

Sixty-second
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2017

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the game and fish
2 department; to provide legislative intent: to provide for a legislative management study; and to
3 declare an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the game and fish fund in the state
7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and
8 other income, to the game and fish department for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
9 that agency, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2011, and ending June 30, 2013, as follows:

		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>		<u>Appropriation</u>
12	Salaries and wages	\$21,580,287	\$2,438,741	\$24,019,028
13	Operating expenses	12,800,000	(275,507)	12,524,493
14	Capital assets	3,965,000	218,170	4,183,170
15	Grants	6,544,000	874,500	7,418,500
16	Land habitat and deer	11,080,162	974,524	12,054,686
17	<u>Capital assets</u>	<u>3,965,000</u>	<u>918,170</u>	<u>4,883,170</u>
18	<u>Grants</u>	<u>6,544,000</u>	<u>1,174,500</u>	<u>7,718,500</u>
19	<u>Land habitat and deer</u>	<u>11,080,162</u>	<u>1,824,524</u>	<u>12,904,686</u>
20	Noxious weed control	550,000	50,000	600,000
21	Missouri River enforcement	0	200,000	200,000
22	Grants, gifts, and donations	400,000	400,000	800,000
23	Nongame wildlife conservation	120,000	0	120,000
24	Lonetree reservoir	1,655,689	93,376	1,749,065

1	Wildlife services	768,800	100,000	868,800
2	Total special funds	\$59,463,938	\$5,073,804	\$64,537,742
3	Wildlife services	768,800	(368,800)	400,000
4	Total special funds	\$59,463,938	\$6,455,004	\$65,918,942
5	Full-time equivalent positions	157.00	0.00	157.00

6 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - 2009-11 BIENNIUM WILDLIFE SERVICES -**

7 **AGRICULTURE COMMISSIONER - LEGISLATIVE INTENT.** There is appropriated out of any
8 moneys in the game and fish fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of
9 \$200,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the game and fish department for the
10 purpose of providing funds to the agriculture commissioner for the payment of wildlife services,
11 for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2011. It is the
12 intent of the sixty-second legislative assembly that the funding provided in this section is from
13 the estimated savings to the game and fish department resulting from the reduction in property
14 tax liability resulting from provisions of Senate Bill No. 2199 approved by the sixty-first
15 legislative assembly.

16 **SECTION 3. GRANTS, GIFTS, AND DONATIONS LINE.** The grants, gifts, and donations
17 line item in section 1 of this Act includes up to \$400,000 received by the game and fish
18 department for surface damage, easements, or reclamation on department-owned or
19 department-managed properties as a result of mineral exploration and extraction activities.

20 **SECTION 4. MISSOURI RIVER ENFORCEMENT.** The Missouri River enforcement line
21 item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$200,000 for salaries and operating expenses of
22 department employees coordinating or performing Missouri River law enforcement activities and
23 for grants to local law enforcement agencies performing Missouri River law enforcement
24 activities. The department may not use any of the funds for the purchase of equipment with a
25 cost of \$3,000 or more.

26 **SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - WILDLIFE SERVICES.** During the
27 2011-12 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the cooperative agreement
28 between the agriculture commissioner and the United States department of agriculture wildlife
29 services program. The study, if conducted, must include a review of current program funding
30 sources and a review of wildlife damage control programs in other states. The legislative

1 management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation
2 required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-third legislative assembly.

3 **SECTION 6. EMERGENCY.** Funding of ~~\$100,000~~\$400,000 included in the grants line item
4 in section 1 of this Act for a grant to the parks and recreation department for costs associated
5 with the project to raise the elevation of the Grahams Island state park access road, funding of
6 \$850,000 included in the land habitat and deer line item in section 1 of this Act relating to
7 hunting access and deer depredation, and section 2 of this Act are declared to be an
8 emergency measure.