

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**House Bill No. 1009 - Department of Agriculture - Senate Action**

	<b>Executive Budget</b>	<b>House Version</b>	<b>Senate Changes</b>	<b>Senate Version</b>
Salaries and wages	\$8,586,426	\$8,130,102	\$656,479	\$8,786,581
Operating expenses	5,844,960	5,779,960	295,922	6,075,882
Capital assets	5,000	5,000		5,000
Grants	2,869,825	2,969,825	(50,000)	2,919,825
Board of Animal Health	2,378,325	2,378,325	175,000	2,553,325
Wildlife Services	1,067,400	1,067,400		1,067,400
Crop Harmonization Board	50,000	50,000		50,000
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>\$20,801,936</b>	<b>\$20,380,612</b>	<b>\$1,077,401</b>	<b>\$21,458,013</b>
Less estimated income	13,867,630	13,529,488	516,027	14,045,515
<b>General fund</b>	<b>\$6,934,306</b>	<b>\$6,851,124</b>	<b>\$561,374</b>	<b>\$7,412,498</b>
FTE	70.50	69.50	5.00	74.50

**Department No. 602 - Department of Agriculture - Detail of Senate Changes**

	<b>Restores Funding for Anticipated Salary Savings<sup>1</sup></b>	<b>Restores Salary Equity Funding<sup>2</sup></b>	<b>Restores New FTE Position<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Adds Meat Inspector Positions<sup>4</sup></b>	<b>Adds Field Inspector Position<sup>5</sup></b>	<b>Adds Pesticide Registration Position<sup>6</sup></b>
Salaries and wages	\$196,602	\$180,901	\$78,821	\$95,784		\$104,371
Operating expenses				57,000		30,000
Capital assets						
Grants						
Board of Animal Health					175,000	
Wildlife Services						
Crop Harmonization Board						
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>\$196,602</b>	<b>\$180,901</b>	<b>\$78,821</b>	<b>\$152,784</b>	<b>\$175,000</b>	<b>\$134,371</b>
Less estimated income	99,074	94,068	0	73,963	0	0
<b>General fund</b>	<b>\$97,528</b>	<b>\$86,833</b>	<b>\$78,821</b>	<b>\$78,821</b>	<b>\$175,000</b>	<b>\$134,371</b>
FTE	0.00	0.00	1.00	2.00	1.00	1.00

	<b>Restores Funding for Office Space Lease<sup>7</sup></b>	<b>Reduces Funding for the Dairy Coalition<sup>8</sup></b>	<b>Adds Funding for Project Safe Send<sup>9</sup></b>	<b>Adds Funding for Weed Free Certification<sup>10</sup></b>	<b>Restores Funding Source for Board of Animal Health<sup>11</sup></b>	<b>Total Senate Changes</b>
Salaries and wages						\$656,479
Operating expenses	120,000		40,000	48,922		295,922
Capital assets						
Grants		(50,000)				(50,000)
Board of Animal Health						175,000
Wildlife Services						
Crop Harmonization Board						
<b>Total all funds</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>	<b>(\$50,000)</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>	<b>\$48,922</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$1,077,401</b>
Less estimated income	0	0	0	48,922	200,000	516,027
<b>General fund</b>	<b>\$120,000</b>	<b>(\$50,000)</b>	<b>\$40,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>(\$200,000)</b>	<b>\$561,374</b>
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	5.00

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<sup>1</sup> This amendment restores funding for salaries and wages removed by the House to recognize anticipated savings from vacant positions and employee turnover.

<sup>2</sup> This amendment restores salary equity funding removed by the House.

<sup>3</sup> Funding removed by the House from the general fund for a new FTE meat inspector position is restored.

<sup>4</sup> This amendment provides funding from the general fund (\$78,821) and from federal funds (\$73,963) for two new FTE meat inspector positions (\$95,784) and related operating expenses (\$57,000) beginning July 1, 2010.

<sup>5</sup> This amendment provides a general fund appropriation of \$175,000 for a new FTE field inspector position (\$116,400) and related operating expenses (\$58,600) for the State Board of Animal Health.

<sup>6</sup> This amendment provides a general fund appropriation for a new FTE pesticide registration specialist position (\$104,371) and related operating expenses (\$30,000).

<sup>7</sup> Funding from the general fund removed by the House for the leasing of additional office space is restored. A section is also added to provide the Agriculture Commissioner with the discretion to use the funding to lease additional office space for department purposes.

<sup>8</sup> Funding for the Dairy Coalition is reduced by \$50,000 to provide total funding of \$200,000 from the general fund.

<sup>9</sup> This amendment adds \$40,000 of funding from the general fund for Project Safe Send to assist in flood-related pesticide cleanup activities.

<sup>10</sup> Operating expenses are increased by \$48,922 from the environment and rangeland protection fund for costs associated with the weed seed free certification program under 2009 House Bill No. 1270.

<sup>11</sup> This amendment restores the funding sources for the State Board of Animal Health that were changed by the House. Funding from the game and fish fund is increased by \$200,000 and funding from the general fund is reduced by \$200,000.

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This amendment also:

- Amends North Dakota Century Code Section 4-01-19 to provide that funding received from Pride of Dakota activities be deposited in the Agriculture Department operating fund rather than the general fund.
- Adds an emergency section for funds designated to be used for Project Safe Send flood activities.