

Agriculture Commissioner - Budget No. 602
House Bill No. 1009
Base Level Funding Changes

	House Version				Senate Version				Senate Changes to House Version Increase (Decrease) - House Version			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2021-23 Biennium Base Level	78.00	\$10,700,429	\$28,322,406	\$39,022,835	78.00	\$10,700,429	\$28,322,406	\$39,022,835	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2021-23 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Salary increase		\$188,218	\$156,594	344,812		\$189,106	\$152,531	\$341,637		\$888	(\$4,063)	(\$3,175)
Health insurance increase		2,146	1,603	3,749		2,146	1,603	3,749				0
Adds funding for Microsoft Office 365 licenses		7,322	1,491	8,813		7,322	1,491	8,813				0
Transfers funding from the Department of Commerce for the North Dakota Trade Office		1,600,000		1,600,000		1,600,000		1,600,000				0
Adds funding for the noxious weeds grant program			50,000	50,000			50,000	50,000				0
Adds funding for 2019-21 biennium salary increase cost to continue		69,207	55,860	125,067		69,207	55,860	125,067				0
Adds funding for salary compression		369,866	332,634	702,500		369,866	332,634	702,500				0
Adds funding for 1 FTE grain inspector position	1.00	183,399		183,399	1.00	183,399		183,399				0
Adds funding for meat inspector salaries and operating expenses		106,458		106,458		106,458		106,458				0
Adds funding to reclassify a program coordinator to an attorney		68,279		68,279		68,279		68,279				0
Adds funding for the industrial hemp program			36,250	36,250			36,250	36,250				0
Adds funding for public warehouse and grain buyer license costs		43,500		43,500		43,500		43,500				0
Adds funding for the North Dakota Mediation Service program		120,000		120,000		120,000		120,000				0
Adds funding for the speciality crop block grant program			158,000	158,000			158,000	158,000				0
Removes funding for mitigation of environmental impact grants			(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)			(5,000,000)	(5,000,000)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	1.00	\$2,758,395	(\$4,207,568)	(\$1,449,173)	1.00	\$2,759,283	(\$4,211,631)	(\$1,452,348)	0.00	\$888	(\$4,063)	(\$3,175)
One-time funding items												
Adds funding for the Agricultural Products Utilization Commission			\$2,700,000	2,700,000			\$2,700,000	\$2,700,000				\$0
Adds funding for a soil health cover crop grant program			500,000	500,000			700,000	700,000			\$200,000	200,000
Adds funding for bioscience innovation grants		\$5,500,000		5,500,000		\$5,500,000		5,500,000				0
Adds funding for federal environmental law impact review costs		5,000,000		5,000,000		5,000,000		5,000,000				0
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$10,500,000	\$3,200,000	\$13,700,000	0.00	\$10,500,000	\$3,400,000	\$13,900,000	0.00	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	1.00	\$13,258,395	(\$1,007,568)	\$12,250,827	1.00	\$13,259,283	(\$811,631)	\$12,447,652	0.00	\$888	\$195,937	\$196,825
2021-23 Total Funding	79.00	\$23,958,824	\$27,314,838	\$51,273,662	79.00	\$23,959,712	\$27,510,775	\$51,470,487	0.00	\$888	\$195,937	\$196,825
Total ongoing changes as a percentage of base level	1.3%	25.8%	(14.9%)	(3.7%)	1.3%	25.8%	(14.9%)	(3.7%)				
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Appropriation - Transfer - General fund - Bioscience innovation grant fund - Bioscience innovation grant program - One-time funding	Section 3 appropriates \$5.5 million from the general fund and requires the Office of Management and Budget to transfer the funding to the bioscience innovation grant fund for the purpose of providing bioscience innovation grants during the 2021-23 biennium. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.	Section 3 appropriates \$5.5 million from the general fund and requires the Office of Management and Budget to transfer the funding to the bioscience innovation grant fund for the purpose of providing bioscience innovation grants during the 2021-23 biennium. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.

