

## UNLAWFUL OBLIGATIONS.

CHAPTER 206.

[H. B. 139.]

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AN ACT to Amend Section 7671 of the Revised Codes of 1899, Relating to Unlawful Obligations.

*Be it Enacted by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:*

§ 1. That section 7671 of the Revised Codes of the state of North Dakota be amended to read as follows:

§ 7671. OBLIGATION IN WRITING. SIGNED ACROSS FACE.] Every person who takes any obligation in writing for any lightning rod or any of its attachments, or for any patent right, or right claimed to be a patent right, or for which any stallion or jackass shall form the whole or any part of the consideration, shall before it is signed by the maker stamp or write in red ink across the face of such written obligation in plain, legible writing, or print, the words "given for a lightning rod," or "given for a patent right," or "given for a stallion," or "given for a jackass," as the case may require. Such obligation so stamped shall not be negotiable and shall be subject to defenses in the hands of every owner or holder thereof. Any person who shall violate the provisions of this section is guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof is punishable by a fine of not less than two hundred and fifty and not exceeding one thousand dollars, or by imprisonment in the county jail not more than one year, or by both such fine and imprisonment, and shall be liable in a civil action to the party injured for all damages sustained by him.

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