Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1143

Introduced by

Representatives Pyle, Brandenburg, Davis, McLeod, Mitskog, Swiontek, Hauck Senators Boschee, Lee, Roers, Barta, Dever

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the agriculture commissioner for a food
- 2 distribution facility grant program.

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

4 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS

5 FUND - AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER - FOOD DISTRIBUTION FACILITY GRANT

6 **PROGRAM** - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the strategic 7 investment and improvements fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of 8 \$10,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the agriculture commissioner for 9 the purpose of providing a food distribution facility grant program, for the biennium beginning 10 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. Grant funds may be used only to pay for site 11 acquisition, architectural costs, engineering costs, labor, equipment, and materials related to the 12 construction of a statewide charitable food distribution and logistics facility. A grant recipient 13 must provide one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for each dollar provided by 14 the agriculture commissioner. Entities receiving funding under this section shall report to the 15 agriculture commissioner annually regarding the use and effectiveness of the funding. The 16 funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.