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2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1389

House Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 02-18-03

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Minutes:

Rep. Skarphol This reduces the size of SBARE, I Move Amendment 30314.0207 to HB 1389.

2nd by Rep. Wald.

Rep. Rennerfeldt Will the research centers have any input as to who is nominated to the district representations around the state?

Rep. Skarphol It is intended that there will be geographical distribution and representation.

Rep. Brusegaard I want to commend Rep. Skarphol for taking on this board. These amendments fix problems with SBARE and NDSU relations. This has been an ongoing problem for 6 years. Rep. Skarphol took this issue on head on.

Motion Passes.

Rep. Skarphol I move a Do Pass As Amended 2nd by Carlson. Motion Carries 16 yeas, 6 nays, 1 absent/not voting. Rep. Skarphol will carry the bill.

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FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 01/21/2003

Bill/Resolution No.:

HB 1389

1A. State fiscal effect: Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

2. Narrative: Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.

NDSU does not estimate any substantial cost increase to produce the required reports. Any additional costs would be absorbed within current appropriations.

- 3. State fiscal effect detail: For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:
 - A. Revenues: Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.
 - B. Expenditures: Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line Item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.
 - C. Appropriations: Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.

Name:	Laura Glatt	Agency:	NDUS
Phone Number:	328-4116	Date Prepared:	01/24/2003

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for Representative Berg February 18, 2003

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AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1389

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- As the terms of office held on the effective date of this Act by individuals listed in subdivisions a and b of subsection 1 expire, the ag coalition shall provide to the governor a list of two names for each position and the governor shall appoint an individual to each position from that list.
- The initial five members appointed by the ag coalition shall select their <u>3.</u> terms by lot so that one member serves for one year, one member serves for two years, one member serves for three years, one member serves for four years, and one member serves for five years.
 - The initial five members appointed by the extension service's multicounty program units shall select their terms by lot so that one member serves for one year, one member serves for two years, one member serves for three years, one member serves for four years, and one member serves for five years.
 - The two persons appointed as representatives of the state's research extension centers shall serve only through June 30, 1998.
- At the completion of each initial term, the term of office for each member is 3. 4. five years, beginning on July first. No person may be appointed to a second five-year term.
 - At least ninety days before the conclusion of the initial term of each member appointed by the ag coalition, the ag coalition shall provide to the state board of higher education a list of one or more names from which the state board of higher-education shall appoint a successor. Future appointments to those five positions must be made in the same manner. The state board of higher education shall ensure that four out of the five seats are held by agricultural producers.
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- 4. Implement Collaborate with the president of North Dakota state university to implement the strategies developed under eubsections subsection 2 and 3, subject to approval by the state board of higher education;
- 5. Develop, with the agricultural experiment station and the North-Dakota state university extension service, an annual
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Rep. Ken Svedjan (Chair)	V		Rep. Bob Skarphol		
Rep. Mike Timm (Vice-Chair)			Rep. Blair Thoreson		
Rep. Bob Martinson	V		Rep. Eliot Glassheim		1
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Rep. Francis J. Wald	1/		Rep. Amy Warnke		
Rep. Ole Aarsvold		1	Rep. Larry Bellew		
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1389: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Svedjan, Chairman) recommends AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS and when so amended, recommends DO PASS (16 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1389 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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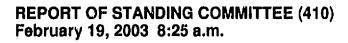
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Testimony on HB1389 Dennis Miller, President North Dakota Crop Improvement and Seed Association 9467 63 St NE Lawton, ND 58345 701-644-2611 dimiller@polarcomm.com

Chm Svedjan and members of the House Appropriations Committee

My name is Dennis Miller and I serve as President of the North Dakota Crop Improvement and Seed Association. As a board, we oversee the seed increase program of public crop varieties developed by NDSU and collect and distribute checkoff fees that these new varieties generate. We work closely with the Plant Science Department at NDSU, the ND Agricultural Experiment Stations and the NDSU Extension Service.

