Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2104

Introduced by

Industry, Business and Labor Committee

(At the request of the Agriculture Commissioner)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 6-09-41 of the North Dakota Century Code,
- 2 relating to loan guarantees for livestock and dairy farming and related equipment and facilities.

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

- 4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 6-09-41 of the North Dakota Century Code is 5 amended and reenacted as follows:
- 6 6-09-41. (Effective through June 30, 2009) Livestock loan guarantee program 7 Establishment Rules.
- The Bank of North Dakota shall establish and administer a livestock loan
 guarantee program that is designed to expand livestock feeding and dairy farming
 in this state.
- Under the program, the Bank may guarantee a loan made by a bank, a credit
 union, a savings and loan association, or any other lending institution in this state
- 13 to the owner of a commercial feedlot that backgrounds or feeds cattle to
- 14 harvest-ready weight <u>or to the owner of a new or expanding diary operation</u>. In the
- 15 event of a default, the Bank shall pay to the lender the amount agreed upon,
- provided that the amount may not exceed eighty-five percent of the principal duethe lender at the time the claim is approved.
- The Bank shall adopt rules governing additional terms, conditions, and procedures
 necessary to meet the requirements of this section. The rules must include an
 administrative fee payable to the Bank and must provide that equity requirements
 may not exceed fifteen percent.