

**Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2009**

SENATE BILL NO. 2131
(Government and Veterans Affairs Committee)
(At the request of the Office of Management and Budget)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 54-44-04.6 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to service charges for recycling and disposal of surplus property; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 54-44-04.6 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

54-44-04.6. State surplus property - Department heads to inform director - Disposition of property - Proceeds - Exchange of property.

1. The person in charge of any department, agency, or institution of the state shall inform the director of the office of management and budget or the director's designee whenever that department, agency, or institution possesses property surplus to its needs, whether originally obtained with state or other funds.
2. Political subdivisions may provide their surplus property to the office of management and budget for disposition according to subsections 3, 4, and 5.
3. Surplus property must be transferred at fair market value to state agencies, political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations eligible to receive federal surplus property under the Federal Property Administrative Services Act of 1949, as amended. Eligible organizations must be notified of the availability of property on a regular basis.
4. If not disposed of under subsection 3, then by sale on sealed bids or at public auction to the highest and best bidder for property valued at more than three thousand dollars, with no money deposit required prior to sale, or by sealed bids, public auction, or negotiation at fair value for property valued at less than three thousand dollars. The office of management and budget may establish a program for the recycling and disposal of surplus property determined to be unsalable and may assess and collect service charges from the department, agency, institution, or political subdivision from which the property was received to cover direct and reasonable costs of this service.
5. All proceeds received from the transfer ~~or~~, sale, recycling, or disposal of surplus property must be deposited with the state treasurer for deposit in the surplus property operating fund. For each piece of property sold for less than three thousand dollars, all proceeds must be retained in the surplus property operating fund unless the office of management and budget determines the sale proceeds are subject to special requirements for distribution. For each piece of property sold for three thousand dollars or more, the office of management and budget shall transfer to the agency from which the property was received an amount equal to the proceeds of the sale less the administrative expenses of the sale. The agency shall deposit the proceeds into the fund from which the property was originally purchased. At the end of each biennium, the office of management and budget shall transfer all funds in the surplus property operating fund that exceed the amount needed for operating the surplus property function for one year to the general fund.

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2131 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0

President of the Senate

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 92 Nays 0 Absent 2

Speaker of the House

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2009.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2009.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2009,
at ____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State