

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1172  
(Representatives Steiner, Cory, Fisher, Hauck, Hoverson, Longmuir, Tveit)  
(Senators Clemens, Dwyer, Luick, Vedaa)

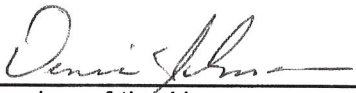
AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the pledge of allegiance.

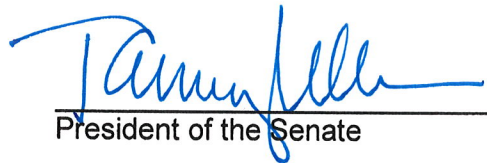
**BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

**SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 54-06 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

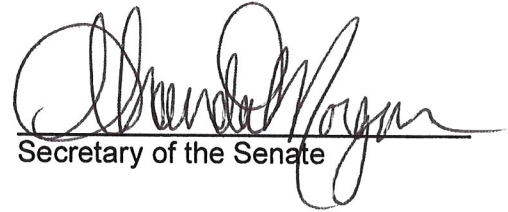
**Pledge of allegiance.**

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the governor or an executive branch officer or employee may not alter the language of the pledge of allegiance. The voluntary pledge is "I pledge allegiance to the flag, of the United States of America, and to the republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all."

  
Speaker of the House

  
President of the Senate

  
Chief Clerk of the House

  
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1172.

House Vote:    Yeas 87            Nays 4            Absent 3

Senate Vote:    Yeas 27            Nays 20           Absent 0

  
Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 3:00 PM. on April 7, 2023.

Approved at 1:52 PM. on April 11, 2023.

  
Governor

Filed in this office this 12<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2023,

at 12:03 o'clock P. M.

  
Secretary of State