The NDCISA opposes the proposed changes to the SBARE committee that HB 1389 would accomplish. NDCISA feels SBARE currently provides the grassroot input into research that is necessary to keep research at NDSU on the cutting edge. NDCISA asks that the House Ai propriations Committee maintains SBARE in it's original purpose.

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North Dakota STATE BOARD OF AGRICULTURAL RESEARCH AND EDUCATION

January 28, 2003

Chairman Svedjan and members of the House Appropriations Committee:

My name is Jerry Doan and I am a fourth generation farmer rancher from McKenzie, North Dakota. I am also the chair of the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education.

I think it is a fair question for the Legislature to ask - is SBARE and the process working? To answer that question, we must review the history of SBARE.

In 1973, the Consultation Board was established to be an advisory board to the State Board of Higher Education regarding agricultural research. The board was formed based on a feeling that producer input was not being heard at NDSU. In 1994, it was decided that the Consultation Board was not being listened to and a task force was set up to make changes to the board. I served on that task force and the recommendation was to change and make the board advisory to the NDSU President rather than to the SBHE. This Consultation Board continued until 1997. I also served on that Consultation Board and can tell you, an advisory board is not very effective.

In 1997, the Legislature, in union with the Ag Coalition, set up the State Board of Agricultural Research, allowing the ten producers which represent agriculture to have authority in the priority-setting process. In the 1999 session, Extension was added to the law to allow for a more integrated program to serve agriculture, making it the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education.

SBARE has served agriculture well - bringing a producer's perspective to the research and extension agenda. We have always considered it to be a team effort, involving the scientific expertise of NDSU and the producer's wishes - developing a better program for North Dakota.

SBARE has worked hard to implement the Agricultural Research Fund (gas tax research fund), involving our producers on granting committees and funding more than 236 research projects to date. This has become a model research fund, talked about nationally.

SBARE has also worked hard on many goals, including the Animal Nutrition and Physiology Center at NDSU, the Molecular Marker Lab (which has been instrumental in helping find scab resistant varieties), and increasing the core operating dollars per researcher from \$2200 to \$6600. These accomplishments, along with many other ideas, such as our vision for increased economic activity within the beef industry, called BeefLine, have allowed SBARE to have an impact on North Dakota agriculture. Probably one of the most important issues SBARE has helped with is simply the communication between department chairs, research extension center directors, and producers. This alone has helped utilize tax dollars more effectively.

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The producers that serve on SBARE have one goal in mind, and that is to help North Dakota producers prosper. We appreciate dialogue about how to do that better.

We applaud the Legislature for adding two members of your body for input and feedback — improving the process. Senator Randy Christmann and Representative Phil Mueller will be very helpful in this process. We do not feel it will serve agriculture at all to tear the SBARE process apart.

We look forward to working with the Legislature for the betterment of agriculture in North Dakota.

Respectfully,

Jerry Doan, Chair

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State Board of Agricultural Research and Education

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Testimony of Jim Burbidge
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January 28, 2003
4:00 p.m.
House Appropriations Committee
Roughrider Room

Chairman Svedjan and members of the House Appropriations Committee, my name is Jim Burbidge and I am a grain farmer from Mohall, North Dakota. I am one of the seven board members who serve on the North Dakota Wheat Commission. I am here today to provide testimony on House Bill 1389, which relates to the budget for North Dakota State University's agricultural experiment station and extension service. In particular, I am here to oppose the language which changes the role of the State Board of Agricultural Research and Education (SBARE) from establishing and prioritizing these important research and extension budgets to that of providing advice only.

Continual wheat research with producer involvement and an emphasis on long term results is vital to our industry and to our state's economy since wheat is the single largest commodity in terms of economic activity. North Dakota wheat growers have benefited from priority research projects and enhancements to the agricultural experiment station and research and extension centers since SBARE was established in 1997. Many of these research projects have been funded jointly through SBARE's wheat granting committee and the North Dakota Wheat Commission and this comprehensive and ongoing research is being conducted at NDSU and its branch stations. These ongoing research efforts have enhanced the quantity and quality of spring wheat and durum production across North Dakota.

