

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the game and fish  
2 department.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
5 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the game and fish fund in the state  
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
7 other income, to the game and fish department for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the  
8 game and fish department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025,  
9 as follows:

		Governor's		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
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12	Salaries and wages	\$33,741,592	\$39,451,831	\$33,741,592
13	Operating expenses	16,276,782	17,938,837	16,276,782
14	Capital assets	6,774,770	8,566,661	6,774,770
15	Grants - game and fish	8,923,343	10,089,976	8,923,343
16	Land habitat and deer depredation	17,995,597	26,957,955	17,995,597
17	Noxious weed control	725,000	725,000	725,000
18	Missouri River enforcement	296,999	319,269	296,999
19	Grants, gifts, and donations	670,133	688,045	670,133
20	Nongame wildlife conservation	100,000	100,000	100,000
21	Lonetree reservoir	1,818,409	2,198,414	1,818,409
22	Wildlife services	500,000	500,000	500,000
23	Shooting sports grant program	250,000	250,000	250,000
24	Aquatic nuisance species program	<u>1,509,009</u>	<u>2,968,613</u>	<u>1,509,009</u>

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1	Total special funds	\$89,581,634	\$110,754,601	\$89,581,634
2	Full-time equivalent positions	164.00	172.00	164.00

3       **SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding  
4 items approved by the sixty-seventh legislative assembly for the 2021-23 biennium:

5	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2021-23</u>	<u>2023-25</u>
6	Additional PLOTS payments	\$1,485,000	\$0
7	Red River basin wildlife and water quality program	500,000	0
8	State radio equipment	<u>801,500</u>	<u>0</u>
9	Total special funds	\$2,786,500	\$0

10       **SECTION 3. GRANTS, GIFTS, AND DONATIONS LINE ITEM.** The grants, gifts, and  
11 donations line item in section 1 of this Act includes up to \$100,000 received by the game and  
12 fish department for surface damage, easements, or reclamation on department-owned or  
13 managed properties as a result of mineral exploration and extraction activities.