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Appropriation - Transfer - General fund - Federal environmental law impact review fund - One-time funding	Section 4 appropriates \$5 million from the general fund and requires the Office of Management and Budget to transfer the funding to the federal environmental law impact review fund for the purpose of defraying costs associated with federal environmental legislation or regulations which detrimentally impact or potentially detrimentally impact the state's agricultural, energy, or oil production sectors during the 2021-23 biennium. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.	Section 4 appropriates \$5 million from the general fund and requires the Office of Management and Budget to transfer the funding to the federal environmental law impact review fund for the purpose of defraying costs associated with federal environmental legislation or regulations which detrimentally impact or potentially detrimentally impact the state's agricultural, energy, or oil production sectors during the 2021-23 biennium. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.
Estimated income - Transfer - Bank of North Dakota profits - Agricultural Products Utilization Commission - One-time Funding	Section 5 identifies \$2.7 million in the estimated income line item, which the Bank of North Dakota is required to transfer from its current earnings and undivided profits to the Agriculture Commissioner for deposit in the Agricultural Products Utilization Commission fund for defraying the expenses of the Agricultural Products Utilization Commission during the 2021-23 biennium. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.	Section 5 identifies \$2.7 million in the estimated income line item, which the Bank of North Dakota is required to transfer from its current earnings and undivided profits to the Agriculture Commissioner for deposit in the Agricultural Products Utilization Commission fund for defraying the expenses of the Agricultural Products Utilization Commission during the 2021-23 biennium. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.
Estimated income - Transfer - Bank of North Dakota profits - Other funds - Soil health cover crop grant program - One-time funding	Section 6 identifies \$500,000 in the estimated income line item, of which the Bank of North Dakota is required to transfer \$300,000 from its current earnings and undivided profits and the Industrial Commission is required to transfer \$200,000 from the outdoor heritage fund to the Agriculture Commissioner for deposit in the Agriculture Commissioner's operating fund for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the soil health cover crop grant program during the 2021-23 biennium. The Agriculture Commissioner is required to establish guidelines for the use of grant funding provided for this program. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.	Section 6 identifies \$700,000 in the estimated income line item, of which the Bank of North Dakota is required to transfer \$300,000 from its current earnings and undivided profits to the Agriculture Commissioner for deposit in the Agriculture Commissioner's operating fund for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the soil health cover crop grant program during the 2021-23 biennium. The remaining \$400,000 is from the other income derived from federal and special funds the Agriculture Commissioner may receive during the biennium for the program. The Agriculture Commissioner is required to establish guidelines for the use of grant funding provided for this program. The funding is considered a one-time funding item.
Estimated income - Transfer - State Water Commission	Section 7 identifies \$125,000 in the estimated income line item, which the State Water Commission is required to transfer to the Agriculture Commissioner for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Wildlife Services program during the 2021-23 biennium.	Section 7 identifies \$125,000 in the estimated income line item, which the State Water Commission is required to transfer to the Agriculture Commissioner for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the Wildlife Services program during the 2021-23 biennium.
Transfer - Environment and rangeland protection fund	Section 8 requires the Agriculture Commissioner to transfer \$325,000 from the environment and rangeland protection fund to the minor use pesticide fund during the 2021-23 biennium.	Section 8 requires the Agriculture Commissioner to transfer \$325,000 from the environment and rangeland protection fund to the minor use pesticide fund during the 2021-23 biennium.
Environment and rangeland protection fund	Section 9 identifies \$6,900,301 in the estimated income line item in Section 1 is from the environment and rangeland protection fund.	Section 9 identifies \$6,899,395 in the estimated income line item in Section 1 is from the environment and rangeland protection fund.
Game and Fish Department operating fund	Section 10 identifies \$619,329 in the estimated income line item in Section 1 is from the Game and Fish Department operating fund for various Agriculture Commissioner programs.	Section 10 identifies \$619,329 in the estimated income line item in Section 1 is from the Game and Fish Department operating fund for various Agriculture Commissioner programs.

