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Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

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1 A BILL for an Act

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

3 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 15-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
4 and enacted as follows:

5 **4-14.2-01. Northern crops institute - Establishment -- Director Northern crops council -**
6 **Powers and duties - Gifts and grants - Continuing appropriation.**

7 1. A The northern crops institute is ~~established to be~~ administered by and in conjunction
8 with North Dakota state university.

9 2. ~~a.~~ a. A ~~director must be appointed by the~~ The northern crops council, in consultation
10 with the president of North Dakota state university, shall appoint the director of
11 the northern crops institute and may remove the director for cause. The director
12 shall manage the institute, hire and compensate necessary personnel within the
13 limits of legislative appropriations, prepare a biennial budget, and serve as
14 executive secretary to the northern crops council. The council shall fix the salary
15 of the director, within the limits of legislative appropriations, ~~and may remove the~~
16 ~~director for cause~~ in consultation with the president of North Dakota state
17 university.

18 3. ~~b.~~ b. ~~The council shall provide the~~ The president of North Dakota state university with
19 ~~an opportunity to~~ may participate in the hiring of a director for the institute,
20 including serving on search committees, advertising, and interviewing
21 candidates, and negotiating with ~~potential~~ candidates.

22 4. c. Funds appropriated to the northern crops institute may not be commingled with
23 funds appropriated to North Dakota state university. Appropriation requests ~~to~~

1 defray expenses of the northern crops institute must be separate from
2 appropriation requests to defray expenses of North Dakota state university.

3 **~~4-14.2-02. Northern crops council – Duties – Chairman – Meetings.~~**

4 2. The northern crops council shall establish policies for the operation of the northern
5 crops institute.

6 1. a. The council consists of:

7 a. (1) The agriculture commissioner or the commissioner's designee;

8 b. (2) The president of North Dakota state university of agriculture and applied
9 science or the president's designee;

10 e. (3) The president and general manager of the North Dakota mill and elevator
11 association;

12 d. (4) An individual selected by the North Dakota barley council;

13 e. (5) An individual selected by the North Dakota oilseed council;

14 f. (6) An individual selected by the North Dakota soybean council;

15 g. (7) An individual selected by the North Dakota wheat commission;

16 h. (8) No fewer than five nor more than seven individuals who produce northern
17 crops, selected by the members referenced in ~~subdivisions a through~~
18 paragraphs 1 through 7; and

19 i. (9) No more than four representatives of industries that process northern crops,
20 selected by the members designated in ~~subdivisions a through~~
21 paragraphs 1 through 7.

22 2. ~~a.b.~~ The term of office for each member of the council referenced in ~~subdivisions d-~~
23 ~~through i of subsection 1~~paragraphs 4 through 9 of subdivision a is three years,
24 and those members are limited to two 3-year terms.

25 b. Each term of office begins with the first ~~reorganizational~~ meeting after the ~~date of~~
26 the member's appointment.

27 3. c. Annually, the council members shall select one of the individuals referenced in
28 ~~subdivisions d through i of subsection 1~~paragraphs 4 through 9 of subdivision a
29 to serve as the chairman.

1 **~~4-14.2-04. Gifts and grants.~~**

2 4. In order to carry out its duties under this chapter, ~~the~~The northern crops institute may
3 contract for and accept private contributions, gifts, and grants-in-aid from the federal
4 government, private industry, and other sources. ~~Additional income~~Such funds must
5 be spent for ~~the purpose~~any purposes designated, ~~if any,~~ in the gift, grant, or donation
6 and are appropriated on a continuing basis to the northern crops institute for those
7 purposes.