## Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2017

HOUSE BILL NO. 1304 (Representatives Carlson, Headland, K. Koppelman, Porter) (Senators Armstrong, Casper)

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

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

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

## Wearing of masks during commission of criminal offense prohibited.

- 1. An individual may not wear a mask, hood, or other device that covers, hides, or conceals any portion of that individual's face:
  - a. With the intent to intimidate, threaten, abuse, or harass any other individual;
  - <u>b.</u> For the purpose of evading or escaping discovery, recognition, or identification during the commission of a criminal offense; or
  - c. For the purpose of concealment, flight, or escape when the individual has been charged with, arrested for, or convicted of a criminal offense.
- 2. A violation of this section is a class A misdemeanor.

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

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		Chief Cle	rk of the House	Secretary of the Senate
Assembl	ly of North Da	kota and	is known on the rec	se of Representatives of the Sixty-fifth Legisla ords of that body as House Bill No. 1304 and the esentatives voted in favor of said law.
Vote:	Yeas 76		Nays 16	Absent 2
		Speaker	of the House	Chief Clerk of the House
This cert	tifies that two-	thirds of th	e members-elect of	he Senate voted in favor of said law.
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