

**Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly, State of North Dakota, begun in the
Capitol in the City of Bismarck, on Monday, the sixth day of January,
one thousand nine hundred and ninety-seven**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1009
(Appropriations Committee)
(At the request of the Governor)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the agriculture commissioner; to provide a statement of legislative intent; and to amend and reenact section 4-01-21 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the salary of the agriculture commissioner.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the commissioner of agriculture for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commissioner of agriculture for the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1999, as follows:

Salaries and wages	\$ 3,023,812
Operating expenses	1,097,886
Equipment	32,900
Grants	561,700
Board of animal health	454,199
Ag mediation	1,377,537
Ag in the classroom	25,000
Anhydrous ammonia storage	20,444
Waterbank program	214,000
Pride of Dakota	150,000
Animal damage control	779,694
Safe send	552,133
Noxious weeds	959,529
Total all funds	\$ 9,248,834
Less estimated income	4,658,594
Total general fund appropriation	\$ 4,590,240

SECTION 2. ESTIMATED INCOME - FIRE AND TORNADO FUND. The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$20,444, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, from the state fire and tornado fund for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the anhydrous ammonia storage program.

SECTION 3. ESTIMATED INCOME - ENVIRONMENT AND RANGELAND PROTECTION FUND. The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,491,902, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, from the environment and rangeland protection fund for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the pesticide regulation, pesticide disposal, pesticide registration, and noxious weeds programs, of which \$90,890 is for the pesticide regulation program, \$552,133 is for the pesticide disposal program, \$66,000 is for the pesticide registration program, and \$782,879 is for the noxious weeds program.

SECTION 4. TRANSFER. The office of management and budget shall transfer \$100,000 from the environment and rangeland protection fund to the minor use pesticide fund, for the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1999.

SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the legislative assembly that the board of animal health contract for veterinary services whenever appropriate and cost-effective for the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1999.

SECTION 6. AMENDMENT. Section 4-01-21 of the 1995 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

4-01-21. Salary of commissioner of agriculture. The annual salary of the commissioner of agriculture is ~~fifty-two~~ fifty-five thousand ~~seven~~ four hundred ~~eighty-seven~~ sixty-four dollars through June 30, ~~1996~~ 1998, and ~~fifty-three~~ fifty-seven thousand ~~eight~~ one hundred ~~forty-three~~ twenty dollars thereafter.

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 Fifty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1009.

House Vote: Yeas 93 Nays 0 Absent 4

Senate Vote: Yeas 48 Nays 0 Absent 1

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 1997.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 1997.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 1997,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State