Sixty-first Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Representative Zaiser

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 23-29 of the North Dakota

2 Century Code, relating to a waste reduction fund and program; and to provide a continuing

3 appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 23-29 of the North Dakota Century Code is 6 created and enacted as follows:

7 Waste reduction fund and program - Continuing appropriation. The waste 8 reduction fund is a special fund in the state treasury from which funds are appropriated on a 9 continuing basis for the purposes of this section. Each public or private municipal solid waste 10 landfill shall pay to the fund as a condition of licensure a fee of one dollar per ton of municipal 11 solid waste collected at the landfill. The landfill may collect this fee from the person hauling or 12 producing the waste. This fee must be paid to the state department of health at least annually 13 or at a shorter duration as required by the department. The department shall provide grants to 14 political subdivisions for waste reduction and recycling programs that meet or exceed waste 15 reduction and recycling goals adopted by the department. The goals must be based on the 16 reduction of waste in a landfill on weight of waste per capita and be comparable for each 17 political subdivision. The department may complete studies and create criteria for the awarding

18 of grants. The cost of administration of the grant program is to be paid by the fund.