# Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023

HOUSE BILL NO. 1153

(Representatives Brandenburg, Grueneich, Headland, D. Johnson, Kempenich, Mitskog, Nelson, Weisz)

(Senators Erbele, Klein, Wanzek, Weber)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 4.1-04-08 and 4.1-04-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duties and powers of the corn council; and to declare an emergency.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 4.1-04-08 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

#### 4.1-04-08. Council - Powers.

The council may:

- 1. Expend moneys collected pursuant to this chapter for its administration;
- 2. Employ, bond, and compensate necessary personnel;
- 3. Accept gifts, grants, and donations of money, property, and services to carry out this chapter;
- 4. Contract with any person for any purpose related to this chapter, including research, education, publicity, promotion, and transportation;
- 5. <u>Establish a grant program and guidelines to provide funding to corn-related programs and organizations that benefit North Dakota corn producers, consistent with this chapter;</u>
- 6. Sue and be sued; and
- 6.7. Do all things necessary and proper to enforce and administer this chapter.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 4.1-04-09 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

## 4.1-04-09. Council - Duties.

- 1. The council shall determine the uses for which any moneys raised under this chapter may be expended. The uses may include the funding of research, education programs, <u>corn policy development</u>, <u>promotion</u>, and market development efforts, as well as participation in programs under the auspices of other state, regional, national, and international promotion groups.
- 2. The council shall develop and disseminate information regarding the purpose of the corn assessment and ways in which the assessment benefits corn producers.
- 3. The council shall hold two public input meetings per year with organizations dedicated to serving North Dakota corn producers to discuss recommendations for the use of moneys received under this chapter.

**SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

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