

HOUSE BILL NO. 1466

Introduced by

Representatives Brandenburg, Kretschmar, Schmidt

Senators Erbele, Klein, Wanzek

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new ~~subsection to section 15-02-05~~to chapter 15-02 of
2 the North Dakota Century Code, relating to ~~duties of the commissioner~~the authority of the board
3 of university and school lands.

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

5 ~~— **SECTION 1.** A new subsection to section 15-02-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is~~
6 ~~created and enacted as follows:~~

7 ~~Negotiate with representatives of the United States army corps of engineers with the~~
8 ~~goal of introducing federal legislation to return excess lands around Lake Sakakawea~~
9 ~~above elevation 1,854 feet mean sea level and excess lands around Lake Oahe above~~
10 ~~1,617 feet mean sea level to the board of university and school lands with the goal of~~
11 ~~returning these excess lands to the former private landowners or adjacent landowners~~
12 ~~to the extent feasible.~~

13 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
14 and enacted as follows:

15 **Authority to accept Lake Sakakawea lands.**

16 If, through federal legislation, the United States army corps of engineers returns excess
17 lands around Lake Sakakawea above elevation of 1,854 feet [565.099 meters] mean sea level
18 and excess lands around Lake Oahe above 1,620 feet [493.766 meters] mean sea level, the
19 board of university and school lands may accept the land on behalf of the state of North Dakota.