

February 12, 1999

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1021

Page 1, line 3, after "centers" insert "; to provide for dairy diagnostic teams; to provide statements of legislative intent; and to amend and reenact sections 4-05.1-02, 4-05.1-04, 4-05.1-16, 4-05.1-17, 4-05.1-18, 4-05.1-19, 4-05.1-21, and 4-08-10 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the state board of agricultural research"

Page 1, line 14, replace "25,121,626" with "24,744,286"

Page 1, line 15, replace "3,564,436" with "3,546,836"

Page 1, line 16, replace "625,640" with "432,850"

Page 1, line 17, replace "560,000" with "580,000"

Page 1, line 18, replace "29,871,702" with "29,303,972"

Page 1, line 19, replace "16,772,588" with "16,596,765"

Page 1, line 20, replace "13,099,114" with "12,707,207"

Page 1, line 23, replace "887,945" with "878,518"

Page 2, line 2, replace "1,079,475" with "1,070,048"

Page 2, line 3, replace "411,441" with "407,957"

Page 2, line 4, replace "668,034" with "662,091"

Page 2, line 7, replace "2,876,922" with "2,850,752"

Page 2, line 11, replace "6,488,830" with "6,462,660"

Page 2, line 12, replace "6,001,444" with "5,980,240"

Page 2, line 13, replace "487,386" with "482,420"

Page 2, line 16, replace "38,630,612" with "38,080,539"

Page 2, line 17, replace "4,227,580" with "4,163,330"

Page 2, line 22, replace "47,349,738" with "46,735,415"

Page 2, line 23, replace "20,556,378" with "20,463,068"

Page 2, line 24, replace "26,793,360" with "26,272,347"

Page 2, line 27, replace "2,232,735" with "2,268,116"

Page 2, line 28, replace "1,363,529" with "1,297,963"

Page 2, line 29, replace "1,227,445" with "1,220,740"

Page 2, line 30, replace "1,141,330" with "1,075,049"

Page 2, line 31, replace "1,251,892" with "1,301,950"

Page 3, line 1, replace "1,130,090" with "1,123,230"

Page 3, line 2, replace "2,450,704" with "2,425,452"

Page 3, line 3, replace "10,797,725" with "10,712,500"

Page 3, line 4, replace "3,928,339" with "3,921,409"

Page 3, line 5, replace "6,869,386" with "6,791,091"

Page 3, line 8, replace "346,452" with "342,839"

Page 3, line 12, replace "1,205,952" with "1,202,339"

Page 3, line 13, replace "47,917,280" with "46,915,156"

Page 3, line 14, replace "48,876,142" with "48,571,778"

Page 3, line 15, replace "96,793,422" with "95,486,934"

Page 3, replace lines 16 through 19 with:

**"SECTION 2. ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION.** Any additional income including funds from the federal government and gifts and donations from private sources received by the North Dakota agricultural experiment station, northern crops institute, upper great plains transportation institute, and the North Dakota state university extension service, except as otherwise provided by law, is hereby appropriated for the purpose designated in the gift, grant, or donation for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.

**SECTION 3. UNEXPENDED GENERAL FUND - EXCESS INCOME.** Any unexpended general fund appropriation authority to and any excess income received by entities listed in section 1 of this Act are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from these appropriations or revenues are available during the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003, and may be expended, as directed by the state board of higher education, for capital repairs and improvements, equipment, and other one-time expenditures."

Page 4, after line 7, insert:

**"SECTION 8. Dairy diagnostic teams.** The North Dakota state university extension service shall appoint regional dairy diagnostic teams consisting of agricultural business management professionals, dairy extension specialists, and dairy industry partners such as nutrition specialists, reproductive specialists, and animal health specialists. At the request of a dairy producer, a dairy diagnostic team shall conduct a site visit, offer the dairy producer educational and technological assistance, and develop a strategic plan to enhance the producer's productivity and profitability.

**SECTION 9. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - FUNDING FOR DAIRY DIAGNOSTIC TEAMS.** It is the intent of the fifty-sixth legislative assembly that the North Dakota state

university extension service use up to the sum of \$100,000 of its 1999-2001 biennium appropriation to develop and operate the dairy diagnostic teams for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.

