

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1067

Page 1, line 5, after "sections" insert "10-06-01.2,"

Page 2, after line 2, insert:

"SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 10-06-01.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

10-06-01.2. Surface coal mining - Exception. A corporation not engaged in the business of farming or ranching may own or lease lands used for farming or ranching, when the business of such a corporation is the conducting of surface coal mining operations or related energy conversion, ~~and~~ when the owning or leasing of lands used for farming or ranching is reasonably necessary in the conduct of the business of surface coal mining or related energy conversion, and when the lands used for farming or ranching are identified in the permit application under section 38-14.1-14 or the extended mining plan under section 38-14.1-15. When such necessity for owning or leasing of lands used for farming or ranching no longer exist or if the land are not identified in the permit application or the extended mining plan by August 1, 2003, for land owned or leased by the business before August 1, 2003, or within ten years from the date of ownership or lease for land acquired after July 31, 2003, this exception ceases and the corporation owning or leasing such lands shall thereafter be subject to this chapter."

Renumber accordingly