

**Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 8, 2013**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1260
(Representatives Karls, Guggisberg, K. Koppelman, Maragos)
(Senators Lyson, Sorvaag)

AN ACT to amend and reenact subsection 1 of section 62.1-02-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to jurisdiction for petitions to restore firearm rights.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 1 of section 62.1-02-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

1. An individual who is prohibited from possessing a firearm due to a conviction of a felony under subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 62.1-02-01 may petition the district court ~~in the district where the individual resides~~ for restoration of the individual's firearm rights. If the felony offense was committed in this state, the petition must be filed with the district court in the county where the offense occurred. If the offense was a felony of another state or the federal government, the petition must be filed with the district court in the county where the petitioner resides. A copy of the petition must be served on the state's attorney's office in the county where the petition is filed in accordance with Rule 5 of the North Dakota Rules of Civil Procedure. The state's attorney's office shall have twenty days to file a written response to the petition with the district court.

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-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1260.

House Vote: Yeas 87 Nays 0 Absent 7

Senate Vote: Yeas 42 Nays 3 Absent 2

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2013.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2013.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2013,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State