

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

SENATE BILL NO. 2096
(Human Services Committee)
(At the request of the Department of Human Services)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 5-01-05.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to medical care of intoxicated persons.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 5-01-05.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5-01-05.1. Public intoxication - Assistance - Medical care. A peace officer has authority to take any apparently intoxicated person to the person's home, to a local hospital, to a detoxification center, or, whenever that person constitutes a danger to that person or others, to a jail for purposes of detoxification. A duly licensed physician of a local hospital or a licensed addiction counselor of a detoxification center has authority to hold that person for treatment up to seventy-two hours. That intoxicated person may not be held in jail because of intoxication more than twenty-four hours. An intoxicated person may not be placed in a jail unless a jailer is constantly present within hearing distance and medical services are provided when the need is indicated. Upon placing that person in jail, or if the person is admitted into a hospital, or detoxification center, or jail upon admission, the peace officer shall make a reasonable effort to notify the intoxicated person's family as soon as possible. Any additional costs incurred by the city ~~or~~, county, ambulance service, or medical service provider on account of an intoxicated person shall be recoverable from that person.

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. 2096.

Senate Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0

House Vote: Yeas 94 Nays 0 Absent 0

Secretary of the Senate

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