

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1591

(Representatives Ostlie, Grueneich, Jonas, Novak, Pyle, Satrom, Schreiber-Beck, Stemen)
(Senators Conley, Meyer, Wanzek)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the agriculture commissioner for a county fair resiliency grant program; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND - AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER - COUNTY FAIR RESILIENCY GRANT PROGRAM - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the strategic investment and improvements fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the agriculture commissioner for the purpose of providing grants to county agriculture fair associations for the planning, design, and construction of infrastructure projects, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2027. The agriculture commissioner may not award more than \$100,000 to a county agriculture fair association under this program. The agriculture commissioner shall create guidelines to distribute the grant funding, including the requirement for a recipient to provide one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for every two dollars of grant funding received. The guidelines may provide for matching funds to be provided in the form of cash or in-kind contributions. The funding in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

SECTION 2. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1591 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 79 Nays 12 Absent 3

Speaker of the House

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 0 Absent 2

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2025,
at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State