

Sixty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2225

Introduced by

Senators Schaible, Bowman, Erbele

Representatives Boehning, Rohr, Schmidt

1 A BILL for and Act to to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-01 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the creation of a posted land register; to provide a report to the
3 legislative management; to provide an appropriation to the game and fish department for
4 defraying the cost of North Dakota information technology; and to provide an expiration date.

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

6 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 20.1-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
7 and enacted as follows:

8 **Posted land register - Pilot program - Report.**

- 9 1. Notwithstanding section 20.1-01-17, the department, in cooperation with the
10 information technology department, shall develop and implement an electronic register
11 and digital application of all posted land in up to five counties selected by the governor
12 by January 15, 2019. A county selected by the governor for participation in the
13 electronic register may not be included in the register unless the board of county
14 commissioners of the county approves of the county's participation within thirty days of
15 notification by the governor of the selection.
- 16 2. The electronic register must:
- 17 a. Designate land open for hunting;
- 18 b. Designate land closed to hunting, with no trespassing; and
- 19 c. Allow landowners to provide contact information to prospective hunters.
- 20 3. If land located in a selected county is not designated in the electronic register as open
21 for hunting, the land is considered closed to hunting without permission from the
22 landowner.
- 23 4. The department shall provide a report to the legislative management during the
24 2019-20 interim regarding the progress of the electronic register.

1 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated from special funds derived from the
2 heritage fund, the sum of \$250,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the game
3 and fish department for the purpose of defraying the cost of North Dakota information
4 technology necessary to create a posted land register pilot program, for the biennium beginning
5 July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.

6 **SECTION 3. EXPIRATION DATE.** This Act is effective through July 31, 2021, and after that
7 date is ineffective.