

**2025 HOUSE AGRICULTURE**

**HB 1084**

# 2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Agriculture Committee Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1084  
1/9/2025

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 4.1-19-03 and 4.1-19-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the management of eggs and poultry in the state; and to repeal section 4.1-19-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to licensing requirements for buyers, sellers, and producers of eggs and poultry.

10:37 a.m. Chairman Beltz called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Beltz, Vice Chairman Hauck, Representatives Anderson, Dobervich, Henderson, Holle, Hoverson, Kiefert, Nehring, Olson, Rios, Schreiber-Beck, Tveit, Vollmer

### Discussion Topics:

- Grading services
- Industry changes
- Eliminate regulation

10:37 a.m. Nathan Kroh, Dairy Coordinator, ND Department of Agriculture, testified in favor and submitted testimony #28257.

10:39 a.m. Representative Schreiber-Beck moved a Do Pass.

10:39 a.m. Representative Rios seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Mike Beltz	Y
Representative Dori Hauck	Y
Representative Karen A. Anderson	Y
Representative Gretchen Dobervich	Y
Representative Donna Henderson	Y
Representative Dawson Holle	Y
Representative Jeff Hoverson	Y
Representative Dwight Kiefert	Y
Representative Dennis Nehring	Y
Representative SuAnn Olson	Y
Representative Nico Rios	Y
Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck	Y
Representative Bill Tveit	Y
Representative Daniel R. Vollmer	Y

Motion passed 14-0-0.

10:41 a.m. Representative Dobervich moved to place on Consent Calendar.

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10:44 a.m. Voice vote. Motion failed.

Representative Nehring will carry the bill.

10:44 a.m. Chairman Beltz adjourned the meeting.

*Diane Lillis, Committee Clerk*

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
**HB 1084 ([25.8118.01000](#))**

**Agriculture Committee (Rep. Beltz, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING), and be placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

COMMISSIONER  
DOUG GOEHRING



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**Testimony of Nathan Kroh  
Dairy Coordinator  
House Bill 1084  
House Agriculture Committee  
Room J-Wing 327C  
January 9, 2025**

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Chairman Beltz and members of the Senate Agriculture Committee, I am Nathan Kroh, the Dairy Coordinator for the North Dakota Department of Agriculture (NDDA) here on behalf of Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring. I am here in support of the House Bill 1084, relating to the egg and poultry statute updates.

This bill was submitted to help clean up the century code and eliminate regulation that has outlived its usefulness. There is no need to mandate that we cooperate with USDA to provide a fee-for-service grading program on behalf of the USDA-Agricultural Marketing Service. At this time, there are no federal or state poultry processors in North Dakota eligible to apply for grading services. The poultry industry has change significantly since this statute was enacted. The commercial poultry operations are contracted and will not benefit from the licensing and bonding requirements and the very small operations operate as custom or low volume, so licensing and bonding is impractical. The bill is intended to eliminate useless regulation.

Thank you for your consideration on House Bill 1084 and I am happy to answer your questions.

**2025 SENATE AGRICULTURE AND VETERANS AFFAIRS**

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# 2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Agriculture and Veterans Affairs Committee

Fort Union Room, State Capitol

HB 1084  
2/13/2025

A bill relating to the management of eggs and poultry in the state; and relating to licensing requirements for buyers, sellers, and producers of eggs and poultry.

2:30 p.m. Chairman Luick called the meeting to order.

Members present: Chairman Luick, Vice-Chair Myrdal, Senator Marcellais, Senator Weston, Senator Weber, Senator Lemm

### Discussion Topics:

- Seller and hatcher fees
- Bonding and licensing requirements
- Poultry grading

2:31 p.m. Nathan Kroh, Dairy Coordinator of the ND Department of Agriculture, testified in favor and submitted testimony #37467.

2:34 p.m. Chairman Luick closed the hearing.

2:35 p.m. Senator Weber moved a Do Pass.

2:35 p.m. Senator Lemm seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Larry Luick	Y
Senator Janne Myrdal	Y
Senator Randy D. Lemm	Y
Senator Richard Marcellais	Y
Senator Mark F. Weber	Y
Senator Kent Weston	Y

Motion passed 6-0-0.

Senator Weber will carry the bill.

*Audrey Oswald, Committee Clerk*

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**  
**HB 1084 ([25.8118.01000](#))**

**Agriculture and Veterans Affairs Committee (Sen. Luick, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1084 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.



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**Testimony of Nathan Kroh**  
**Dairy Coordinator**  
**House Bill 1084**  
**Senate Agriculture and Veterans Affairs**  
**Fort Union Room**  
**February 13, 2025**

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Chairman Luick and members of the committee, I am Nathan Kroh, the Dairy Coordinator here on behalf of Agriculture Commissioner Doug Goehring. I am here in support of the House Bill 1084, relating to the egg and poultry statute updates.

This bill was submitted to help clean up the century code and eliminate regulation that has outlived its usefulness. There is no need to mandate that we cooperate with USDA to provide a fee-for-service grading program on behalf of the USDA-Agricultural Marketing Service. Currently, there are no federal or state poultry processors in North Dakota eligible to apply for grading services. The poultry industry has change significantly since this statute was enacted. The commercial poultry operations are contracted and will not benefit from the licensing and bonding requirements and the very small operations operate as custom or low volume, so licensing and bonding is impractical. The bill is intended to eliminate useless regulation.

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