

JUDICIAL PROCEDURE, CRIMINAL

CHAPTER 331

HOUSE BILL NO. 1349
(Representatives Boucher, Kaldor, Wilkie)
(Senators Evanson, Jerome)

MINOR SEX ABUSE PROSECUTION LIMIT

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 29-04-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the limitation of time within which a prosecution for a sexual abuse crime involving a minor victim must be commenced.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 29-04-03.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

29-04-03.1. ~~Prosecution for sexual abuse of minors to be commenced within seven years.~~ A prosecution for violation of sections 12.1-20-03 through 12.1-20-08 or of section 12.1-20-11, where the victim was under eighteen years of age at the time the offense was committed must be commenced in the proper court within seven years after the commission of the offense or, if the victim failed to report the offense within this limitation period, within three years after the offense was reported to law enforcement authorities.

Approved April 20, 1993
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CHAPTER 332

SENATE BILL NO. 2284
(Senator Evanson)
(Representative Rydell)

FBI AGENT ARRESTS

AN ACT to authorize special agents of the federal bureau of investigation to make arrests.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. Federal bureau of investigation - Authority to make arrests.

1. "Special agent" means an employee of the federal bureau of investigation who is authorized to arrest, with or without a warrant, any individual for a violation of the United States Code and carry a firearm in the performance of the employee's duties as a federal law enforcement officer.
2. A special agent has the same authority and immunity as a peace officer in this state when making an arrest for a nonfederal crime if any of the following exist:
 - a. The special agent has reasonable grounds to believe that a felony offense was committed and the person arrested committed the offense.
 - b. The special agent is rendering assistance to a peace officer in an emergency or at the request of the peace officer.
 - c. The special agent is working as a part of a task force composed of North Dakota peace officers and federal law enforcement officers.

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CHAPTER 333

SENATE BILL NO. 2355
(Senator W. Stenehjem)
(Representative Kretschmar)

JUROR QUALIFICATIONS

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 29-17-34 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to qualifications of jurors.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 29-17-34 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

29-17-34. General causes of challenge specified. General causes of challenges are:

1. ~~A conviction for felony;~~
- 2- A want of any of the qualifications prescribed by law to render a person a competent juror, including a want of knowledge of the English language as used in the courts; and
- 3- 2. Unsoundness of mind or such defect in the faculties of the mind or organs of the body as renders ~~him~~ the juror incapable of performing the duties of a juror.

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