Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO.

Introduced by

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Representative Froelich

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for a horse slaughter feasibility study.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- 3 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the 4 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$100,000, or so much 5 of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of commerce for the purpose of conducting 6 a horse slaughter feasibility study, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, and ending 7 June 30, 2011. 8 1. The feasibility study must: 9 Address the cost of constructing a new horse slaughter facility in this state; a. 10 Determine whether existing structures could be converted to a horse b. 11 slaughter facility and the cost of conversion; 12 Determine the nature and scope of existing and potential markets, both C. 13 domestic and international, for horse meat and other by-products of horse 14 slaughter; 15 d. Review federal laws, regulations, policies, and guidelines regarding horse 16 slaughter and evaluate the potential for amendments and modifications;
 - e. Examine the potential for retaining loans, grants, and other incentives in order to further the development of a horse slaughter facility.
 - The department of commerce shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-second legislative assembly.