

SENATE BILL NO. 2271

Introduced by

Senators Krauter, Heitkamp, Lyson

Representatives Kerzman, Nelson, Porter

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 20.1-04-15 and 20.1-08-04.9 of the North
2 Dakota Century Code, relating to the opening date of pheasant season for youth.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-04-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **20.1-04-15. Pheasant season - Opening.** The open or lawful season on pheasant
7 and the open or lawful season on duck may not commence on the same weekend. ~~The~~ Except
8 as provided in section 20.1-08-04.9 for the opening of pheasant season for youth, the open or
9 lawful season on pheasant may not open earlier than one-half hour before sunrise and the
10 season may not commence earlier than the first Saturday of October of any given year.

11 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-08-04.9 of the North Dakota Century Code
12 is amended and reenacted as follows:

13 **20.1-08-04.9. Small game proclamation - Pheasants.** The governor, in the
14 governor's proclamation, shall prohibit a nonresident from hunting for the first seven days of the
15 pheasant season on land owned or private land enrolled by the department for the purposes of
16 hunting or on land for which the department pays in lieu of tax payments. The governor, in the
17 governor's proclamation, shall provide that the open or lawful season on pheasant is open not
18 earlier than one-half hour before sunrise on the Friday before the opening of the regular
19 pheasant season for youth ages twelve through sixteen who are hunting with an adult. To be
20 eligible to hunt pheasant under this provision, a youth must possess a certificate of completion
21 for a certified hunter education course. The youth may only hunt under the supervision of an
22 adult who is licensed to hunt small game in this state. An adult accompanying a youth under
23 this provision may not carry a firearm in the field on the Friday before the opening of the regular
24 pheasant season.