

Sixty-second  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1305

Introduced by

Representatives Kingsbury, Paur

Senator Olafson

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 4-37-01, 4-37-02, 4-37-03, and 4-37-04 of the  
2 North Dakota Century Code, relating to agriculture in the classroom.

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

4 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-37-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended  
5 and reenacted as follows:

6 **4-37-01. Agriculture in the classroom program.**

7 Recognizing the need to promote and foster an understanding of the agricultural economy  
8 of the state of North Dakota and the values of rural lifestyles, an agriculture in the classroom  
9 program is hereby established ~~to be administered by an agriculture in the classroom council in~~  
10 ~~conjunction with the.~~ The agriculture commissioner shall administer the program with the advice  
11 of the agriculture in the classroom council.

12 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-37-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended  
13 and reenacted as follows:

14 **4-37-02. Agriculture in the classroom council.**

15 1. An ~~The~~ agriculture in the classroom council is established. ~~The council consists of~~  
16 ~~sixteen members to be appointed by theseven individuals.~~ The agriculture  
17 ~~commissioner. One member must be the agriculture commissioner or the~~  
18 ~~commissioner's designee, and one member must be~~ shall appoint six council  
19 members. The seventh council member is the superintendent of public instruction or  
20 the superintendent's designee. ~~Agriculture in the classroom grant recipients are~~  
21 ~~nonvoting members of the council.~~

22 2. The council members may select one from among themselves to serve as the  
23 chairman.

- 1        3. The council shall meet at least twice each year, at the call of the chairman, for the  
2                    purpose of providing advice to the agriculture commissioner regarding issues related  
3                    to agriculture in the classroom.

4        **SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-37-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended  
5 and reenacted as follows:

6        **4-37-03. Purpose - Powers and duties.**

- 7        1. The agriculture in the classroom council may provide commissioner may award grants  
8                    and contract with any person for the provision of an agriculture in the classroom  
9                    program, the development of agricultural curriculum activities applicable to students  
10                   from kindergarten through grade twelve, and the training of teachers in agricultural  
11                   curriculum activities.
- 12        2. The council agriculture commissioner shall work with teachers, the superintendent of  
13                    public instruction, the department of career and technical education, and the United  
14                    States department of agriculture, ~~and the state agriculture commissioner in-~~  
15                    ~~accomplishing this purpose. The council~~ to provide and promote an agriculture in the  
16                    classroom program.
- 17        3. In addition to any other powers and duties set forth in this section, the agriculture  
18                    commissioner may:
- 19        1.4. Consult with the state superintendent of public instruction, the department of career  
20                    and technical education, ~~the state agriculture commissioner, and the United States~~  
21                    department of agriculture, and any other public or nonpublic entities;
- 22        2.5. Prepare instructional, informational, and reference publications on the North Dakota  
23                    agricultural economy and rural lifestyles;
- 24        3.6. Provide training programs for public school teachers in agricultural curriculum  
25                    activities;
- 26        4.7. Encourage research on and identification of new instructional, informational, and  
27                    reference publications relating to this state's agricultural economy and rural lifestyles;  
28                    and
- 29        5.8. Monitor the quality and condition of the agriculture in the classroom program.

30        **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 4-37-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended  
31 and reenacted as follows:

1       **4-37-04. Gifts and grants.**

2       The agriculture in the classroom ~~council~~commissioner may accept and expend private-  
3       contributions, gifts, and grants in aid from the federal government, private industry, and other  
4       sources. ~~The council shall expend any moneys received under this section for the~~gifts, grants,  
5       and donations in support of the agriculture in the classroom program. If any gifts, grants, or  
6       donations are designated for a specific purpose if a, the commissioner shall honor the purpose  
7       is included as a condition of the gift, grant, or donation. The council may use all other moneys  
8       received under this section to carry out the purposes ofprovided the purpose is consistent with  
9       this chapter.