

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1361

(Representatives Christensen, Bellew, Heilman, Hoverson, Kasper, Kempenich, Koppelman, Toman)  
(Senators Larsen, Magrum, Vedaa, Wobbema)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 8 of section 1-01-49 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of person; and to declare an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 8 of section 1-01-49 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8. "Person" means an individual, organization, government, political subdivision, or government agency or instrumentality. The term does not include environmental elements, artificial intelligence, an animal, or an inanimate object.

**SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

Dennis E Johnson  
Speaker of the House

Tammie Hill  
President of the Senate

Bull J. Reed  
Chief Clerk of the House

Mandell Morgan  
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. 1361 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote:        Yeas 85                      Nays 5                      Absent 4

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This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote:        Yeas 47                      Nays 0                      Absent 0

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President of the Senate

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Secretary of the Senate

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

Approved at 1:32 PM. on April 11, 2023.

Doug Burgin  
Governor

Filed in this office this 12th day of April, 2023,  
at 12:03 o'clock P. M.

Michael Howe  
Secretary of State