

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1009 - Department of Agriculture - Senate Action**

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$8,586,426	\$8,130,102	\$504,216	\$8,634,318
Operating expenses	5,844,960	5,779,960	237,422	6,017,382
Capital assets	5,000	5,000		5,000
Grants	2,869,825	2,969,825		2,969,825
Board of Animal Health	2,378,325	2,378,325	175,000	2,553,325
Wildlife Services	1,067,400	1,067,400		1,067,400
Crop Harmonization Board	50,000	50,000		50,000
Total all funds	\$20,801,936	\$20,380,612	\$916,638	\$21,297,250
Less estimated income	13,867,630	13,529,488	479,046	14,008,534
General fund	\$6,934,306	\$6,851,124	\$437,592	\$7,288,716
FTE	70.50	69.50	3.00	72.50

Department No. 602 - Department of Agriculture - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Funding for Anticipated Salary Savings¹	Restores Salary Equity Funding²	Restores New FTE Position³	Adds Meat Inspector Position⁴	Adds Field Inspector Position⁵	Restores Funding for Office Space Lease⁶
Salaries and wages	\$196,602	\$180,901	\$78,821	\$47,892		
Operating expenses				28,500		120,000
Capital assets						
Grants						
Board of Animal Health					175,000	
Wildlife Services						
Crop Harmonization Board						
Total all funds	\$196,602	\$180,901	\$78,821	\$76,392	\$175,000	\$120,000
Less estimated income	99,074	94,068	0	36,982	0	0
General fund	\$97,528	\$86,833	\$78,821	\$39,410	\$175,000	\$120,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	0.00

	Adds Funding for Project Safe Send⁷	Adds Funding for Weed Free Certification⁸	Restores Funding Source for Board of Animal Health⁹	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages				\$504,216
Operating expenses	40,000	48,922		237,422
Capital assets				
Grants				
Board of Animal Health				175,000
Wildlife Services				
Crop Harmonization Board				
Total all funds	\$40,000	\$48,922	\$0	\$916,638
Less estimated income	0	48,922	200,000	479,046
General fund	\$40,000	\$0	(\$200,000)	\$437,592
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00

¹ This amendment restores funding for salaries and wages removed by the House to recognize anticipated savings from vacant positions and employee turnover.

² This amendment restores salary equity funding removed by the House.

³ Funding removed by the House from the general fund for a new FTE meat inspector position is restored.

⁴ This amendment provides funding from the general fund (\$39,410) and from federal funds (\$36,982) for a new FTE meat inspector position (\$47,892) and related operating expenses (\$28,500) beginning July 1, 2010.

⁵ This amendment provides a general fund appropriation of \$175,000 for a new FTE field inspector position (\$116,400) and related operating expenses (\$58,600) for the State Board of Animal Health.

⁶ Funding from the general fund removed by the House for the leasing of additional office space is restored. A section is also added to provide the Agriculture Commissioner with the discretion to use the funding to lease additional office space for department purposes.

⁷ This amendment adds \$40,000 of funding from the general fund for Project Safe Send to assist in flood-related pesticide cleanup activities.

⁸ Operating expenses are increased by \$48,922 from the environment and rangeland protection fund for costs associated with the weed seed free certification program under 2009 House Bill No. 1270.

⁹ This amendment restores the funding sources for the State Board of Animal Health that were changed by the House. Funding from the game and fish fund is increased by \$200,000 and funding from the general fund is reduced by \$200,000.

This amendment also:

- Amends North Dakota Century Code Section 4-01-19 to provide that funding received from Pride of Dakota activities be deposited in the Agriculture Department operating fund rather than the general fund.
- Adds an emergency section for funds designated to be used for Project Safe Send flood activities.