

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1049

Page 1, line 1, after "sections" insert "1-08-12," and after "4-30-03.9" insert ", 6-09.6-01.1, 6-09.6-01.2"

Page 1, line 4, after "40-63-09" insert ", 42-04-01"

Page 1, line 5, after "52-06-06.1" insert ", subsection 9 of section 54-40.1-02"

Page 1, after line 10, insert:

**"SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 1-08-12 of the 1999 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**1-08-12. Alternative methods of signing, subscribing, or verifying documents filed by electronic means.** A state agency, as defined in section ~~32-12-1-02~~ 44-08-04.2, charged by law with the duty of receiving signed, subscribed, or verified documents may accept such documents filed by electronic means, including telecommunications. The secretary of state shall adopt rules in the manner provided in chapter 28-32 to govern methods for signing, subscribing, or verifying documents filed by electronic means, except documents filed with the tax commissioner. A signature on a document filed by electronic means which is accepted by the state agency and complies with the rules of the secretary of state has the same validity and consequence as the actual signature and written declaration for a paper document."

Page 2, after line 6, insert:

**"SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 6-09.6-01.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**6-09.6-01.1. Developmentally disabled facility loan fund program no. 2.** There is hereby created a developmentally disabled facility loan fund program no. 2 for the purpose of making loans to nonprofit corporations, organized in the localities in which facilities are proposed to be located, for project costs, including the cost of real estate, construction, reconstruction, acquisition, furnishings, and equipment, and administrative costs related to the establishment thereof, of facilities for developmentally disabled, chronically mentally ill, and physically disabled persons. The loan fund may borrow an amount not to exceed five million dollars from the common ~~school~~ schools trust fund to finance the program. The loan must be repaid from any moneys in the lands and minerals trust fund not otherwise appropriated. Any interest earned by the loan fund before loans are made must be credited by the Bank to the lands and minerals trust fund. The loan fund program must be administered by the Bank of North Dakota in the same manner the Bank administers the program established by sections 6-09.6-01 and 6-09.6-02 through 6-09.6-05, except that all payments of principal and interest must be credited by the Bank to the lands and minerals trust fund after the Bank has deducted a service fee for administering the program equivalent to an annual fee of one-half of one percent of the principal balance of the outstanding loans.

**SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 6-09.6-01.2 of the 1999 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**6-09.6-01.2. Developmentally disabled facility loan fund program no. 3.**

There is hereby created a developmentally disabled facility loan fund program no. 3 for the purpose of making loans to nonprofit corporations, organized in the localities in which facilities are proposed to be located, for project costs, including the cost of real estate, construction, reconstruction, acquisition, furnishings, and equipment, and administrative costs related to the establishment thereof, of facilities for developmentally disabled, chronically mentally ill, and physically disabled persons. The loan fund may borrow an amount not to exceed four million nine hundred fifty-one thousand one hundred forty-five dollars from the common ~~school~~ schools trust fund to finance the program. The loan fund program shall be administered by the Bank of North Dakota in the same manner the Bank administers the program established by sections 6-09.6-01 and 6-09.6-02 through 6-09.6-05, except that all payments of principal and interest must be credited by the Bank to the lands and minerals trust fund after the Bank has deducted a service fee for administering the program equivalent to an annual fee of one-half of one percent of the principal balance of the outstanding loans."

Page 9, after line 8, insert:

**"SECTION 16. AMENDMENT.** Section 42-04-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**42-04-01. Agricultural operation defined.** As used in this chapter, "agricultural operation" means the science and art of production of plants and animals useful to people, by a corporation or a limited liability company as allowed under chapter 10-06.1, or by a corporation or limited liability company, a partnership, or a proprietorship, and including, to a variable extent, the preparation of these products for people's use and their disposal by marketing or otherwise, and includes horticulture, floriculture, viticulture, forestry, dairy, livestock, poultry, bee, and any and all forms of farm products, and farm production."

Page 10, after line 31, insert:

**"SECTION 21. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 9 of section 54-40.1-02 of the 1999 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

9. "Regional council" means the council for comprehensive planning and development established in each region pursuant to ~~section 54-40-08~~ this chapter."

Renumber accordingly