

HOUSE BILL NO. 1465

Introduced by

Representatives Lundgren, Froelich, Meyer, Renner

Senators Bowman, Christmann

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 4-01 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to investigations of beef industry trade issues by the agriculture
3 commissioner; to provide an appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 4-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 created and enacted as follows:

7 **Investigations - Trade issues - Remedies.**

- 8 1. The agriculture commissioner may conduct an investigation into, participate in the
9 collection and analysis of information concerning, and pursue any legal remedy to
10 address alleged dumping issues affecting the beef industry in this state.
- 11 2. If after an investigation or the collection and analysis of information, the agriculture
12 commissioner determines that sufficient evidence of dumping exists, the
13 commissioner may pursue available remedies to halt the dumping or seek the
14 imposition of a countervailing duty.
- 15 3. Within the limits of legislative appropriations, the agriculture commissioner may
16 pursue any remedy provided by state or federal law.

17 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is hereby appropriated out of any moneys in
18 the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$150,000, or so
19 much of the sum as may be necessary, to the agriculture commissioner for the purpose of
20 implementing this Act, for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.

21 **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.