

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2293**

Introduced by

Senators Oehlke, Kreun, J. Roers

Representatives Jones, Mock, Porter

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-02, a new section to chapter
2 20.1-03, and a new section to chapter 20.1-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the
3 creation of the aquatic nuisance species program fund and surcharges for fishing, combination,
4 and waterfowl licenses and requiring aquatic nuisance species fees for motorboats; to amend
5 and reenact sections 20.1-02-16.1 and 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating
6 to the investment of the state game and fish fund and aquatic nuisance species fees for
7 motorboats; to provide a penalty; to provide an appropriation; to provide for a transfer; to
8 provide an exemption; to provide an effective date; and to declare an emergency.

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

10 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 20.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
11 and enacted as follows:

12 **Aquatic nuisance species program fund.**

13 There is created in the state treasury a special fund known as the aquatic nuisance species
14 program fund. The fund consists of transfers and deposits made in accordance with section
15 20.1-02-16.1 and section 5 of this Act.

16 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-02-16.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is
17 amended and reenacted as follows:

18 **20.1-02-16.1. Game and fish fund - Use - Required balance - Budget section approval.**

19 All income of the state game and fish department deposited by the director with the state
20 treasurer must be credited to the state game and fish fund and the fund may be used only by
21 the department. All money derived from the investment of the fund, special accounts, or
22 portions of the fund ~~must~~may be credited to the game and fish department private land habitat
23 and access improvement fund. The department shall spend moneys in the game and fish fund

1 within the limits of legislative appropriations, only to the extent the balance of the fund is not
2 reduced below fifteen million dollars, unless otherwise authorized by the budget section.

3 **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 20.1-03-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is
4 amended and reenacted as follows:

5 **20.1-03-12. Schedule of fees for licenses and permits.**

6 The fees collected under this section for licenses and permits must be deposited with the
7 state treasurer and credited to the game and fish fund, except aquatic nuisance species fees
8 must be deposited with the state treasurer and credited to the aquatic nuisance species
9 program fund. Forty-five dollars of each nonresident big game hunting license fee must be used
10 for the private land initiative. The various license and permit fees are as follows:

- 11 1. For a resident, age sixteen and over, small game hunting license, ten dollars.
- 12 2. For a nonresident small game hunting license, one hundred dollars.
- 13 3. For a resident big game hunting license, thirty dollars, except the fee for a licensee
14 under age sixteen is ten dollars, except as provided in a gubernatorial proclamation
15 issued pursuant to section 20.1-08-04.1.
- 16 4. Except for a nonresident who participates on the same basis as a resident in a lottery
17 for deer licenses remaining after the second lottery for residents under subsection 4 of
18 section 20.1-03-11, for a nonresident big game hunting license, two hundred fifty
19 dollars, and for a nonresident bow license, two hundred fifty dollars, and a
20 nonrefundable five dollar application fee must accompany any lottery license fee under
21 this subsection, except as provided in a gubernatorial proclamation issued pursuant to
22 section 20.1-08-04.1. For a nonresident who participates on the same basis as a
23 resident in a lottery for deer licenses remaining after the second lottery for residents,
24 fifty dollars.
- 25 5. For a resident fur-bearer license, fifteen dollars.
- 26 6. For a resident fishing license, sixteen dollars, except that for a resident sixty-five years
27 or over, a resident totally or permanently disabled, or a resident disabled veteran who
28 has a fifty percent service-connected disability as determined by the department of
29 veterans' affairs or has an extra-schedular rating to include individual unemployability
30 that brings the veteran's total disability ratio to fifty percent, the license fee is five
31 dollars.