Since 1998, SBARE allocations to the wheat granting committee and from the SBARE agricultural research fund have ranged between \$143,000 and \$200,000 each year. During that same time the North Dakota Wheat Commission has spent nearly \$113,000 in matching contributions. The result has been successful projects that not only benefit the state's wheat industry but the entire state's economy.

In conclusion, the North Dakota Wheat Commission opposes HB 1389 because we believe the current structure and additional emphasis on agricultural research of SBARE works very well. The current SBARE system allows wheat producers to work with North Dakota State University researchers and extension professionals to direct research and extension efforts that have a positive economic impact on all producers. In fact, these research efforts have led to the development of the first truly scab tolerant hard red spring wheat variety-Alsen. Most importantly, key input and decision making, stays with those most affected by the problem and its final outcome, the producers. I would be happy to answer any questions any of you may have. Thank you for your consideration.

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State Board of Agricultural Research and Education Highlights: 2001-2003

Planning and vision for the future has changed for the N.D. Agricultural Experiment Station and the NDSU Extension Service. The State Board of Agricultural Research and Education is moving the Experiment Station and Extension Service to do more long-range planning.

SBARE has three "program area" subcommittees. Each committee is assigned to evaluate the needs of the producers and develop strategies to resolve the issues through research and extension programs.

The following are areas or ideas that SBARE has implemented to help North Dakota producers.

Crops Subcommittee

- molecular marker lab (allows for the screening of hundreds of genetic lines in varietal development and disease resistance)
- developed GMO protocol for research
- market analysis for GMO products
- new varietal releases:

1998

Belzer Durum

Jud Oat

Jim Soybean

Daksoy Soybean

Ransom HRWW

Frontier Pinto Bean

Spring 1999

Maier Durum

Mountrail Durum

Parshall HRSW

Reeder HRSW

Cathay Flax

Pembina Flax

Spring 2000

Alsen HRSW

Lebsock Durum

Plaza Durum

Ebeltoft Oat

Youngs Oat

Barnes Soybean

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Argent HWSW

Norpro Soybean (Tofu type)

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Spring 2001
Drummond Barley
Killdeer Oat
Sargent Soybean
Walsh Soybean

Fall 2001

Jerry HRWW

Spring 2002

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Pierce Durum

Dilse Durum

HiFi Oat

Nornatto Soybean (natto type)
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Morton Oat York Flax

RG200RR Soybean (RR type)

- Capital enhancements at research extension centers including land, building, equipment and technology
- increased core operating dollars for researchers (from \$2200/sy to \$6600/sy)
- development of western North Dakota malting and feed barley
- cereal disease forecasting
- surveyed North Dakota producers regarding needs
- support of emerging and alternative crops
- cropping systems and rotational studies
- integrated pest management systems
- irrigated high-value crop production

Livestock Subcommittee

- Beefline (long-term vision and goals for beef research and extension)
- Animal Nutrition and Physiology Center
- establishment of North American Bison Center
- Southwest Feeders project at Hettinger
- Carrington feedmill and feedlot project
- co-product feed research
- agricultural waste management
- ending the bison research program
- Nutrition and Pregnancy Center
- livestock production systems
- Dairy Diagnostic Team Program

Engagement Subcommittee

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- Extension rural leadership development program
- support for programs and technology for Extension Service to get research to producers
- State Soil Conservation Committee and SSCC Leadership and Environmental Law education and district grants

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Other areas SBARE has addressed include

- Langdon Learning Center
- Dickinson Research Extension Center
- recommendation for ending the fish farm program at Carrington Research Extension Center
- flexibility within the ag budget to respond to current issues
- improved communication between ag producers, NDSU faculty and administrators, and legislators

SBARE oversees the Agricultural Gas Tax Research Fund. This program has resulted in funding for approximately 225 research projects exploring new or niche ideas in agriculture since the first awards were made. Over 100 producers participate on committees in the ARF granting process.

