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Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2345

Introduced by

Senators Nething, Miller, Wanzek

Representatives DeKrey, Hofstad, Kingsbury

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide for the department of commerce to conduct a sugar-based
- 2 feedstock biofuel demonstration plant feasibility study; and to provide an appropriation.

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

4 SECTION 1. SUGAR-BASED FEEDSTOCK BIOFUEL DEMONSTRATION PLANT

5 **FEASIBILITY STUDY.**

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- 1. During the 2011-13 interim, the department of commerce shall conduct a sugar-based feedstock biofuel demonstration plant feasibility study.
- 8 2. The feasibility study must:
 - a. Address the cost of a sugar-based feedstock biofuel demonstration plant;
 - b. Determine the nature and scope of existing and potential markets, both domestic and international, for sugar-based feedstock biofuel;
 - c. Review federal laws, regulations, policies, and guidelines regarding biofuels; and
 - d. Examine the potential for obtaining loans, grants, and other incentives in order to further the development of a sugar-based feedstock biofuel demonstration plant.
 - The department of commerce shall report its findings and recommendations, together
 with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-third
 legislative assembly.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$5,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of commerce for the purpose of conducting a sugar-based feedstock biofuel demonstration plant feasibility study as provided under section 1 of this Act, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013.