

HOUSE BILL NO. 1081

Introduced by

Representative Zubke

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-02-15.1 of the North Dakota Century
2 Code, relating to authority of the game and fish department employees to enforce laws.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-02-15.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **20.1-02-15.1. Additional powers of director, deputy director, chief game wardens, or**
7 **district game wardens.**

8 1. The director, deputy director, chief game wardens, or district game wardens have the
9 power of a peace officer in the following circumstances:

10 4. a. To enforce state laws and rules on any game refuge, game management area, or
11 other land or water owned, leased, or managed by the department ~~and~~, on
12 sovereign lands as defined by section 61-33-01, and on state-owned lands
13 managed by the board of university and school lands as defined in sections
14 15-06-01 and 15-07-01.

15 2. b. When responding to requests from other law enforcement agencies or officers for
16 aid and assistance. For the purposes of this ~~subsection~~subdivision, a request
17 from a law enforcement agency or officer means only a request for assistance as
18 to a particular and singular violation or suspicion of violation of law, and does not
19 constitute a continuous request for assistance outside the purview of
20 enforcement of the provisions of this title.

21 3. c. The powers and duties conferred are supplemental to other powers and duties
22 conferred upon the director, deputy director, chief game wardens, or district game
23 wardens and do not constitute an obligation beyond the regular course of duty of
24 those officers.

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- 1 4. d. To enforce chapter 20.1-15.
- 2 5. e. To enforce chapter 20.1-13.1.
- 3 6. f. To enforce chapter 39-24.1.
- 4 2. This section may not be construed to limit the powers or duties of any peace officer
- 5 within this state.