

Sixty-fifth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1304

Introduced by

Representatives Carlson, Headland, K. Koppelman, Porter

Senators Armstrong, Casper

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 12.1-31 of the North Dakota  
2 Century Code, relating to prohibiting the wearing of masks, hoods, and face coverings during  
3 the commission of a criminal offense; to provide a penalty; and to declare an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 12.1-31 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Wearing of masks during commission of criminal offense prohibited.**

8 1. An individual may not wear a mask, hood, or other device that covers, hides, or  
9 conceals any portion of that individual's face for the purpose of:

10 a. Evading or escaping discovery, recognition, or identification during the  
11 commission of a criminal offense; or

12 b. Concealment, flight, or escape when the individual has been charged with,  
13 arrested for, or convicted of a criminal offense.

14 2. A violation of this section is a class A misdemeanor.

15 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.