

Sixty-sixth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1412

Introduced by

Representatives Tveit, Fegley, C. Johnson, Laning

Senators Myrdal, Osland, Unruh

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 20.1-01-08 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to hunting predators at night with artificial light, digital night vision, thermal vision, or  
3 infrared light.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-01-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **20.1-01-08. Hunting with artificial light prohibited - Exception.**

8 It is unlawful for an individual to pursue, shoot, kill, take or attempt to take any wildlife  
9 between sunset of one day and sunrise of the next, with the aid of a spotlight or any other  
10 artificial light. This section does not make it unlawful for an individual or the individual's agent to  
11 use a lantern, spotlight, digital night vision, thermal vision, infrared light, or other artificial light to  
12 assist the ~~person~~individual in pursuing and shooting on the ~~person's~~individual's premises any  
13 coyote, fox, skunk, mink, raccoon, beaver, weasel, ~~owl,~~ rabbit, or other predatory animal ~~or~~  
14 ~~bird,~~ attacking and attempting to destroy the person's poultry, livestock, or other property. It is  
15 permissible to use an artificial light, digital night vision, thermal vision, or infrared light with a  
16 power source of not more than six volts while hunting afoot for coyote, fox, raccoon, or beaver  
17 during the open season on the animal. AThe artificial light must produce a red, green, or amber  
18 ~~filter must be placed on any artificial light~~color when used in the hunting of coyote, fox, raccoon,  
19 or beaver, except when taking a raccoon treed or at bay.