

Sixty-eighth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1153

Introduced by

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

Senators Erbele, Klein, Wanzek, Weber

1 A BILL ~~for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4.1-04 of the North Dakota~~
2 ~~Century Code, relating to corn council contract services.~~ for an Act to amend and reenact
3 sections 4.1-04-08 and 4.1-04-09 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the duties and
4 powers of the corn council; and to declare an emergency.

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

6 ~~— **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 4.1-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is created~~
7 ~~and enacted as follows:~~

8 ~~— **Contract services.**~~

9 ~~— The council shall contract with an organization dedicated to serving North Dakota corn~~
10 ~~producers and improving farm and corn regulatory policy for assistance with corn policy~~
11 ~~development, corn grower education, and other corn-related programs and services that benefit~~
12 ~~North Dakota corn producers at an amount equal to at least fifty percent of moneys deposited in~~
13 ~~the corn fund each year.~~

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

16 **4.1-04-08. Council - Powers.**

17 The council may:

- 18 1. Expend moneys collected pursuant to this chapter for its administration;
- 19 2. Employ, bond, and compensate necessary personnel;
- 20 3. Accept gifts, grants, and donations of money, property, and services to carry out this
- 21 chapter;
- 22 4. Contract with any person for any purpose related to this chapter, including research,
- 23 education, publicity, promotion, and transportation;

1 5. Establish a grant program and guidelines to provide funding to corn-related programs
2 and organizations that benefit North Dakota corn producers, consistent with this
3 chapter;

4 6. Sue and be sued; and

5 ~~6-7.~~ Do all things necessary and proper to enforce and administer this chapter.

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

8 **4.1-04-09. Council - Duties.**

9 1. The council shall determine the uses for which any moneys raised under this chapter
10 may be expended. The uses may include the funding of research, education
11 programs, corn policy development, promotion, and market development efforts, as
12 well as participation in programs under the auspices of other state, regional, national,
13 and international promotion groups.

14 2. The council shall develop and disseminate information regarding the purpose of the
15 corn assessment and ways in which the assessment benefits corn producers.

16 3. The council shall hold two public input meetings per year with organizations dedicated
17 to serving North Dakota corn producers to discuss recommendations for the use of
18 moneys received under this chapter.

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