

April 1, 1999

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1252

That the Senate recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1067 and 1068 of the House Journal and pages 915 and 916 of the Senate Journal and that Engrossed House Bill No. 1252 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act relating to sale and use of crop protection products; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. Crop protection products - Canadian labels. The agriculture commissioner, with the advice and consent of the appropriate agricultural commodity group, may authorize the sale and use in this state of a crop protection product that has a Canadian label, if the commissioner determines that a crop protection product having an American label contains substantially similar active ingredients and that its importation and use does not violate federal law. The commissioner shall require an applicator to possess the American label and apply the product in accordance with the American label provisions.

SECTION 2. Special local needs exemption - Tolerances. The agriculture commissioner, in cooperation with the environmental protection agency, shall use tolerance data established or obtained in North America in pursuing special local needs exemptions for crop protection products under the federal Insecticide, Fungicide, and Rodenticide Act [7 U.S.C. 136 et seq.].

SECTION 3. Crop protection products - Registration process - Joint labeling. The governor and the agriculture commissioner shall work with all appropriate public and private entities to foster the development of a single, uniform process for the joint North American labeling of crop protection products not available for sale and use in this state as of the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 4. Crop protection products - Request to petition for registration. On the written request of any agricultural commodity group, the agriculture commissioner shall petition the environmental protection agency for the American registration of a crop protection product approved for use in Canada.

SECTION 5. Crop protection products - Joint labeling - Report to legislative council. During the 1999-2000 interim, the agriculture commissioner shall report at least twice to the legislative council regarding the efforts to develop a single, uniform process for the joint North American labeling of crop protection products.

SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure."

Renumber accordingly