

**SENATE BILL NO. 2198**

Introduced by

Senators Campbell, Armstrong, Larsen

Representatives Damschen, Kasper, Ruby

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 39-24-09.1 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the minimum age for snowmobile operators.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 39-24-09.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **39-24-09.1. Operation by individuals ~~at least twelve years of age~~- Minimum age.**

7 1. An individual ten or eleven years of age may not operate a snowmobile unless the  
8 individual is on private land or unless the individual is in the presence of a parent or  
9 guardian and the individual has completed a snowmobile safety training course as  
10 prescribed by the director of the parks and recreation department pursuant to  
11 chapter 28-32 and has received the appropriate snowmobile safety certificate issued  
12 by the director of the department of transportation.

13 2. An individual twelve years of age and over may not operate a snowmobile unless the  
14 individual is in possession of a valid driver's license, operates the snowmobile on  
15 private land, or unless the individual has completed a snowmobile safety training  
16 course as prescribed by the director of the parks and recreation department pursuant  
17 to chapter 28-32 and has received the appropriate snowmobile safety certificate  
18 issued by the director of the department of transportation.

19 3. The failure of an operator to exhibit a snowmobile safety certificate upon demand to  
20 any official authorized to enforce this chapter is presumptive evidence that the  
21 individual is not the holder of the certificate.

22 4. Fees collected from each individual receiving certification must be deposited into the  
23 snowmobile ~~trail tax~~ fund for purposes of establishing snowmobile safety programs.