**SECTION 10. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-05.1-02 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-05.1-02. Agricultural experiment station.** The state board of agricultural research and education and the president of North Dakota state university shall control and administer the North Dakota agricultural experiment station subject to the supervision of the state board of higher education. Funds appropriated to the agricultural experiment station may not be commingled with funds appropriated to North Dakota state university. Appropriation requests to defray expenses of the agricultural experiment station must be separate from appropriation requests to defray expenses of North Dakota state university.

**SECTION 11. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-05.1-04 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-05.1-04. Reports.** Each center director shall submit an annual report to the station director as directed by the state board of agricultural research and education. Each report must set forth in detail the investigations and experiments made during the preceding year, recommendations for the welfare of the center, the financial condition of the center, how all moneys have been expended, and the results of experiments. The station director shall submit these reports, with a report of the North Dakota state university main research center, to the state board of agricultural research and education and the state board of higher education on or before the first day of September of each year. If the state board of higher education submits a biennial report to the governor and the secretary of state in accordance with section 54-06-04, the report must include a composite of the reports from the main research center and each research extension center.

**SECTION 12. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-05.1-16 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-05.1-16. State board of agricultural research and education - Membership - Terms.**

1. The state board of agricultural research and education consists of:
  - a. The president of North Dakota state university;
  - b. The vice president of agricultural affairs at North Dakota state university;
  - c. The administrator of the agricultural experiment station;
  - d. The five persons appointed to the agricultural consultation board by the ag coalition and serving in that capacity on July 1, 1997;
  - e. The five persons appointed to the agricultural consultation board by the extension service's multicounty program units and serving in that capacity on July 1, 1997;
  - f. The two persons appointed to the agricultural consultation board by the president of North Dakota state university as representatives of the state's research extension centers and serving in that capacity on July 1, 1997;

- g. The commissioner of agriculture, who serves in an ex officio nonvoting capacity; and
  - h. The director of the North Dakota state university extension service; ~~who serves in an ex officio capacity.~~
2.
    - a. The initial five members appointed by the ag coalition shall select their terms by lot so that one member serves for one year, one member serves for two years, one member serves for three years, one member serves for four years, and one member serves for five years.
    - b. The initial five members appointed by the extension service's multicounty program units shall select their terms by lot so that one member serves for one year, one member serves for two years, one member serves for three years, one member serves for four years, and one member serves for five years.
    - c. The two persons appointed as representatives of the state's research extension centers shall serve only through June 30, 1998.
  3. At the completion of each initial term, the term of office for each member is five years, beginning on July first. No person may be appointed to a second five-year term.
  4.
    - a. At least ninety days before the conclusion of the initial term of each member appointed by the ag coalition, the ag coalition shall provide to the state board of higher education a list of two or more names from which the state board of higher education shall appoint a successor. Future appointments to these five positions must be made in the same manner. The state board of higher education shall ensure that four out of the five seats are held by agricultural producers.
    - b. At least ninety days before the conclusion of the initial term of each member appointed by the extension service's multicounty program units, the units through their advisory groups shall provide to the state board of higher education a list of two or more names from which the state board of higher education shall appoint a successor. Future appointments to these five positions must be made in the same manner. The state board of higher education shall ensure that four out of the five seats are held by agricultural producers.

**SECTION 13. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-05.1-17 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-05.1-17. Compensation of board members - Expenses.** Each appointed member of the state board of agricultural research and education is entitled to receive sixty-two dollars and fifty cents per day as compensation for the time actually spent devoted to the duties of office and is entitled to receive necessary expenses in the same manner and amounts as state officials for attending meetings and performing other functions of office.

**SECTION 14. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-05.1-18 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-05.1-18. State board of agricultural research and education - Chairman - Meetings.** The state board of agricultural research and education annually shall elect one of its members to serve as chairman. The board shall meet at the times and locations designated by the chairman in consultation with the vice president of agricultural affairs at North Dakota state university.

