

Introduced by

Government and Veterans Affairs Committee

(At the request of the State Historical Society)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact section 15-10-62 of the North Dakota Century Code,
2 relating to the nickel trophy; to provide for a budget section report; and to provide a contingent
3 appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-10-62 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **15-10-62. NickelFootball trophy.**

- 8 1. After being retired by the university of North Dakota and the North Dakota state
9 university of agriculture and applied science, the state-owned nickel trophy must be
10 displayed permanently in the heritage center.
- 11 2. To promote national recognition and statewide enthusiasm, the legislative assembly
12 encourages the university of North Dakota and the North Dakota state university of
13 agriculture and applied science to play for the ~~nickel~~ state-owned trophy during the
14 course of a national collegiate athletic association football game beginning with the
15 football game in the fall of 2023. If the athletic director or president of either institution
16 elects not to play for the nickel trophy, the nickel trophy must be permanently
17 displayed in the heritage center.

18 **SECTION 2. CONTINGENT APPROPRIATION - REPORT TO BUDGET SECTION -**

19 **FOOTBALL TROPHY.** The university of North Dakota and North Dakota state university of
20 agriculture and applied science shall present a report to the budget section before June 30,
21 2022, with a plan for how the universities will collaborate to design and create a state-owned
22 trophy for purposes of section 15-10-62. If the budget section approves the plan for
23 collaboration, there is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury,
24 not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$9,900, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to

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1 the university of North Dakota and North Dakota state university of agriculture and applied
2 science for the purpose of designing and creating a state-owned trophy, for the biennium
3 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023. The funds appropriated under this section
4 may be supplemented by other resources of the universities, provided the use of the other
5 resources is not contrary to legislative appropriations.