes, passwords, combinations, or security-related plans used to protect electronic information or to prevent access to computers, computer systems, or computer or telecommunications networks of a public entity are confidential.

**SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Fifty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2038 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote:      Yeas        46            Nays        0            Absent      1

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote:      Yeas        91            Nays        0            Absent      3

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Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2003.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2003,

at \_\_\_ o'clock \_\_\_\_\_ M.

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Secretary of State