Sixty-fourth
Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

Introduced by
Senators O'Connell, Hogue, Krebsbach
Representatives D. Anderson, Hunskor, Ruby

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state water commission for the removal or protection of rural flood-prone structures in the Mouse River basin; to provide legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

## BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - STATE WATER COMMISSION - MOUSE RIVER BASIN RURAL FLOOD-PRONE STRUCTURE REMOVAL OR PROTECTION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the resources trust fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $\$ 10,650,000$, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the state water commission for the purpose of providing grants to political subdivisions for the removal or protection of rural flood-prone structures in the Mouse River basin, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2017. The state water commission shall establish criteria for the awarding of grants that must include a 25 percent local match for each grant award.

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - MOUSE RIVER BASIN - RURAL FLOOD-PRONE STRUCTURE REMOVAL OR PROTECTION. It is the intent of the sixty-fourth legislative assembly that a total of $\$ 24,000,000$ be provided by the state for the removal or protection of rural flood-prone structures in the Mouse River basin during the 2015-17 and 2017-2019 bienniums.

SECTION 3. EXEMPTION. The funds appropriated in section 1 of this Act are not subject to section 54-44.1-11, and any unexpended funds must be continued into the 2017-19 biennium and may be spent only for grants relating to the removal or protection of rural flood-prone structures in the Mouse River basin.

SECTION 4. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