Sixty-sixth
Legislative Assembly

- 1 7. For a nonresident fishing license, forty-five dollars.
- 2 8. For a resident husband and wife fishing license, twenty-two dollars.
- 3 9. For a nonresident nongame hunting license, fifteen dollars.
- 4 10. For a resident wild turkey permit, fifteen dollars.
- 5 11. For an annual general game license, three dollars.
- 6 12. For a license to a nonresident buyer or shipper of green furs, or that person's agent,
7 the amount that the nonresident buyer or shipper of green furs would pay for a
8 nonresident buyer or shipper of green furs license or comparable license in that
9 person's state of residence, or fifty dollars, whichever is greater.
- 10 13. For a license to a resident buyer or shipper of green furs, eight dollars for each place
11 of business maintained by that person within this state.
- 12 14. For a license to a resident traveling agent, buyer, or shipper of green furs, twenty
13 dollars.
- 14 15. For an annual license to practice taxidermy, twenty-five dollars.
- 15 16. For a permit to ship, by a person having a resident hunting license, during the
16 respective open seasons, not to exceed in any one season twenty-five game birds, to
17 points within this state other than that person's home or to points outside this state,
18 three dollars.
- 19 17. For a permit to make collections of protected birds and animals for scientific purposes,
20 ten dollars.
- 21 18. For a motorboat certificate of number and license: Each motorboat under sixteen feet
22 [4.88 meters] in length, and all canoes, regardless of length, powered by a motor,
23 eighteen dollars. Each motorboat sixteen feet [4.88 meters] in length and over but
24 shorter than twenty feet [6.1 meters] in length, excluding canoes, thirty-six dollars.
25 Each motorboat twenty feet [6.1 meters] in length or over excluding canoes, forty-five
26 dollars.
- 27 19. For the taking of undesirable fish from the waters of this state pursuant to section
28 20.1-06-05, fifteen dollars for each hoop-net or trap, and fifteen dollars for each seine
29 of fifty feet [15.24 meters] or any fraction thereof.
- 30 20. For a resident paddlefish tag annual license, ten dollars per tag.

Sixty-sixth
Legislative Assembly

- 1 21. For a nonresident paddlefish tag annual license, twenty-five dollars and fifty cents per
- 2 tag.
- 3 22. For an annual resident license to sell minnows or other live bait at wholesale, fifty
- 4 dollars.
- 5 23. For an annual license to sell minnows or other live bait at retail, fifteen dollars, except
- 6 the fee is seventy-five dollars if white suckers are sold.
- 7 24. For an annual license to operate a private fish hatchery, seventy-five dollars.
- 8 25. For a resident commercial frog license, fifty dollars.
- 9 26. For a nonresident commercial frog license, two hundred dollars.
- 10 27. For a resident frog license, three dollars.
- 11 28. For a resident husband and wife frog license, five dollars.
- 12 29. For a shooting preserve operating permit, one hundred dollars, plus thirty cents per
- 13 acre [.40 hectare] for each acre [.40 hectare].
- 14 30. For a nonresident waterfowl hunting license, one hundred dollars.
- 15 31. For a nonresident husband and wife fishing license, sixty dollars.
- 16 32. For a nonresident short-term three-day fishing license, twenty-five dollars.
- 17 33. For a nonresident fur-bearer and nongame hunting license, forty dollars.
- 18 34. For a combination license, fifty dollars.
- 19 35. For a white-tailed deer license sold to certified guides or outfitters and provided by
- 20 them to nonresidents, two hundred fifty dollars.
- 21 36. For a resident swan license, ten dollars.
- 22 37. For a nonresident swan license, thirty dollars.
- 23 38. For a resident sandhill crane license, ten dollars.
- 24 39. For a nonresident sandhill crane license, thirty dollars.
- 25 40. For a resident commercial clam license, one hundred dollars.
- 26 41. For a nonresident commercial clam license, one thousand dollars.
- 27 42. For a commercial clam dealer's permit, two thousand dollars. In addition, the applicant
- 28 shall submit to the director a surety bond in the sum of two thousand dollars.
- 29 43. For an annual class B nonresident license to sell minnows or other live bait at
- 30 wholesale, two hundred fifty dollars.
- 31 44. For a bighorn sheep license issued to a nonresident, five hundred dollars.

