

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1467  
with Senate Amendments  
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Sixty-sixth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

Introduced by

Representatives D. Johnson, Brandenburg, Hatlestad, Howe

Senators Klein, Luick, Wanzek

1 A BILL for an Act to provide for a legislative management study regarding agricultural issues in  
2 the state.

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

4 **SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - AGRICULTURAL ISSUES - GRAIN**  
5 **BUYERS, ROVING GRAIN BUYERS, GRAIN HANDLING FACILITIES, FERTILIZER, SOIL**  
6 **AMENDMENTS, SEED, AND FUEL.** During the 2019-20 interim, the legislative management  
7 shall consider studying agricultural issues in the state, including studying grain buyers, roving  
8 grain buyers, grain brokers, and grain handling facilities under title 60; and issues related to  
9 prepayment for fertilizer, soil amendments, seed, and fuel in situations of insolvency. The study  
10 must include a review of the current law, industry practices, and background checks relating to  
11 grain buyers, roving grain buyers, grain brokers, and handling facilities and a review of any  
12 potential efficiencies that may exist, methods of maintaining financial security during the grain  
13 buying process including consideration of facility operating capital to ensure adequate solvency  
14 during licensing, and the process of confidential financial and physical audits. The study also  
15 must include a review of the law pertaining to grain handling facility asset lists to determine if  
16 changes are required to ensure producers are protected from facility insolvency if an end  
17 product is refined and no longer reflects the original product, the indemnity fund under title 60,  
18 and grain handling facility bonding requirements. The legislative management shall report its  
19 findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the  
20 recommendations, to the sixty-seventh legislative assembly.