**SECTION 15. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-05.1-19 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-05.1-19. State board of agricultural research and education - Duties.**

Within the policies of the state board of higher education, the state board of agricultural research and education is responsible for the budgeting, supervision, and policymaking responsibilities associated with the supervision of the agricultural experiment station and the North Dakota state university extension services. The agricultural research and education board shall:

1. Determine the causes of any adverse economic impacts on crops and livestock produced in this state;
2. Develop ongoing strategies for the provision of research solutions to negate adverse economic impacts on crops and livestock produced in this state;
3. Make available financial resources, including grants and salaries, and make available equipment and facilities to implement the strategies developed under subsection 2, subject to approval by the state board of higher education;
4. Develop an annual budget for the operation of the agricultural experiment station and the North Dakota state university extension service;
5. Develop a biennial budget request and submit that request to the state board of higher education on or before March first of each even-numbered year;
6. Maximize the use of existing financial resources, equipment, and facilities to generate the greatest economic benefit from research and extension efforts and to promote efficiency;
7. Annually evaluate the results of research and extension activities and expenditures and report the findings to the legislative council and the state board of higher education;
8. Advise the administration of North Dakota state university regarding the recruitment and selection of the vice president of agricultural affairs, the extension service director, and the station director; and
9. ~~Advise the director of the extension service regarding~~ Develop ongoing strategies for the dissemination of research information and the best practices for management of the extension service.

**SECTION 16. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-05.1-21 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-05.1-21. State board of agricultural research and education - Apportionment of research funds.**

1. The state board of agricultural research and education annually shall apportion the proceeds of the agricultural research fund as follows:
  - a. Seventy percent to research activities affecting North Dakota agricultural commodities that account for at least two percent of the gross sales of all agricultural commodities grown or produced in the state. The percentage of the dollars available for each agricultural commodity under this section may not exceed the percentage that the gross sales of the agricultural commodity bear to the North Dakota

gross sales of all agricultural commodities grown or produced during the previous year, as determined by the agricultural statistics service;

- b. Eighteen percent to research activities affecting North Dakota animal agriculture; and
  - c. Twelve percent to research activities affecting new and emerging crops in North Dakota.
2. The state board of agricultural research and education shall solicit proposals for research from the public and private sectors and shall appoint committees to review the proposals and award the agricultural research grants on a competitive basis. Each committee must consist of a majority of agricultural producers selected in consultation with the agricultural commodity groups representing commodities that are the subjects of the proposed research and may include researchers and other individuals knowledgeable about the proposed area of research. Whenever possible, the committees shall require that a grant recipient commit matching funds.
  3. The state board of agricultural research and education shall develop policies regarding the award of research grants, including requirements for matching funds, cooperation with other in-state and out-of-state researchers, and coordination with other in-state and out-of-state proposed or ongoing research projects.

**SECTION 17. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-08-10 of the 1997 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4-08-10. Extension agent to submit monthly account of expenditures.** The extension agent shall submit monthly an accurate itemized account of all expenditures incurred by the agent in the regular conduct of duties to the North Dakota state university extension service for examination and audit. When charges are made by an extension agent for money expended in the performance of official duties, all items of one dollar or more expended and charged for must be covered by a subvoucher or receipt that must be signed by the person to whom the money was paid. The subvoucher or receipt must show at what place, on what date, and for what the money expended was paid. The extension agent shall forward the subvouchers or receipts with the bill, claim, account, or demand against the county. When charges are made for transportation expenses, they may not exceed the amounts provided by section 11-10-15, and must be in itemized form showing the mileage traveled, the days when and how traveled, and the purpose thereof, verified by affidavit. The account must be transmitted and recommended for payment by the North Dakota state university extension service which shall audit the same and which may approve or disallow any expense item therein. The state board of agricultural research and education and the president of North Dakota state university shall control and administer the North Dakota state university extension service ~~is under the control, and~~ subject to the supervision; of the state board of higher education. Funds appropriated to the North Dakota state university extension service may not be commingled with funds appropriated to North Dakota state university. An appropriation request to defray expenses of the North Dakota state university extension service must be separate from an appropriation request to defray expenses of North Dakota state university."