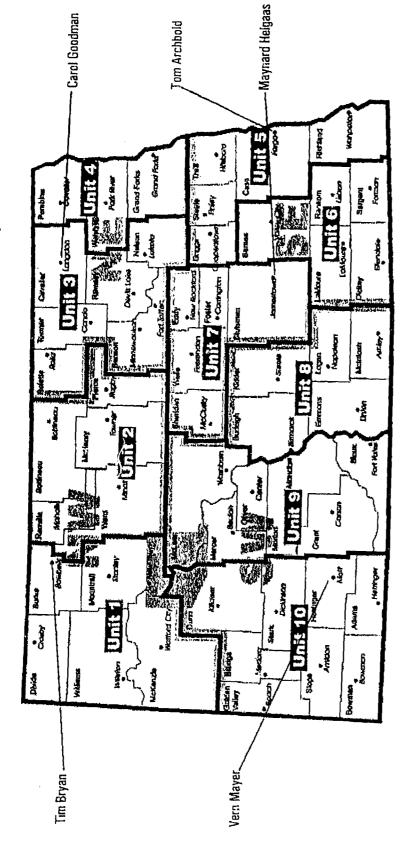
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Tim Bryan, Bowbells
Carol Goodman, Langdon
Maynard Helgaas, Jamestown
Vernon Mayer, Regent

Other Members

Sharon Anderson, Extension Service Joseph Chapman, NDSU President Ken Grafton, Experiment Station Patricia Jensen, NDSU VP Roger Johnson, Ag Commissioner Two legislators appointed by Legislative Council A. W. W.

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president and vice-president, judges of the supreme and distyiet courts, members of the legislative assembly and for amendments to the Constitution or proposition submitted by the legislative assembly: provided, that the County Auditor shall make a separate certified abstract of the votes east for persons for electors of president and vice-president of the United States. He shall seal up such separate abstract and endorse it: "Presidential Election Returns" and without delay transmit it to the Secretary of State by registered mail. It is also broader made the date of the Courty and without to hereby made the duty of the County Auditor to file with the Secretary of State, at the same time as he transmits the certified abstract of the votes east in his bounty, a certificate showing the names and addresses of the persons who were elected to the various county offices in his comply.

§ 2. AMENDMENT. | That Section 1015 of the Compiled Laws of 1913 be and is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 1015. STATE CANASSING BOARD, MEETING OF, For the purpose of entrussing and ascertaining the result of such election, the State Board of Canassers shall meet at the office of the Secretary of State on the first Tuesday in December next after a general election and within thirty days after a special election, and the Secretary of State shall notify the other members of the board of the same.

Approved, February 20, 1915.

EMERGENCY COMMISSION

CHAPTER 152.

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POWERB OF EMERGENCY COMMISSION.

AN ACT Relating to an Emergency Board, and to Repeal Sections 1821, 1823 and 1821 of the Compiled Laws of 1913.

Be II Enweled by the Legislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota;

§ 1. Emergency Commission. | An Emergency Commission consisting of the Governor, the Secretary of State, and the State Auditor is hereby established which shall exercise the powers and perform the duties hereinafter specified. The Governor shall be chairman of the board, and the Secretary of State the secretary, The Emergency Commission shall meet upon the call of the chairman thereof. The proceedings of the Emergency Commission shall be entered in a record book, or a minute book and no order of the Emergency Commission shall be valid unless so entered.

