

**BILL NO.**

Introduced by

Senator Lee

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12-44.1-24 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to correctional facility standards and the duties of the department of corrections and  
3 rehabilitation.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12-44.1-24 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **12-44.1-24. Correctional facility standards - Inspections.**

8 The department of corrections and rehabilitation shall:

- 9 1. Prescribe rules establishing minimum standards for the construction, operation, and  
10 maintenance of public or private correctional facilities.
- 11 2. Prescribe rules for the care and treatment of inmates.
- 12 3. Prescribe rules applicable to public and private correctional facilities for the adequate  
13 medical care of inmates, including the minimum standard acceptable for medical care  
14 and treatment, diagnosis, and assessment of a health condition.
- 15 4. Provide instruction to public and private correctional facilities on the correct  
16 assessment and billing of medical care costs for medical care and treatment provided  
17 to inmates.
- 18 5. Cause rules and regulations to be made available to inmates or be posted in at least  
19 one conspicuous place in each correctional facility.
- 20 ~~4.6.~~ Appoint a correctional facility inspector qualified by special experience, education, or  
21 training to inspect each correctional facility at least once each year to determine if the  
22 rules and regulations have been complied with. Inspection must include health and  
23 safety, fire and life safety, security, rehabilitation programs, recreation, treatment of  
24 persons confined, and personnel training.