

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 36-15 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to reimbursement for losses during official tuberculin testing of cattle;
3 and to provide an appropriation.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 36-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
6 and enacted as follows:

7 **Tuberculin testing of cattle - Reimbursement for loss.**

8 1. A cattle owner may file a claim with the state board of animal health seeking partial
9 reimbursement for the value of any cattle that died as a direct result of an official
10 tuberculin test approved by the United States department of agriculture animal and
11 plant health inspection service and conducted on the owner's herd by the state
12 veterinarian on or after July 1, 2011.

13 2. The board shall evaluate each claim in chronological order. If the board determines
14 that a claim is meritorious, the board shall provide reimbursement to the owner in an
15 amount not exceeding five hundred dollars per animal. A decision by the board
16 regarding the cattle's cause of death or the amount of reimbursement is final.

17 3. After expending all biennial appropriations for the provision of reimbursements under
18 this section, the board may not accept any additional claims.

19 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general
20 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$4,900, or so much of the sum
21 as may be necessary, to the state board of animal health for the purpose of providing
22 reimbursement for losses incurred as a result of official tuberculin testing of cattle, for the
23 biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013. Any moneys that remain

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- 1 unexpended under this section are not subject to cancellation in accordance with section
- 2 54-44.1-11.