

HOUSE BILL NO. 1244
with Senate Amendments
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Introduced by

Representative M. Nelson

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4-01 of the North Dakota Century
2 Code, relating to equine carcasses.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Equine slaughter - Establishments.**

7 The agriculture commissioner shall monitor federal statutory and regulatory actions related
8 to the slaughter of horses, mules, and other equines, and in particular, those actions pertaining
9 to the establishments in which the slaughter and preparation of the carcasses may take place.
10 The agriculture commissioner may pursue or support federal legislative, regulatory, or
11 contractual avenues that would allow for the slaughter and processing of horses, mules, and
12 other equines in this state, without the restriction that the slaughter or product preparation be
13 conducted in establishments separate from any in which cattle, sheep, swine, or goats are
14 slaughtered or their products are prepared.