

**Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019**

SENATE BILL NO. 2209  
(Senators Klein, Heckaman, Myrdal)  
(Representatives Damschen, Devlin, Holman)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 44-04-24 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to protection for records related to critical infrastructure and security planning, mitigation, or threats.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 44-04-24 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**44-04-24. Security system plan - Disaster and cybersecurity information - Exemption.**

1. A security system plan kept by a public entity ~~is, and records regarding disaster mitigation, preparation, response, vulnerability, or recovery, or for cybersecurity planning, mitigation, or threat, are~~ exempt from the provisions of section 44-04-18 and section 6 of article XI of the Constitution of North Dakota.
2. As used in this section:
  - a. "Critical infrastructure" means public buildings, systems, including telecommunications centers and computers, power generation plants, dams, bridges, and similar key resources, ~~and systems related to utility services, fuel supply, energy, hazardous liquid, natural gas, or coal,~~ whether physical or virtual, so vital to the state that the incapacity or destruction of these systems would have a debilitating impact on security, state economic security, state public health or safety, or any combination of those matters.
  - b. "Security system plan" includes ~~all records;~~
    - (1) ~~Records,~~ information, photographs, audio and visual presentations, schematic diagrams, surveys, recommendations, communications, or consultations ~~or portions of any such plan~~ relating directly to the physical or electronic security of a public facility, or any critical infrastructure, whether owned by or leased to the state or any of its political subdivisions, or any privately owned or leased critical infrastructure if the plan or a portion of the plan is in the possession of a public entity; ~~threat~~
    - (2) ~~Information relating to cybersecurity defenses, or threats, attacks, attempted attacks, and vulnerabilities of cyber system operations relating directly to the physical or electronic security of a public facility, or any critical infrastructure, whether owned by or leased to the state or any of its political subdivisions, or any privately owned or leased critical infrastructure if the information is in the possession of a public entity;~~
    - (3) ~~Threat assessments; vulnerability~~
    - (4) ~~Vulnerability~~ and capability assessments conducted by a public entity, or any private entity; ~~threat~~
    - (5) ~~Threat~~ response plans; and ~~emergency~~
    - (6) ~~Emergency~~ evacuation plans.

3. This exemption applies to security system plans received by a public entity before, on, or after March 20, 2003.
4. Nothing in this section may be construed to limit disclosure required for necessary construction, renovation, or remodeling work on a public building. Disclosure under this subsection does not constitute public disclosure.
5. Records deemed exempt under this section and disclosed to another entity continue to be exempt in the possession of the receiving entity.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2209.

Senate Vote:    Yeas 47            Nays 0            Absent 0

House Vote:    Yeas 82            Nays 4            Absent 8

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2019.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2019,

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

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Secretary of State