Renumber accordingly

#### **STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

DEPARTMENT 627 - UPPER GREAT PLAINS TRANSPORTATION INSTITUTE

HOUSE - This amendment makes the following changes:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$2,876,922	(\$26,170)	\$2,850,752
Operating expenses	2,211,908		2,211,908
Equipment	250,000		250,000
Grants	<u>1,150,000</u>		<u>1,150,000</u>
Total all funds	\$6,488,830	(\$26,170)	\$6,462,660
Less special funds	<u>6,001,444</u>	<u>(21,204)</u>	<u>5,980,240</u>
General fund	\$487,386	(\$4,966)	\$482,420
FTE	23.00	0.00	23.00

Detail of House changes to the executive budget includes:

	REDUCE COMPENSATION PACKAGE TO 2/2	ADJUST HEALTH INSURANCE COST	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$32,727)	\$6,557	(\$26,170)
Operating expenses			
Equipment			
Grants			
Total all funds	(\$32,727)	\$6,557	(\$26,170)
Less special funds	<u>(26,911)</u>	<u>5,707</u>	<u>(21,204)</u>
General fund	(\$5,816)	\$850	(\$4,966)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

House changes narrative:

The bill is changed to allow the Upper Great Plains Transportation Institute to retain, beyond the close of the 1999-2001 biennium, any unspent general fund moneys appropriated to or excess income received by the agency during the 1999-2001 biennium. These funds may be used for capital repairs and improvements, equipment, and other one-time expenditures.

#### DEPARTMENT 630 - NDSU EXTENSION SERVICE

HOUSE - This amendment makes the following changes:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$25,121,626	(\$377,340)	\$24,744,286
Operating expenses	3,564,436	(17,600)	3,546,836
Equipment	625,640	(192,790)	432,850
Grants	<u>560,000</u>	<u>20,000</u>	<u>580,000</u>
Total all funds	\$29,871,702	(\$567,730)	\$29,303,972
Less special funds	<u>16,772,588</u>	<u>(175,823)</u>	<u>16,596,765</u>
General fund	\$13,099,114	(\$391,907)	\$12,707,207
FTE	267.50	(0.70)	266.80

Detail of House changes to the executive budget includes:

	REDUCE COMPENSATION PACKAGE TO 2/2	ADJUST HEALTH INSURANCE COST	ADD SHEEP EDUCATION POSITION	REMOVE MIDSIZED FARMS INITIATIVE <sup>1</sup>	REMOVE FUNDING FOR VALUE-ADDED CENTER <sup>2</sup>	REMOVE FACULTY POSITION
Salaries and wages	(\$329,995)	\$80,546	\$131,646	(\$70,309)	(\$31,636)	(\$157,592)
Operating expenses				(10,100)	(7,500)	
Equipment				(5,290)	(2,500)	(10,000)
Grants						
Total all funds	(\$329,995)	\$80,546	\$131,646	(\$85,699)	(\$41,636)	(\$167,592)
Less special funds	<u>(118,986)</u>	<u>33,292</u>				<u>(90,129)</u>
General fund	(\$211,009)	\$47,254	\$131,646	(\$85,699)	(\$41,636)	(\$77,463)
FTE	0.00	0.00	1.00	(0.50)	(0.20)	(1.00)

	ADD FUNDING FOR SOIL CONSERVATION TECHNICIAN GRANTS	REDUCE EQUIPMENT	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages			(\$377,340)
Operating expenses			(17,600)
Equipment		(\$175,000)	(192,790)
Grants	<u>\$20,000</u> <sup>3</sup>		<u>20,000</u>
Total all funds	\$20,000	(\$175,000)	(\$567,730)
Less special funds			<u>(175,823)</u>
General fund	\$20,000	(\$175,000)	(\$391,907)
FTE	0.00	0.00	(0.70)

House changes narrative:

- 1 Removes funding for the mid-sized farms initiative included in the executive budget.
- 2 Removes funding for the value-added center which was proposed in the executive budget to be established at North Dakota State University.
- 3 Adds funding for soil conservation technician grants to provide the same funding level as the 1997-99 biennium.

The bill is changed to allow the NDSU Extension Service to retain, beyond the close of the 1999-2001 biennium, any unspent general fund moneys appropriated to or excess income received by the agency during the 1999-2001 biennium. These funds may be used for capital repairs and improvements, equipment, and other one-time expenditures.

