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HB 1164

**2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES**

HB 1164

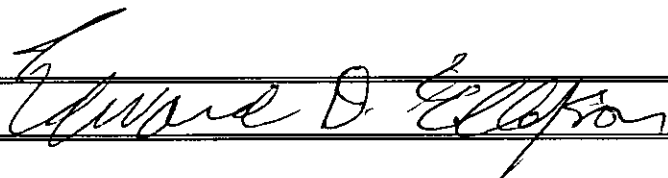
House Agriculture Committee

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2-8-07

Recorder Job Number 3171

Committee Clerk Signature



Minutes:

**CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: COMMITTEE MEMBERS, WE WILL OPEN THE HEARING ON HB 1164. THE CLERK WILL READ THE TITLE PLEASE.**

**CLERK: HB 1164 IS RELATING TO MEMBERSHIP IN THE NORTHERN CROP COUNCIL.**

**CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: REPRESENTATIVE KINGSBURY:**

**REPRESENTATIVE KINGSBURY: MR. CHAIRMAN AND MEMBERS OF THE AGRICULTURE COMMITTEE. HOUSE BILL 1164 CHANGES VERY LITTLE. IN CODE OF THE NORTHERN CROUP COUNCIL. THIS BILL COMING TO US BECAUSE OF GROWTH IN AGRICULTURE IN ND. IT INCREASES THE NUMBER OF PRODUCERS OF NORTHERN CROP AS MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL. SOME FOUR TO FIVE TO FIVE TO SEVEN MEMBERS. AND AS THE FOUR REPRESENTATIVES OF INDUSTRY THAT PROCESS NORTHERN CROPS. NORTHERN CROP REPRESENTATIVES ARE HERE TO FURTHER EXPLAIN THE REQUEST AND WITH THAT I WILL TURN IT OVER TO THEM.**

**CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: THANK YOU REPRESENTATIVE KINGSBURY.**

**OTHERS TO OFFER SUPPORT FOR HB 1164.**

**EDWARD LORAAS**

**IT IS GOOD TO BE HERE THIS MORNING. I AM ON THE BOARD OF THE NORTHERN CROP INSTITUTE OVER A FARGO. I REPRESENT THE DURAM GROWERS ON THE NORTHERN CROP INSTITUTE BOARD. THE NORTHERN CROP INSTITUTE WAS ESTABLISHED WHEN SMALL GRAINS WERE THE MAJOR ND CROPS.**

**(PRINTED TESTIMONY ATTACHED)**

**REPRESENTATIVE ONSTAD: ANY REASON THAT YOU SAY, FIVE TO SEVEN AND UP TO FOUR. ANY REASON WHY WE DIDN'T JUST SAY SEVEN PRODUCERS DOES THIS MAKE IT MORE DEFINITE?**

**ED: THE WAY IT WAS WRITTEN, THERE WAS A LEWAY THAT WENT FROM FOUR TO FIVE. IT HAS BEEN FIVE, BUT WE JUST WISH TO GO TO SEVEN.**

**CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: OTHER QUESTIONS? THANKS, ED**

**DAN WILSON: I AM FROM LISBON, ND I ALSO SERVE ON NCI BOARD AS A COUNCIL MEMBER, I STAND IN SUPPORT FOR HB 1164. JUST RECENTLY WE HAD A NEW VISION FOR THE FUTURE OF THE NCI WHICH WILL BE DEALING WITH THE COMMODITIES AND BY PRODUCTS THAT COME OUT THESE ETHANOL PLANTS, BIO DIESEL PLANTS, AND WE DON'T HAVE REPRESENTATION ON OUR BOARD THAT WE WOULD NEED TO HELP ADDRESS THESE ISSUES.**

**WE NEED TO FIND A USE FOR THE BY PRODUCTS OF ETHANOL, BIODIESEL. THE RAILROADS WILL NOT SHIP IT. WE ARE LOOKING AT WAYS TO MAKE IT EASIER IN HANDLING SO IT CAN BE USED IN OTHER STATES AND CANADA AND THE WEST COAST. WE WANT TO BE ON THE LEADING EDGE OF THAT. THE WHOLE COUNTRY HAS THE NEED NOW, NOT JUST ND. ALSO THE RICHARDTON PLANT, THEY WOULD**

BE ON OUR BOARD BECAUSE THEY WORK WITH BY PRODUCTS. FOR THESE REASONS WE NEED THE EXTRA INPUT, AS YOU ALL KNOW NCI IS WELL RESPECTED IN THE UPPER MID WEST IN THE STATES THAT SUPPORT IT.

CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: ANY QUESTIONS COMMITTEE?

DAN WOGSLAND: EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF THE NORTH DAKOTA GRAIN GROWERS ASSOCIATION. WE APPEAR HERE TODAY IN SUPPORT OF HB 1164 (TESTIMONY ATTACHED)

CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: QUESTIONS? OTHERS TO OFFER SUPPORT FOR 1164. A SPEAKER FOR THE ND DURAM ASSOCIATIO: USDA SUPPORTS THE NCI BOARD BECAUSE WE FEEL THAT PARTICIPATION OF OTHER COMMODITY GROUPS ONE WILL HAVE OPPORTUNITIES AND EXPANSION. WE SUPPORT THE BILL

CHAIRMAN JOHNSON: OTHER TO OFFER SUPPORT?

ANY OPPOSITION TO 1164? WE WILL CLOSE THE HEARING ON HB 1164.

A vote was taken on HB 1164

Rep Belter made a Do Pass motion

Rep Boe Seconded the motion

(Yes) 13 (No) 0 (Absent) 0

Carrier: Vice Chair, Kingsbury

Date: 2/8/07  
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2007 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO.

House Agriculture Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number HB 1164

Action Taken No Pass

Motion Made By Rep Belter Seconded By Rep Boe

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Dennis Johnson	✓		Tracy Boe	✓	
Vice Chair Joyce Kingsbury	✓		Rodney Froelich	✓	
Wesley Belter	✓		Phillip Mueller	✓	
Mike Brandenburg	✓		Kenton Onstad	✓	
Craig Headland	✓		Benjamin Vig	✓	
Brenda Heller	✓				
John D Wall	✓				
Gerry Uglen	✓				

Total (Yes) 13 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Rep Kingsbury

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HB 1164: Agriculture Committee (Rep. D. Johnson, Chairman) recommends DO PASS**  
(13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1164 was placed on the  
Eleventh order on the calendar.

2007 SENATE AGRICULTURE

HB 1164



## 2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Bill/Resolution No. 1164

Senate Agriculture Committee

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Hearing Date: March 15, 2007

Recorder Job Number: 5139

Committee Clerk Signature

*Cassie Krow*

Minutes:

**Sen. Flakoll** opened the hearing on HB 1164, a bill relating to membership of the northern crop council. Members (6) were present, absent (1)- Sen. Taylor.

**Rep. Aarsvold**, district 20, testified in favor of the bill.

**Rep. Aarsvold**- I have followed the Northern Crop institute and their progress for many years and from my point of view it is probably one of the most exciting innovations in ND agriculture that we have ever experienced. I would ask you to support this bill.

**Rep. Kingsbury**, district 16, testified in favor of the bill.

**Rep. Kingsbury**- this bill proves that agriculture is growing in ND, this is a good bill. It is a result of new crops. This would increase the number of producers from 5 to 7 and add the 4 Representatives for industries that process our northern crops. I would urge a do pass.

**Pat Berglund**, Northern Crops Institute, testified in favor of the bill. See attached testimony.

**Sen. Flakoll**- When we look at the activities that you folks do there is a large amount of international work, have you ever considered having someone that would tie in with that like the ND trade office or something similar to that?

**Pat Berglund**- we work quite well with the trade office but I think that your suggestion of having someone that represents them on our council is an excellent idea.

**Eric Bartsch**, Northern Pulse Growers association, testified in favor of the bill.

**Eric Bartsch**- We see great opportunity as we are trying to expand and we have had help and success with Northern Crops Institute. We would ask for your support and a do pass on this bill.

**Neal Fisher**, ND Wheat Commission, testified in favor of the bill.

**Neal Fisher**- I would like to register our support to this bill.

**Dan Wogsland**, NDGGA, testified in favor of the bill. See attached testimony.

No opposition to the bill.

**Sen. Klein** motioned for a do pass and was seconded by **Sen. Wanzek**, roll call vote 1: 6 yea, 0 nay, 1 absent. **Sen. Wanzek** was designated to carry the bill to the floor.

