

**Fifty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2005**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1186  
(Representatives Mueller, DeKrey)  
(Senator Mathern)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 37-17.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to violation of a local burning ban; and to provide a penalty.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 37-17.1-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**37-17.1-10. Local disasters or emergencies - Penalty.**

1. Unless so declared in accordance with the provisions of subsection 4 of section 37-17.1-05, a local disaster or emergency may be declared only by the principal executive officer of the county or city. It may not be continued or renewed for a period in excess of seven days except by or with the consent of the governing board of the county or city. Any order or proclamation declaring a local disaster or emergency must be given prompt and general publicity and must be filed promptly with the county or city auditor.
2. The effect of a declaration of a local disaster or emergency is to activate the response and recovery aspects of any and all applicable local disaster or emergency operational plans and to authorize the furnishing of aid and assistance thereunder.
3. An order or proclamation issued under this section which includes a ban on open burning may provide for a penalty for a violation of the ban through a citation, a criminal complaint, or an information through the district court in the county in which the offense occurred. An individual who willfully violates a burning ban established by a local order or proclamation under this section is guilty of an infraction.

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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-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1186.

House Vote:      Yeas    88      Nays    1      Absent    5

Senate Vote:    Yeas    39      Nays    6      Absent    2

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Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2005.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2005,

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

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Secretary of State