- 1 45. For a nonresident reciprocal trapping license, three hundred fifty dollars.
- 2 46. For a nonresident spring white goose license, fifty dollars.
- 3 47. For a resident certificate fee, one dollar, and for a nonresident certificate fee, two
4 dollars. An agent may not charge a service fee for issuing a resident or nonresident
5 certificate fee.
- 6 48. For a nonresident short-term ten-day fishing license, thirty-five dollars.
- 7 49. For a nonresident wild turkey permit, eighty dollars.
- 8 50. For a statewide nonresident waterfowl hunting license, one hundred fifty dollars.
- 9 51. For an annual class A nonresident license to sell minnows or other live bait at
10 wholesale, five hundred dollars.
- 11 52. For a resident early Canada goose season license, five dollars.
- 12 53. For a nonresident early Canada goose season license, fifty dollars.
- 13 54. For a resident disabled veteran combined general game, habitat stamp, small game,
14 and fur-bearer license, three dollars.
- 15 55. For each motorboat licensed in this state, an aquatic nuisance species fee of fifteen
16 dollars valid concurrent with motorboat licensure.
- 17 56. For each motorboat operated on waters of this state and not licensed in this state, an
18 aquatic nuisance species fee of fifteen dollars for the calendar year in which it is paid.

19 **SECTION 4.** A new section to chapter 20.1-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
20 and enacted as follows:

21 **Fishing, combination, and waterfowl license surcharge.**

22 The director shall establish a surcharge of two dollars on each resident fishing license and
23 combination license except for the resident sixty-five years of age or older license, permanently
24 or totally disabled license, or a disabled veteran license as defined in subsection 6 of section
25 20.1-03-12. The director also shall establish a surcharge of three dollars on each nonresident
26 fishing license and each nonresident waterfowl hunting license issued under section
27 20.1-03-12. The collected surcharge fees must be deposited with the state treasurer and
28 credited to the aquatic nuisance species program fund.

29 **SECTION 5.** A new section to chapter 20.1-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
30 and enacted as follows:

1 **Operation of motorboat without payment of aquatic nuisance species fee prohibited -**

2 **Penalty.**

3 1. For each motorboat operated on waters of this state, an aquatic nuisance species fee
4 must be paid.

5 a. For each motorboat licensed in this state, the fee is due at the time of motorboat
6 licensure.

7 b. For each motorboat operated on waters of this state and exempt from licensure
8 in this state, the owner shall pay the fee and, after payment of the fee, must be
9 issued an aquatic nuisance species sticker from the department. The sticker must
10 be attached to the motorboat in a manner prescribed by the department so the
11 sticker is clearly visible.

12 2. Fees collected under this section must be deposited with the state treasurer and
13 credited to the aquatic nuisance species program fund.

14 3. A person that violates this section is guilty of a class 2 noncriminal offense.

15 **SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - 2017-19 BIENNIUM - TRANSFER - EXEMPTION.** There
16 is appropriated out of any moneys in the state game and fish fund in the state treasury, not
17 otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$467,100, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to
18 the game and fish department for the purpose of administering aquatic nuisance species
19 education, inspection, and monitoring programs, for the period beginning with the effective date
20 of this Act, and ending June 30, 2019. The funding provided in this section is not subject to
21 section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending
22 June 30, 2021. The game and fish department shall transfer moneys deposited in the aquatic
23 nuisance species program fund to the state game and fish fund to repay any moneys expended
24 from the state game and fish fund under this section.

25 **SECTION 7. APPROPRIATION - AQUATIC NUISANCE SPECIES PROGRAM FUND.**

26 There is appropriated out of any moneys in the aquatic nuisance species program fund in the
27 state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,500,000, or so much of the sum as
28 may be necessary, to the game and fish department for use in aquatic nuisance species
29 education, inspection, and monitoring programs under chapter 20.1-17, for the period beginning
30 with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2021. The game and fish department is
31 authorized two full-time equivalent positions for this purpose.

1 **SECTION 8. EFFECTIVE DATE.** Section 3 of this Act becomes effective on January 1,
2 2020.

3 **SECTION 9. EFFECTIVE DATE.** Section 4 of this Act becomes effective on April 1, 2020.

4 **SECTION 10. EMERGENCY.** Sections 6 and 7 of this Act are declared to be an emergency
5 measure.