

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the agriculture  
2 commissioner; and to provide for a transfer.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
5 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
7 other income, to the agriculture commissioner for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the  
8 agriculture commissioner, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

		Governor's		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Recommendation</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
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11	Salaries and wages	\$14,232,746	\$14,235,822	\$14,232,746
12	Operating expenses	6,592,780	7,748,840	6,592,780
13	Capital assets	15,000	15,000	15,000
14	Grants	8,823,774	8,576,774	8,823,774
15	Environmental impact mitigation	5,000,000	4,900,000	5,000,000
16	Agricultural products utilization	1,760,417	1,760,417	1,760,417
17	commission			
18	Board of animal health	865,718	787,718	865,718
19	Wildlife services	1,457,400	1,457,400	1,457,400
20	Pipeline restoration and reclamation	200,000	200,000	200,000
21	oversight program			
22	Crop harmonization board	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>	<u>75,000</u>
23	Total all funds	\$39,022,835	\$39,756,971	\$39,022,835
24	Less estimated income	<u>28,322,406</u>	<u>28,689,324</u>	<u>28,322,406</u>

1	Total general fund	\$10,700,429	\$11,067,647	\$10,700,429
2	Full-time equivalent positions	78.00	78.00	78.00

3       **SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding  
4 items approved by the sixty-sixth legislative assembly for the 2019-21 biennium:

5	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2019-21</u>	<u>2021-23</u>
6	Master customer database	\$110,000	\$0
7	Grain insolvency litigation	100,000	0
8	Agricultural products utilization commission	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>0</u>
9	Total all funds	\$2,210,000	\$0
10	Less estimated income	<u>2,000,000</u>	<u>0</u>
11	Total general fund	\$210,000	\$0

12       **SECTION 3. TRANSFER - ENVIRONMENT AND RANGELAND PROTECTION FUND -**  
13 **MINOR USE PESTICIDE FUND.** The agriculture commissioner shall transfer \$325,000 from the  
14 environment and rangeland protection fund to the minor use pesticide fund during the biennium  
15 beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

16       **SECTION 4. ESTIMATED INCOME - STATE WATER COMMISSION - TRANSFER.** The  
17 estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$125,000 which the state  
18 water commission shall transfer to the agriculture commissioner for the purpose of defraying the  
19 expenses of the wildlife services program.

20       **SECTION 5. WATERBANK PROGRAM - MATCHING FUNDS.** The salaries and wages line  
21 item in section 1 of this Act includes \$50,000 from the general fund for matching funds for the  
22 North Dakota outdoor heritage fund grant provided for the waterbank program.

23       **SECTION 6. ESTIMATED INCOME - ENVIRONMENT AND RANGELAND PROTECTION**  
24 **FUND.** The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$6,725,799  
25 from the environment and rangeland protection fund for the purpose of defraying the expenses  
26 of various agriculture commissioner programs.

27       **SECTION 7. ESTIMATED INCOME - GAME AND FISH FUND.** The estimated income line  
28 item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$614,430 from the game and fish department  
29 operating fund for the purpose of defraying the expenses of various agriculture commissioner  
30 programs.

1       **SECTION 8. ESTIMATED INCOME - PIPELINE RESTORATION AND RECLAMATION.**

2       The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$200,000 from the  
3       abandoned oil and gas well plugging and site reclamation fund for the purpose of defraying the  
4       expenses of the pipeline restoration and reclamation program.