

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1143
(Representatives Pyle, Brandenburg, Davis, McLeod, Mitskog, Swiontek, Hauck)
(Senators Boschee, Lee, Roers, Barta, Dever)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the agriculture commissioner for a food distribution facility grant program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND - AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER - FOOD DISTRIBUTION FACILITY GRANT PROGRAM - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the strategic investment and improvements fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$5,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the agriculture commissioner for the purpose of providing a food distribution facility grant program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. Grant funds may be used only to pay for site acquisition, architectural costs, engineering costs, labor, equipment, and materials related to the construction of a statewide charitable food distribution and logistics facility. A grant recipient must provide one dollar of matching funds from nonstate sources for each dollar provided by the agriculture commissioner. Entities receiving funding under this section shall report to the agriculture commissioner annually regarding the use and effectiveness of the funding. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1143.

House Vote: Yeas 71 Nays 16 Absent 6

Senate Vote: Yeas 36 Nays 9 Absent 2

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2025,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State