Sixty-second Legislative Assembly of North Dakota In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 4, 2011

HOUSE BILL NO. 1305 (Representatives Kingsbury, Paur) (Senator Olafson)

AN ACT to amend and reenact sections 4-37-01, 4-37-02, 4-37-03, and 4-37-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to agriculture in the classroom.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 4-37-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

4-37-01. Agriculture in the classroom program.

Recognizing the need to promote and foster an understanding of the agricultural economy of the state of North Dakota and the values of rural lifestyles, an agriculture in the classroom program is hereby established to be administered by an agriculture in the classroom council in conjunction with the. The agriculture commissioner shall administer the program with the advice of the agriculture in the classroom council.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 4-37-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

4-37-02. Agriculture in the classroom council.

- An <u>The</u> agriculture in the classroom council is <u>established</u>. The <u>council</u> consists of <u>sixteen members</u> to be appointed by the <u>seven individuals</u>. The agriculture commissioner. One member must be the agriculture commissioner or the commissioner's designee, and one member must be <u>shall appoint six council members</u>. The <u>seventh council member is</u> the superintendent of public instruction or the superintendent's designee. Agriculture in the classroom grant recipients are nonvoting members of the council.
- 2. The council members may select one from among themselves to serve as the chairman.
- 3. The council shall meet at least twice each year, at the call of the chairman, for the purpose of providing advice to the agriculture commissioner regarding issues related to agriculture in the classroom.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Section 4-37-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

4-37-03. Purpose - Powers and duties.

- 1. The agriculture in the classroom council may provide commissioner may award grants and contract with any person for the provision of an agriculture in the classroom program, the development of agricultural curriculum activities applicable to students from kindergarten through grade twelve, and the training of teachers in agricultural curriculum activities.
- 2. The councilagriculture commissioner shall work with teachers, the superintendent of public instruction, the department of career and technical education, and the United States department of agriculture, and the state agriculture commissioner in accomplishing this purpose. The council to provide and promote an agriculture in the classroom program.

- 3. In addition to any other powers and duties set forth in this section, the agriculture commissioner may:
- 1.4. Consult with the state superintendent of public instruction, the department of career and technical education, the state agriculture commissioner, and the United States department of agriculture, and any other public or nonpublic entities;
- 2.5. Prepare instructional, informational, and reference publications on the North Dakota agricultural economy and rural lifestyles.:
- 3.6. Provide training programs for public school teachers in agricultural curriculum activities.
- 4.7. Encourage research on and identification of new instructional, informational, and reference publications relating to this state's agricultural economy and rural lifestyles: and
- 5.8. Monitor the quality and condition of the agriculture in the classroom program.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. Section 4-37-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

4-37-04. Gifts and grants.

The agriculture in the classroom councilcommissioner may accept and expend private contributions, gifts, and grants-in-aid from the federal government, private industry, and other sources. The council shall expend any moneys received under this section for thegifts, grants, and donations in support of the agriculture in the classroom program. If any gifts, grants, or donations are designated for a specific purpose if a, the commissioner shall honor the purpose is included as a condition of the gift, grant, or donation. The council may use all other moneys received under this section to carry out the purposes of provided the purpose is consistent with this chapter.

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