## Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2009

HOUSE BILL NO. 1112
(Agriculture Committee)
(At the request of the Agriculture Commissioner)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 36-24-26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to penalties for violating meat inspection laws; and to provide a penalty.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 36-24-26 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**36-24-26.** General penalty Penalties. Violation of this chapter or a rule adopted under this chapter is a class A misdemeanor. The commissioner is not required to report for prosecution or for the institution of injunctive proceedings a minor violation of this chapter if the commissioner believes that the public interest will be adequately served by a suitable written warning.

- 1. A person who violates a provision of this chapter is guilty of a class A misdemeanor.
- 2. A person willfully violating this chapter or a rule adopted under this chapter is subject to a civil penalty not to exceed two hundred fifty dollars for each violation. The civil penalty may be imposed by a court or by the agriculture commissioner in an administrative proceeding.
- 3. Imposing a penalty allowed in subsection 1 or 2 does not preclude the commissioner from seeking to impose other sanctions or from seeking other remedies for violation of this chapter or rules adopted under this chapter.

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