

**Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the
Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Tuesday, the fifth day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and ninety-nine**

SENATE BILL NO. 2405
(Senators Grindberg, St. Aubyn)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 5-02-01.1 and 5-02-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the sale of alcoholic beverages; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 5-02-01.1 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5-02-01.1. Event permit authorized - Penalty.

1. The local governing body may by permit authorize a qualified alcoholic beverage licensee licensed under this chapter to engage in the sale of alcoholic beverages at events designated by the permit. For purposes of this section, "qualified alcoholic beverage licensee" means a licensee in a city that imposed a city lodging and restaurant tax on July 31, 1993, who paid such tax and who continues to pay any such tax imposed by the city or a licensee in a county or a licensee in a city that did not impose a city lodging and restaurant tax on July 31, 1993. A fee for the local permit may be set by ordinance or resolution at not more than twenty-five dollars. The permit may not be valid for a period greater than fourteen days, and may include Sundays. The local governing body may establish rules to regulate and restrict the operation of an event permit. Any person who dispenses, sells, or permits the consumption of alcoholic beverages in violation of this section or the conditions of a permit is guilty of a class B misdemeanor.
2. The local governing body may authorize persons under twenty-one years of age to remain in the area of the event, or a portion thereof, where beer, wine, or sparkling wine may be sold pursuant to the permit. However, this authorization must be subject to the following minimum conditions:
 - a. The area where persons under twenty-one years of age may remain must be specifically set forth in the permit;
 - b. Only employees of the qualified alcoholic beverage licensee who are at least twenty-one years of age may deliver and sell the beer, wine, or sparkling wine;
 - c. Subject to section 5-02-06, the area where persons under twenty-one years of age may remain may not be the qualified alcoholic beverage licensee's fixed or permanent licensed premises as shown on the state and local governing body's alcoholic beverage license issued pursuant to section 5-02-01; and
 - d. No person under twenty-one years of age within the area described in the permit may consume, possess, or receive alcoholic beverages.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 5-02-06 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5-02-06. Prohibitions as to persons under twenty-one years of age - Penalty - Exceptions. Except as permitted in this section, any licensee who dispenses alcoholic beverages to a person under twenty-one years of age, or who permits such a person to remain on the licensed premises while alcoholic beverages are being sold or displayed, is guilty of a class A misdemeanor, subject to sections 5-01-08, 5-01-08.1, and 5-01-08.2. Any person under twenty-one years of age may remain in a restaurant where alcoholic beverages are being sold if the restaurant is separated from the

room in which alcoholic beverages are opened or mixed and gross sales of food are at least equal to gross sales of alcoholic beverages which are consumed in the dining area, if the person is employed by the restaurant as a food waiter, food waitress, busboy, or busgirl under the direct supervision of a person twenty-one or more years of age and is not engaged in the sale, dispensing, delivery, or consumption of alcoholic beverages, or if the person is a law enforcement officer entering the premises in the performance of official duty. Any person under twenty-one years of age may remain in an area of a site where beer, wine, or sparkling wine is sold in accordance with the conditions of an event permit issued pursuant to section 5-02-01.1. Any person who is nineteen years of age or older but under twenty-one years of age may be employed by the restaurant to serve and collect money for alcoholic beverages, if the person is under the direct supervision of a person twenty-one or more years of age, but may not be engaged in mixing, dispensing, or consuming alcoholic beverages. Any establishment where alcoholic beverages are sold may employ persons from eighteen to twenty-one years of age to work in the capacity of musicians under the direct supervision of a person twenty-one or more years of age.

SECTION 3. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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 Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2405 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 49 Nays 0 Absent 0

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 80 Nays 17 Absent 1

Speaker of the House

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 1999.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 1999.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 1999,

at ___ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State