

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1194  
(Representatives Vetter, Christianson, Murphy, Dockter, Hauck, D. Johnston, Koppelman, Jonas,  
Motschenbacher)  
(Senators Paulson, Luick)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 12.1-11-03 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to false information or false reports to law enforcement; and to provide a penalty.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-11-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**12.1-11-03. False information or report to law enforcement officers or security officials.**

~~A person~~

1. An individual is guilty of a class A misdemeanor if that ~~person~~individual:
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  - a. Gives false information or a false report to a law enforcement officer which that ~~person~~individual knows to be false, and the information or report may interfere 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 ~~person~~individual knows ~~that~~ the incident did not occur. "Security official" means a public servant responsible for averting or ~~dealing with~~handling emergencies involving public safety.
2. An on duty law enforcement officer having probable cause to suspect an individual has vexatiously provided a false report regarding another individual to a law enforcement officer or security official shall report the information to the state's attorney of the county in which the violation occurs.

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Speaker of the House

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President of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1194.

House Vote:    Yeas 79            Nays 12            Absent 3

Senate Vote:    Yeas 47            Nays 0            Absent 0

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2025.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2025,

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

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Secretary of State