Date: March 15, 07  
Roll Call Vote #: 1164

**2007 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES**  
**BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 1164**

Senate Agriculture Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number \_\_\_\_\_

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Klein Seconded By Wanzek

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Tim Flakoll-Chairman	X		Arthur H. Behm	X	
Terry M. Wanzek-Vice Chairman	X		Joan Heckaman	X	
Robert S. Erbele	X		Ryan M. Taylor		
Jerry Klein	X				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 1

Floor Assignment Sen. Wanzek

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)**  
March 15, 2007 4:08 p.m.

**Module No: SR-49-5501**  
**Carrier: Wanzek**  
**Insert LC: . Title: .**

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**HB 1164: Agriculture Committee (Sen. Flakoll, Chairman) recommends DO PASS**  
(6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1164 was placed on the  
Fourteenth order on the calendar.

2007 TESTIMONY

HB 1164

Eds Chairman Johnson

TESTIMONY

Testimony to House Agriculture  
Amendment to ND Century Code 4-12.2-02  
HB 1164, Northern Crops Council Membership

The Northern Crops Institute was established when small grains were the major North Dakota crops. As you are aware, crop production in North Dakota has changed drastically since 1981. North Dakota is now the number one state in the production of at least 14 crops (flaxseed, canola, dry edible peas, durum wheat, pinto beans, ~~soybean~~, spring wheat, all sunflower, ~~and oil sunflowers~~, lentils, navy beans, all dry edible beans, barley, honey, and oat), and produces many more.

In 2004, the Northern Crops Council approved their new Strategic Plan, which guides NCI's work. This Plan identified four areas of focus: Recognized Leadership, Enhanced Programs, Effective Partnerships, and Leveraged Support and emphasizes efforts to better serve the board variety of 21<sup>st</sup> century regional crops.

In response to this effort, the 2005 ND Legislature added a Crop Quality Promotion position to NCI. Many efforts have already been conducted that are expanding markets for non-cereal crops throughout the world.

In July 2006, the Northern Crops Council voted to expand its membership to include more commodity groups and processing positions and to request this change in the Century Code for NCI. Current permanent membership includes the North Dakota Soybean, Barley, Oilseed and Wheat check-off organizations and NDSU President and ND Agriculture Commissioner. The open commodity positions are represented by commodity groups from the four-state region (currently SD Wheat Commission, MN Wheat Commission, MN Soybean, MT Wheat and Barley Committee, and US Durum Durum Growers). Additional groups such as pulses, corn, etc. would like representation on the Council. It is important to maintain regional representation to maintain regional programs and funding for NCI. Thus, we are asking for an increase in open positions (from four to five to seven producers).

In 2002, NCI established the Industry Advisory Board or IAB. Representatives from the four-state agricultural supply and processing industry and grain trade provide support, advice, lecturers, tours, and resources for NCI programs and initiatives. We currently have two of the IAB industry members included as voting members on the Northern Crops Council. Because we see the advantages of NCC membership, we wish to increase the industry representation from two to up to four.

We ask your support of increased Northern Crops Council membership to represent more regional crop groups and additional industry members who contribute much expertise, advice, and resources to the Northern Crops Institute.

## BEEF COMMISSION

3 beef producers	10,600 producers
1 dairy producer	385 producers
1 cattle feeder	522 feedlot (2002 census/cattle on feed)
1 livestock auction	16 auctions
3 at-large	
1 non-voting	

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Chairman and committee members. I'm Dan Wittbe Obed Member on the NCI Board. I stand in support of HB 1164.

Crop mixes and industries have changed since the inception of NCI over 20 years ago.

One of our new visions for the future is the study of using Bi products of processing plants in U.S. and surrounding states. The combination of these Bi products can help manage usage <sup>or conditions</sup> ~~and transportation~~ and increase value.

For instance there will be 10-20 times the production of Direct Grain than are now treated to other

Thank You  
Question



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February 8, 2007

House Agriculture Committee Chairman Johnson, Members of the House Agriculture Committee, for the record my name is Dan Wogslund, Executive Director of the North Dakota Grain Growers Association. The North Dakota Grain Growers Association is here today in support of HB 1164, which seeks to expand the membership of the Northern Crops Council.

The mission of the NCI is to support regional agriculture and value-added processing by conducting educational and technical programs that expand and maintain domestic and international markets for northern-grown crops. Additionally, the vision of the NCI is to lead the effort in Minnesota, Montana, North Dakota and South Dakota to establish northern-grown U.S. crops as the world's choice for food, feed, and value-added applications. To better serve the mission and vision of the NCI, and to make it even more responsible to the agricultural interests that it serves, HB 1164 comes before you.

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