

**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**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1372  
(Representatives Pollert, Disrud, Haas, Koppang)  
(Senators Klein, Wanzek)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 45-11-04.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to fictitious name certificate renewals filed with the secretary of state.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 45-11-04.1 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**45-11-04.1. Renewal.** ~~Any~~ A fictitious name certificate filed under this chapter must be renewed every five years from the date of the initial filing, ~~except that those filings existing prior to July 1, 1985, must be required to file the statement of renewal by July 1, 1987, and then every five years thereafter.~~ The statement of renewal must be executed by the partnership on forms prescribed and furnished by the secretary of state which are sent to the address of the principal place of business at least sixty days before the deadline for filing. The statement must include the fictitious name of the partnership, the state or country of organization, the address of the principal place of business, a brief description of the nature of business in which the partnership is engaged in this state, the names and addresses of all general partners, and a statement that the partnership is still in existence and continues to transact business in this state. If the secretary of state finds that the statement conforms to the requirements of this section, and the filing fee of twenty-five dollars has been paid, the secretary of state shall file the statement. If the secretary of state finds that it does not so conform, the secretary of state shall promptly return the statement to the partnership for any necessary corrections, in which event, the fictitious name certificate is subject to cancellation if the statement is not returned corrected within thirty days after the statement was returned for corrections. If the statement of renewal reflects a change of membership or change of address of the principal place of business, the statement of renewal may not be filed until the fees required for these changes are paid as required by section 45-11-05.1 or 45-11-08.1. If ~~any~~ a partnership fails to file the statement of renewal when due, the fictitious name certificate must be canceled by the secretary of state and notice of ~~such~~ the cancellation must be mailed to the address of the principal place of business.

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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 Fifty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1372.

House Vote:      Yeas    95      Nays    0      Absent    3

Senate Vote:    Yeas    48      Nays    0      Absent    1

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 1999.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 1999.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 1999,

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

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Secretary of State