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§ 2. Whenever it shall be made to appear to the Emergency Commission by an itemized, verified petition of any hoard of control, board of regents, commission or officer authorized to expend public famils that an emergency exists, the Emergency Commission shall assume that an emergency exists demanding such action and may order money transferred from one fund to another fund belonging to or appropriated for the same institution or board or the same state enterprise, or in an extremity to authorize money to be drawn from the state trensary to meet the emergency until such time as the legislative assembly can make appropriation available therefor. An endorsement by the Emergency Commission of the itemized petition of a board of control, board of regents, commission or person beretofare mentioned shall be sufficient authority for the forming of any of the acts hereby delegated to the Emergency Commission: provided, however, the term emergency shall be limited to calomities or unforeseen happenings subsequent to the time of the making of appropriations to be effected by such transfer and which were clearly not within the contemplation of the legislative assembly and the Governor at the time of making such appropriation. And in no event shall it be within the authority of the Emergency Commission to increase the amounts to be expended for any specific purpose by more than ten per cent., and this shall only be done to meet a deficiency arising in an attempt to carry out the purpose of the appropriation.

§ 3. It shall be the duty of the chairman of any board of control, board of regents, or other board or officer, authorized by the Emergency Commission to make extraordinary expenditures or use of funds transferred or made available through an order of the Emergency Commission, to make an itemized report to the Governor under oath, within two weeks after the close of each month during which any money shall have been expended or liability incurred pursuant to the order of the Emergency Commission showing the amount of money expended and for what purpose and showing what contracts have been made involving the expenditure of money in the future. The time covered by such report shall be the calendar month next preceding the date of said report.

§ 4. It shall be unlawful for any board of control, board of regents, commissioners, directors or other officers having the control or management of any public institution or institutions of the state or any state activity or enterprise or having in any manner whatsoever the responsibility of dishursing or expending any money appropriated by the state, either directly or indirectly, or in any manner whatsoever to expend or agree or contract to expend in connection therewith any amount in excess of the sum appropriated therefor, or to use an amount appropriated for any specific purpose or fund or for any other purpose without first baving secured from the Emergency Commission an order duly made and entered, authorizing such use of such fund.

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§ 5. This Act shall not be construed as a legislative construction that any existing law gives to said Emergency Commission any broader or different powers than are herein declared. Provided, that all acts of the present and prior Emergency Commissions of this state authorizing the transference of money appropriated for one purpose to another purpose or from one fund to another fund are hereby validated and legalized.

§ 6. Any officers mentioned in this Act who shall fail to make the report specified in Section 3 of this Act or who shall in any report made to the Governor willfully make a misrepresentation or misstatement of the facts regarding such expenditures or other facts embedded in the report shall be guilty of a misdementor.

§ 7. Repeal. | Sections 1821, 1823 and 1824 of the Compiled Laws of 1913 are hereby repealed, and all other Acts or parts of Acts in conflict with the provisions of this Act are Lereby repealed. Approved, March 13, 1915.

EMINENT DOMAIN

CHAPTER 153.

[H. B. No. 298-Harddson.]

REGRET OF EMINENT DOMAIN TO ELECTRIC LIGHT PLANTS.

AN ACT to Amend and Resemet Section 8203 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for 1913, Relating to the Eminent Domain.

By it Engeted by the Logislative Assembly of the State of North Dakota:

§ 1. AMENDMENT.] That Section 8203 of the Compiled Laws of North Dakota for 1913, be and the same is hereby amended to read as follows:

§ 8203. Exercised for What Public Uses.] Subject to the provisions of this Chapter, the right of eminent domain may be exercised in behalf of the following public uses:

1. All public uses authorized by the government of the United

2. Public buildings and grounds for the use of the state and all other public uses authorized by the legislative assembly of this state.

3. Public buildings and grounds for the use of any county, incorporated city, village, town or school; canals, aquednets, flumes, ditches or pipes for conducting water for the use of the inhabitants of any county, incorporated city, village or town; or for draining any county, incorporated city, village or town; raising the banks of streams, removing obstructions therefrom and widening, deepening or straightening their channels; roads, streets and alleys

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