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ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1326

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Representatives Berg, Brandenburg, Froelich, D. Johnson Senators Taylor, Wanzek

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 36-01 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to requested certification by livestock producers and processors; and to
- 3 provide a continuing appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 36-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is 6 created and enacted as follows:

State board of animal health - Certification of livestock - Fees - Continuing appropriation.

- a. At the request of a livestock producer, the board shall provide inspection and verification services for the purpose of certifying that livestock have been or are being raised according to standards and protocols articulated by the producer.
 - b. At the request of a livestock processor, the board shall provide inspection and verification services for the purpose of certifying that the meat products and manner of processing meet or exceed standards, descriptions, or specifications articulated by the processor.
 - <u>c.</u> The board shall determine the nature and scope of the inspection and
 verification services necessary to provide the certification requested under
 this subsection.
- 2. The board may establish and charge fees for the requested services. The board shall forward all moneys received under this section to the state treasurer for deposit in the agriculture commissioner's operating fund.