

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the agriculture
2 commissioner; and to amend and reenact section 4-01-21 of the North Dakota Century Code,
3 relating to the salary of the agriculture commissioner.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the
6 funds as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in
7 the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal
8 funds and other income, to the commissioner of agriculture for the purpose of defraying the
9 expenses of the commissioner of agriculture for the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and
10 ending June 30, 1999, as follows:

11 Salaries and wages	\$ 3,023,812
12 Operating expenses	1,105,886
13 Equipment	32,900
14 Grants	561,700
15 Board of animal health	454,199
16 Ag mediation	1,377,537
17 Ag in the classroom	25,000
18 Anhydrous ammonia storage	20,444
19 Waterbank program	214,000
20 Animal damage control	784,694
21 Safe send	552,133
22 Noxious weeds	<u>959,529</u>
23 Total all funds	\$ 9,111,834

1	Less estimated income	<u>4,591,594</u>
2	Total general fund appropriation	\$ 4,520,240

3 **SECTION 2. ESTIMATED INCOME - FIRE AND TORNADO FUND.** The estimated
4 income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$20,444, or so much of the sum as
5 may be necessary, from the state fire and tornado fund for the purpose of defraying the
6 expenses of the anhydrous ammonia storage program.

7 **SECTION 3. ESTIMATED INCOME - ENVIRONMENT AND RANGELAND**

8 **PROTECTION FUND.** The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum

9 of \$1,424,902, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, from the environment and

10 rangeland protection fund for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the pesticide regulation,

11 pesticide disposal, and noxious weeds programs, of which \$90,890 is for the pesticide

12 regulation program, \$552,133 is for the pesticide disposal program, and \$750,879 is for the

13 noxious weeds program.

14 **SECTION 4. TRANSFER.** The office of management and budget shall transfer
15 \$100,000 from the environment and rangeland protection fund to the minor use pesticide fund,
16 for the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1999.

17 **SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE INTENT.** It is the intent of the legislative assembly that the
18 board of animal health contract for veterinary services whenever appropriate and cost effective
19 for the biennium beginning July 1, 1997, and ending June 30, 1999.

20 **SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-01-21 of the 1995 Supplement to the North
21 Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

22 **4-01-21. Salary of commissioner of agriculture.** The annual salary of the
23 commissioner of agriculture is ~~fifty-two~~ fifty-five thousand ~~seven~~ four hundred ~~eighty-seven~~
24 sixty-four dollars through June 30, ~~1996~~ 1998, and ~~fifty-three~~ fifty-seven thousand ~~eight~~ one
25 hundred ~~forty-three~~ twenty dollars thereafter.