Sections are added changing the name of the State Board of Agricultural Research to the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education, providing that the board control and administer the NDSU Extension Service in addition to the Agricultural Experiment Station, and providing that the extension service director is a voting member of the board and that the Agriculture Commissioner is a nonvoting member of the board.

Sections are added providing that the NDSU Extension Service appoint regional dairy diagnostic teams to assist dairy producers in the state. The NDSU Extension Service is to use up to \$100,000 of its 1999-2001 appropriation to develop and operate this program for the 1999-2001 biennium.

#### DEPARTMENT 638 - NORTHERN CROPS INSTITUTE

HOUSE - This amendment makes the following changes:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$887,945	(\$9,427)	\$878,518
Operating expenses	118,650		118,650
Equipment	<u>72,880</u>		<u>72,880</u>
Total all funds	\$1,079,475	(\$9,427)	\$1,070,048
Less special funds	<u>411,441</u>	<u>(3,484)</u>	<u>407,957</u>
General fund	\$668,034	(\$5,943)	\$662,091
FTE	8.00	0.00	8.00

Detail of House changes to the executive budget includes:

	REDUCE COMPENSATION PACKAGE TO 2/2	ADJUST HEALTH INSURANCE COST	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$11,707)	\$2,280	(\$9,427)
Operating expenses			
Equipment			
Total all funds	(\$11,707)	\$2,280	(\$9,427)
Less special funds	<u>(4,554)</u>	<u>1,070</u>	<u>(3,484)</u>
General fund	(\$7,153)	\$1,210	(\$5,943)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

House changes narrative:

The bill is changed to allow the Northern Crops Institute to retain, beyond the close of the 1999-2001 biennium, any unspent general fund moneys appropriated to or excess income received by the agency during the 1999-2001 biennium. These funds may be used for capital repairs and improvements, equipment, and other one-time expenditures.

#### DEPARTMENT 640 - AGRICULTURAL EXPERIMENT STATION

HOUSE - This amendment makes the following all funds changes:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Main Research Center	\$47,349,738	(\$614,323)	\$46,735,415
Dickinson Research Extension Center	2,232,735	35,381	2,268,116
Central Grasslands Research Extension Center	1,363,529	(65,566)	1,297,963
Hettinger Research Extension Center	1,227,445	(6,705)	1,220,740
Langdon Research Extension Center	1,141,330	(66,281)	1,075,049
North Central Research Extension Center	1,251,892	50,058	1,301,950
Williston Research Extension Center	1,130,090	(6,860)	1,123,230
Carrington Research Extension Center	2,450,704	(25,252)	2,425,452
Agronomy Seed Farm	<u>1,205,952</u>	<u>(3,613)</u>	<u>1,202,339</u>
Total all funds	\$59,353,415	(\$703,161)	\$58,650,254
FTE	418.10	(1.75)	416.35

Detail of House all funds changes to the executive budget includes:

	REDUCE COMPENSATION PACKAGE TO 2/2	ADJUST HEALTH INSURANCE COST	REMOVE MIDSIZED FARMS INITIATIVE	REMOVE FUNDING FOR VALUE-ADDED CENTER	REALLOCATE EQUIPMENT FUNDING <sup>3</sup>	REDUCE OPERATING FUNDS <sup>4</sup>
Main Research Center	(\$493,551)	\$107,205	(\$125,163) <sup>1</sup>	(\$102,814) <sup>2</sup>		
Dickinson Research Extension Center	(17,108)	4,989			57,500	(10,000)
Central Grasslands Research Extension Center	(7,561)	1,995			(55,000)	(5,000)
Hettinger Research Extension Center	(9,556)	2,851				
Langdon Research Extension Center	(8,561)	2,280			(60,000)	
North Central Research Extension Center	(9,865)	2,423			57,500	
Williston Research Extension Center	(9,140)	2,280				
Carrington Research Extension Center	(19,813)	4,561				(10,000)
Agronomy Seed Farm	<u>(4,468)</u>	<u>855</u>				
Total all funds	(\$579,623)	\$129,439	(\$125,163)	(\$102,814)	\$0	(\$25,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00	(1.00)	(0.75)	0.00	0.00

