

**Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2009**

SENATE BILL NO. 2243  
(Senator Nodland)  
(Representatives Heller, Schatz)

AN ACT to authorize counties to accept certain payments by credit card, wire transfer, electronic transfer, or debit card.

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

**SECTION 1. Acceptance of payment by credit card or other payment method.** A county may accept payment by wire transfer, electronic transfer, automated clearinghouse, or a nationally recognized credit or debit card for any fee charged by, or compensation, tax, or assessment due to a county. A reasonable fee not exceeding the discount, exchange fee, or other fee incurred by the county may be added to the payment as a service charge for the acceptance of payment by a method authorized by this section. The county auditor or individual functioning as county auditor for a county may determine which nationally recognized cards or other payment methods will be accepted for payments made under this section and the amount of the applicable service charge. A person's liability for a payment is not discharged until the county has received payment or credit from the institution responsible for making the payment or credit.

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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-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2243.

Senate Vote:    Yeas    42        Nays    5        Absent    0

House Vote:    Yeas    84        Nays    1        Absent    9

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Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

Approved at \_\_\_\_\_ M. on \_\_\_\_\_, 2009.

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Governor

Filed in this office this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_, 2009,

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

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Secretary of State