

Fifty-seventh
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1338

Introduced by

Representatives Mueller, Brandenburg, Nelson

Senators Kroepelin, Urlacher

1 A BILL for an Act to restrict the sale and use of genetically modified wheat seed; and to provide
2 an expiration date.

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

4 **SECTION 1. Genetically modified wheat seed committee.** The genetically modified
5 wheat seed committee consists of the agriculture commissioner, the president of the North
6 Dakota farm bureau, the president of the North Dakota farmers union, the chairman of the
7 wheat commission, the president of the North Dakota crop improvement association, the
8 director of the North Dakota state university extension service, the director of the North Dakota
9 agricultural experiment station, the president of the North Dakota grain growers association,
10 and the president of the North Dakota grain dealers association, or their designees.

11 **SECTION 2. Genetically modified wheat seed - Restriction.**

- 12 1. As used in this section, "genetically modified wheat seed" means wheat seed
13 derived from the direct insertion of a gene construct, typically from a sexually
14 incompatible species, using recombinant DNA techniques and genetic
15 transportation technology.
- 16 2. A person may not sell, distribute, or plant any genetically modified wheat seed until
17 the genetically modified wheat seed committee makes a determination that
18 Canada has registered that genetically modified wheat seed and approved it for
19 production in Canada and for sale in the Canadian grain marketing system.
- 20 3. This section does not apply to any research-related efforts conducted under the
21 auspices of public or private entities.

22 **SECTION 3. EXPIRATION DATE.** This Act is effective through July 31, 2003, and
23 after that date is ineffective.