

**Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019**

SENATE BILL NO. 2342
(Senator Erbele)
(Representative Brandenburg)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 20.1-13 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regulation of boats to prevent excessive noise; and to provide a penalty.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 20.1-13 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Regulation of noise from boats - Penalty.

1. A boat operated on the waters of this state between the hours of twelve midnight and five a.m. may not produce a noise in excess of eighty-eight decibels for more than ten minutes.
2. For purposes of subsection 1, the decibel level of a boat must be measured from the shoreline closest to the location from which a complainant or other individual noticed the noise.
3. A boat operator who violates this section is guilty of a class 1 noncriminal offense.
4. A boat operator cited for a violation of this section may not operate the boat that produced the noise in violation of this section until a muffler is installed.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2342.

Senate Vote: Yeas 29 Nays 17 Absent 1

House Vote: Yeas 60 Nays 25 Absent 9

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2019.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2019.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2019,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State