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North Dakota Trade Office - Matching fund requirement	Section 11 identifies \$1.6 million in the North Dakota Trade Office line item relates to the North Dakota Trade Office. The Agriculture Commissioner may spend 60 percent of this amount without requiring any matching funds from the North Dakota Trade Office. Any additional amounts may be spent only to the extent the North Dakota Trade Office provides \$1 of matching funds from private or other sources for each \$1 provided by the Agriculture Commissioner during the 2021-23 biennium. Matching funds may include money spent by businesses or organizations to pay salaries to export assistants, to provide training, and to buy computer equipment as part of the North Dakota Trade Office's export assistant program.	Section 11 identifies \$1.6 million in the North Dakota Trade Office line item relates to the North Dakota Trade Office. The Agriculture Commissioner may spend 60 percent of this amount without requiring any matching funds from the North Dakota Trade Office. Any additional amounts may be spent only to the extent the North Dakota Trade Office provides \$1 of matching funds from private or other sources for each \$1 provided by the Agriculture Commissioner during the 2021-23 biennium. Matching funds may include money spent by businesses or organizations to pay salaries to export assistants, to provide training, and to buy computer equipment as part of the North Dakota Trade Office's export assistant program.
Agriculture Commissioner salary	Section 12 provides the statutory changes necessary to increase the Agriculture Commissioner's salary. The Agriculture Commissioner's annual salary will increase from the current level of \$119,757 to \$121,553 effective July 1, 2021, and to \$123,376 effective July 1, 2022, to reflect annual increases of 1.5 percent each year.	Section 12 provides the statutory changes necessary to increase the Agriculture Commissioner's salary. The Agriculture Commissioner's annual salary will increase from the current level of \$119,757 to \$121,553 effective July 1, 2021, and to \$123,984 effective July 1, 2022, to reflect annual salary increases of 1.5 percent and 2 percent.
Pipeline restoration and reclamation - Exempt records	Section 13 amends Section 4.1-01-17 to exempt the names of surface owners and surface tenants who receive assistance from the pipeline restoration and reclamation program from open records request laws.	Section 13 amends Section 4.1-01-17 to exempt the names of surface owners and surface tenants who receive assistance from the pipeline restoration and reclamation program from open records request laws.
Attorney position authorization		Section 14 amends Section 54-12-08 to add the Agriculture Commissioner to the list of agencies allowed to employ an attorney position.
Pipeline restoration and reclamation - Estimated income	Section 14 identifies \$200,000 in the estimated income line item in Section 1 is from the abandoned oil and gas well plugging and site reclamation fund for the pipeline restoration and reclamation program.	Section 15 identifies \$200,000 in the estimated income line item in Section 1 is from the abandoned oil and gas well plugging and site reclamation fund for the pipeline restoration and reclamation program.
Amendment - 2019 Session Laws - Waterbank program - 2019-21 biennium	Section 15 amends Section 7 of Chapter 34 of the 2019 Session Laws to allow the Agriculture Commissioner to use "up to" \$50,000 of the 2019-21 biennium salaries and wages line item as matching funds for the North Dakota outdoor heritage fund grant for the waterbank program.	Section 16 amends Section 7 of Chapter 34 of the 2019 Session Laws to allow the Agriculture Commissioner to use "up to" \$50,000 of the 2019-21 biennium salaries and wages line item as matching funds for the North Dakota outdoor heritage fund grant for the waterbank program.
Waterbank program - 2021-23 biennium	Section 16 identifies of the amount appropriated in the salary and wages line item in Section 1, the Agriculture Commissioner may use up to \$50,000 from the general fund for matching funds for the North Dakota outdoor heritage fund grant provided for the waterbank program.	Section 17 identifies of the amount appropriated in the salary and wages line item in Section 1, the Agriculture Commissioner may use up to \$50,000 from the general fund for matching funds for the North Dakota outdoor heritage fund grant provided for the waterbank program.
Legislative Management study - North Dakota Beef Commission	Section 17 provides for a Legislative Management study of the North Dakota Beef Commission, including its operations and the selection of commission members.	Section 18 provides for a Legislative Management study of the North Dakota Beef Commission, including its operations and the selection of commission members.