

**Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2017**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1017
(Appropriations Committee)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the game and fish department.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the game and fish fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the game and fish department for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the game and fish department, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, as follows:

| | <u>Base Level</u> | <u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u> | <u>Appropriation</u> |
|-----------------------------------|-------------------|--|----------------------|
| Salaries and wages | \$29,670,242 | \$184,632 | \$29,854,874 |
| Operating expenses | 13,668,944 | 1,669,186 | 15,338,130 |
| Capital assets | 5,497,996 | 832,960 | 6,330,956 |
| Grants - Game and fish | 7,334,412 | 2,315,772 | 9,650,184 |
| Land habitat and deer depredation | 16,922,681 | 901,496 | 17,824,177 |
| Noxious weed control | 700,000 | 25,000 | 725,000 |
| Missouri River enforcement | 282,540 | 1,317 | 283,857 |
| Grant - Gift - Donation | 827,519 | (25,318) | 802,201 |
| Nongame wildlife conservation | 120,000 | 0 | 120,000 |
| Lonetree reservoir | 1,823,005 | (24,886) | 1,798,119 |
| Wildlife services | <u>384,400</u> | <u>115,600</u> | <u>500,000</u> |
| Total special funds | \$77,231,739 | \$5,995,759 | \$83,227,498 |
| Full-time equivalent positions | 163.00 | 0.00 | 163.00 |

SECTION 2. HEALTH INSURANCE INCREASE. The appropriation in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$420,749 of other funds, for increases in employee health insurance premiums from \$1,130 to \$1,241 per month.

SECTION 3. GRANTS, GIFTS, AND DONATIONS LINE ITEM. The grants, gifts, and donations line item in section 1 of this Act includes up to \$400,000 received by the game and fish department for surface damage, easements, or reclamation on department owned or managed properties as a result of mineral exploration and extraction activities.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-fifth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1017.

House Vote: Yeas 72 Nays 13 Absent 9

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 1 Absent 2

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2017.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2017.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2017,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State