	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Main Research Center	(\$614,323)
Dickinson Research Extension Center	35,381
Central Grasslands Research Extension Center	(65,566)
Hettinger Research Extension Center	(6,705)
Langdon Research Extension Center	(66,281)
North Central Research Extension Center	50,058
Williston Research Extension Center	(6,860)
Carrington Research Extension Center	(25,252)
Agronomy Seed Farm	<u>(3,613)</u>
Total all funds	(\$703,161)
FTE	(1.75)

This amendment makes the following general fund changes:

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Main Research Center	\$26,793,360	(\$521,013)	\$26,272,347
Dickinson Research Extension Center	1,468,109	35,483	1,503,592
Central Grasslands	841,086	(65,566)	775,520

Research Extension Center			
Hettinger Research Extension Center	732,281	(5,489)	726,792
Langdon Research Extension Center	919,578	(65,593)	853,985
North Central Research Extension Center	731,532	51,184	782,716
Williston Research Extension Center	847,928	(6,702)	841,226
Carrington Research Extension Center	1,328,872	(21,612)	1,307,260
Agronomy Seed Farm			
Total general fund	\$33,662,746	(\$599,308)	\$33,063,438

Detail of House general fund changes to the executive budget includes:

	REDUCE COMPENSATION PACKAGE TO 2/2	ADJUST HEALTH INSURANCE COST	REMOVE MIDSIZED FARMS INITIATIVE	REMOVE FUNDING FOR VALUE-ADDED CENTER	REALLOCATE EQUIPMENT FUNDING 3	REDUCE OPERATING FUNDS 4
Main Research Center	(\$375,408)	\$82,372	(\$125,163) <sup>1</sup>	(\$102,814) <sup>2</sup>		
Dickinson Research Extension Center	(17,006)	4,989			57,500	(10,000)
Central Grasslands Research Extension Center	(7,561)	1,995			(55,000)	(5,000)
Hettinger Research Extension Center	(7,485)	1,996				
Langdon Research Extension Center	(7,631)	2,038			(60,000)	
North Central Research Extension Center	(8,739)	2,423			57,500	
Williston Research Extension Center	(8,697)	1,995				
Carrington Research Extension Center	(15,176)	3,564				(10,000)
Agronomy Seed Farm						
Total general fund	(\$447,703)	\$101,372	(\$125,163)	(\$102,814)	\$0	(\$25,000)
	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES					
Main Research Center	(\$521,013)					
Dickinson Research Extension Center	35,483					
Central Grasslands Research Extension Center	(65,566)					
Hettinger Research Extension Center	(5,489)					
Langdon Research Extension Center	(65,593)					
North Central Research Extension Center	51,184					
Williston Research Extension Center	(6,702)					
Carrington Research Extension Center	(21,612)					
Agronomy Seed Farm						
Total general fund	(\$599,308)					

House changes narrative:

<sup>1</sup> Removes funding included in the executive budget for the midsized farms initiative as follows:

.5 FTE faculty position	(\$67,360)
.5 FTE technician	(43,751)
Operating expenses	<u>(14,052)</u>
Total	(\$125,163)

<sup>2</sup> Removes funding included in the executive budget for establishing a value-added center at North Dakota State University as follows:

.75 FTE faculty position	(\$52,616)
Operating expenses	<u>(50,198)</u>
Total	(\$102,814)

3 Reallocates equipment funding added in the executive budget as follows:

Removes funding provided to Central Grasslands for a swather	(\$55,000)
Removes funding provided to Langdon for a field combine	(60,000)
Adds funding to Dickinson for a tractor	57,500
Adds funding to North Central for a tractor and/or a chemical storage building	57,500
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Total	\$0

4 Reduces operating expenses funding from the general fund at Dickinson, Central Grasslands, and Carrington.

The bill is changed to allow the entities of the Agricultural Experiment Station to retain, beyond the close of the 1999-2001 biennium, any unspent general fund moneys appropriated to or excess income received by the entities during the 1999-2001 biennium. These funds may be used for capital repairs and improvements, equipment, and other one-time expenditures.

Sections are added changing the name of the State Board of Agricultural Research to the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education, providing that the board control and administer the NDSU Extension Service in addition to the Agricultural Experiment Station, and providing that the extension service director is a voting member of the board and that the Agriculture Commissioner is a nonvoting member of the board.