

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1427**

Introduced by

Representatives Schmidt, Froelich

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 36-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to the appointment of members to the state board of animal health.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 36-01-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
5 amended and reenacted as follows:

6 **36-01-01. State board of animal health - Appointment - Terms - Qualifications.**

- 7 1. The state board of animal health consists of nine members appointed by the  
8 governor for terms of seven years each with their terms of office so arranged that  
9 two terms expire on the first day of August in one year and one term expires on the  
10 first day of August in each of the next six years. The term of the individual  
11 appointed to represent the nontraditional livestock industry expires on August 1,  
12 2010. No individual may be appointed to more than two 7-year terms on the board.
- 13 2. Each member of the board must be a qualified elector of this state. Each member  
14 of the board, immediately after appointment, shall take the oath of office required of  
15 civil officers.
- 16 3. The members of the board must include:
- 17 a. One individual who is actively engaged and financially interested in the  
18 commercial beef cattle industry and who shall represent the industry on the  
19 board;
- 20 b. One individual who is actively engaged and financially interested in the  
21 registered purebred beef cattle industry and who shall represent the industry  
22 on the board;
- 23 c. One individual who is actively engaged and financially interested in the dairy  
24 cattle industry and who shall represent the industry on the board;

- 1 d. One individual who is actively engaged and financially interested in the swine
- 2 industry and who shall represent the industry on the board;
- 3 e. One individual who is actively engaged and financially interested in the sheep
- 4 industry and who shall represent the industry on the board;
- 5 f. One individual who is actively engaged and financially interested in the bison
- 6 industry and who shall represent the industry on the board;
- 7 g. One individual who is actively engaged and financially interested in the
- 8 nontraditional livestock industry and who shall represent the industry on the
- 9 board; and
- 10 h. Two individuals who are licensed veterinarians.
- 11 4. Vacancies occurring prior to the expiration of terms of office must be filled by
- 12 appointment by the governor and must be for the balance of the unexpired term.
- 13 5. Recommendations for the appointment of individuals to the board may be made to
- 14 the governor by the North Dakota stockmen's association and the independent
- 15 beef association of North Dakota for the individuals representing commercial beef
- 16 cattle, by the various registered purebred beef cattle associations for the individual
- 17 representing the registered purebred beef cattle industry, by the various dairy
- 18 breed associations for the individual representing the dairy cattle industry, by the
- 19 North Dakota swine breeders' association for the individual representing the swine
- 20 industry, by the North Dakota wool growers' association for the individual
- 21 representing the sheep industry, by the state veterinary medical association for the
- 22 two veterinarians, by the North Dakota buffalo association for the individual
- 23 representing the bison industry, by the nontraditional livestock industry for the
- 24 individual representing the nontraditional livestock industry, and by any
- 25 associations within this state representing livestock industries as the governor may
- 26 permit.
- 27 6. Two recommendations must be submitted for each position to be filled, except the
- 28 North Dakota stockmen's association and the independent beef association of
- 29 North Dakota may each recommend two individuals for the position representing
- 30 the commercial beef cattle industry.