

Introduced by

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 12.1-21-04 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the penalty for intentionally causing a catastrophe.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 12.1-21-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **12.1-21-04. Release of destructive forces.**

- 7 1. A person is guilty of a class ~~B~~ AA felony if ~~he~~ that person intentionally causes a
8 catastrophe ~~by any means and is guilty of a class C felony if he does so willfully.~~
- 9 ~~2. A person is guilty of a class C felony if he willfully creates a risk of catastrophe,~~
10 ~~although no fire, explosion, or other destruction results.~~
- 11 ~~3. A person who knowingly does an act which causes or which he knows is likely to~~
12 ~~cause a catastrophe, or assents to the doing of such act, is guilty of a class C~~
13 ~~felony if he willfully fails to take reasonable measures to prevent the catastrophe.~~
- 14 ~~4.~~ 2. Catastrophe means ~~serious bodily injury to ten or more people or substantial~~
15 ~~damage to ten or more separate habitations or structures or property loss in~~
16 ~~excess of five hundred thousand dollars~~ damage to one or more structures in
17 excess of five hundred thousand dollars, property loss in excess of five hundred
18 thousand dollars, or a substantial risk of serious bodily injury or death to five or
19 more individuals.