

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act relating to fees in biotechnology contracts.

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

3 **SECTION 1. Sale and use of transgenic seeds - Contract - Fees prohibited.** Any
4 contract governing the sale and use of transgenic seeds and entered by a producer and the
5 holder of a patent governing the seeds may not contain technology fees or fees of any other
6 nature or kind which are, within the terms of the contract, to be paid to the patent holder by the
7 producer. Any contract that is signed after July 31, 2003, and which violates this section is void
8 upon a party to the contract delivering written notice of the violation to the attorney general.