

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1247**

Introduced by

Representatives Schmidt, Belter, Damschen, Headland, D. Johnson

Senators Dotzenrod, Wanzek

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4-01 of the North Dakota Century  
2 Code, relating to agricultural wetland credits.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Agricultural wetland credits - Establishment of program.**

7 ~~1.~~ The agriculture commissioner shall implement a program under which wetland credits  
8 may be established by an agricultural landowner who restores a wetland and made  
9 available for purchase by an agricultural landowner needing to replace wetlands.

10 ~~2. The game and fish department shall provide all evaluations and monitoring necessary~~  
11 ~~to ensure compliance with the program, as implemented, and with federal legislation.~~