Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Wednesday, January 3, 2007

SENATE BILL NO. 2285 (Senator Krauter) (Representatives Froelich, Kerzman, Mueller)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 35-30-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to notification of debtor of agricultural processor's lien.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 35-30-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

35-30-02. Procedure to obtain lien.

- 1. To obtain an agricultural processor's lien, the person entitled to the lien, within ninety days after the processing is completed, shall file a verified statement in the office of the recorder in any county in this state or in the office of the secretary of state. The statement must contain the following information:
- 4. a. The name and address of the person for whom the processing was done.
- 2. b. The name and address of the processor.
- 3. <u>c.</u> A description of the crops or agricultural products and their amount, if known, subject to the lien together with a reasonable description, including the county as to the location where the crops or agricultural products were grown and the year the crop is to be harvested or was harvested.
- 4. <u>d.</u> The price agreed upon for processing, or if no price was agreed upon, the reasonable value of the processing.
- 5. <u>e.</u> The social security number or, in the case of a debtor doing business other than as an individual, the internal revenue service taxpayer identification number of the person for whom the processing was done.
- 6. <u>f.</u> A description of the processing services and the first date the services were furnished.
- The secretary of state and the office of the recorder in any county in this state with which a verified statement under subsection 1 is submitted for filing shall reject the statement unless proof of mailing of notification of the lien to the debtor's last-known address by registered or certified mail with return receipt requested is filed with the statement.
- 3. The secretary of state shall prescribe one form that can be used to obtain a lien under this section or gain protection under the central notice system, or both. Before a processor's lien is filed, a billing statement for the services performed must include notice to the agricultural producer that if the amount due to the agricultural processor is not satisfied a lien may be filed.

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