

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1613

Introduced by

Representatives Hendrix, Christianson, Koppelman, VanWinkle, Toman

Senators Castaneda, Magrum, Paulson

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 29-01 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to law enforcement use of a drone or robot.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 29-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Use of drones and robots.**

7 1. A law enforcement officer may not use a drone or robot to:

8 a. Issue or serve an arrest warrant or summons in lieu of a warrant upon complaint

9 under Rule 4 of the North Dakota Rules of Criminal Procedure;

10 b. Take an individual into custody in the manner authorized by law to answer for the
11 commission of an offense;

12 c. Conduct hostage negotiations;

13 d. Manage traffic;

14 e. Gather evidence of a crime without a warrant; or

15 f. Monitor public events without a warrant.

16 2. This section does not apply to the use of a drone or robot for search and rescue of a
17 missing individual, disposal of a bomb, or crime scene analysis.