

Legislative Council

Agriculture Commissioner - Budget No. 602  
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1009

	House Version				Senate Version				Senate Compared to House Version			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Increase (Decrease)			
									FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level												
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes	80.00	\$14,820,933	\$27,117,306	\$41,938,239	80.00	\$14,820,933	\$27,117,306	\$41,938,239	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Base payroll changes		\$203,651	(\$228,654)	(\$25,003)		\$203,651	(\$228,654)	(\$25,003)				\$0
Health insurance increase		380,240	263,409	643,649		383,276	266,444	649,720	\$3,036	\$3,035	6,071	\$0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		268,677	211,746	480,423		271,679	214,749	486,428	3,002	3,003	6,005	\$0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		214,930		214,930		214,930		214,930				\$0
Removes funding for the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool		393,797	268,273	662,070		393,797	268,273	662,070				\$0
		(146,988)	(104,860)	(251,848)		(156,256)	(114,129)	(270,385)	(9,268)	(9,269)	(18,537)	\$0
Adjusts base level funding for temporary salaries		(203,625)	1,024	(202,601)		(203,625)	1,024	(202,601)				\$0
Adds funding for an FTE plant protection position				0	1.00	107,344	107,344	214,688	107,344	107,344	214,688	\$0
Adjusts base level funding for travel		(1,100)	218,808	217,708		(1,100)	218,808	217,708	(250,000)			\$0
Adds funding for state fleet rate increases		750,000		750,000		500,000		500,000				\$0
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		(322,996)	625,775	302,779		(322,996)	625,775	302,779				\$0
Adds funding for operating expenses		26,200		26,200		26,200		26,200				\$0
Reduces funding for the postproduction royalty oversight program			(200,000)	(200,000)			(200,000)	(200,000)				\$0
Moves pipeline and royalty oversight programs to a new line item				0				0				\$0
Adjusts base level funding for capital assets			4,100	4,100			4,100	4,100				\$0
Adds base level funding for the specialty crop block grant program			1,968,500	1,968,500			1,968,500	1,968,500				\$0
Adds funding for the noxious weed program			366,900	366,900			366,900	366,900				\$0
Removes funding for the grape and wine grant program		(80,000)		(80,000)		0		0	80,000			\$0
Adjusts base level funding for grants			5,900	5,900			5,900	5,900				\$0
Adds funding for the APUC program				0			3,000,000	3,000,000		3,000,000	3,000,000	\$0
Adjusts base level funding for the board of animal health		(8,357)		(8,357)		(8,357)		(8,357)				\$0
Adds base level funding for COVID-19 specialty crop block grants				0				0				\$0
Adds funding for the North Dakota trade office				0		400,000		400,000	400,000			\$0
Adds funding for aerial contract services for the Wildlife Services program				0			150,000	150,000		150,000	150,000	\$0
Total ongoing funding changes	0.00	\$1,474,429	\$3,400,921	\$4,875,350	1.00	\$1,808,543	\$6,655,034	\$8,463,577	1.00	\$334,114	\$3,254,113	\$3,588,227
One-Time Funding Items												
Bioscience innovation grant program				\$0				\$0				\$0
Livestock planning program				0				0				\$0
Grasslands grazing grants			\$3,000,000	3,000,000			\$3,000,000	3,000,000				\$0
APUC program			3,000,000	3,000,000			0	0				\$0
North Dakota trade office		\$400,000		400,000		\$0		0	(\$400,000)		(\$3,000,000)	(3,000,000)
Adds funding for food distribution grants for meat and protein				0			2,000,000	2,000,000		2,000,000	2,000,000	\$0







Other Sections in Agriculture Commissioner - Budget No. 602

Section Description		House Version	Senate Version	
North Dakota Trade Office - Matching funds requirement		Section 11 identifies \$2 million of the funding appropriated in Section 1 is from the general fund for 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. Additional amounts may be spent only to the extent that the North Dakota Trade Office provides \$1 of matching funds from private or other public sources for every \$1 provided by the department. 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 assistance program.	Section 13 identifies \$2 million of the funding appropriated in Section 1 is from the general fund for 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. Additional amounts may be spent only to the extent that the North Dakota Trade Office provides \$1 of matching funds from private or other public sources for every \$1 provided by the department. 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 assistance program.	
Waterbank program - Matching funds		Section 12 identifies of the amount appropriated in the salary and wages line item, 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 14 identifies of the amount appropriated in the salary and wages line item, 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.	
Agriculture Commissioner salary		Section 13 amends Section 4.1-01-02 to increase the salary of the Agriculture Commissioner from \$136,680 to \$140,780 (3 percent) effective July 1, 2025, and to \$145,003 (3 percent) effective July 1, 2026.	Section 15 amends Section 4.1-01-02 to increase the salary of the Agriculture Commissioner from \$136,680 to \$140,780 (3 percent) effective July 1, 2025, and to \$145,003 (3 percent) effective July 1, 2026.	
Wildlife Services Program - Indirect Costs			Section 16 provides the funding appropriated in the wildlife services line item may not be used to pay indirect costs as part of the United States Department of Agriculture Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service Wildlife Services program.	
Exemption - COVID-19 specialty crop block grant program		Subsection 1 of section 14 provides an exemption to continue \$300,000 appropriated for the 2019-21 biennium and continued into the 2021-23 and 2023-25 bienniums for the COVID-19 specialty crop block grant program into the 2025-27 biennium. The 2021 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$5 million for the program.	Subsection 1 of section 17 provides an exemption to continue \$300,000 appropriated for the 2019-21 biennium and continued into the 2021-23 and 2023-25 bienniums for the COVID-19 specialty crop block grant program into the 2025-27 biennium. The 2021 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$5 million for the program.	
Exemptions - Grasslands grazing grants			Subsections 2 and 4 of section 17 provide exemptions to continue \$5 million appropriated for the 2021-23 biennium and \$1 million appropriated for the 2023-25 biennium for the grasslands grazing grants program into the 2025-27 biennium. The 2023 Legislative Assembly appropriated \$1 million for the program.	
Exemption - Livestock planning program		Subsection 2 of section 14 provides an exemption to continue \$660,000 in unexpended 2023-25 biennium funds for the regional livestock development and planning program into the 2025-27 biennium. A total of \$1.2 million was appropriated from the environment and rangeland protection fund for this purpose for the 2023-25 biennium.	Subsection 3 of section 17 provides an exemption to continue \$660,000 in unexpended 2023-25 biennium funds for the regional livestock development and planning program into the 2025-27 biennium. A total of \$1.2 million was appropriated from the environment and rangeland protection fund for this purpose for the 2023-25 biennium.	

