

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1018

That the Senate recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1561 and 1562 of the House Journal and pages 1278-1280 of the Senate Journal and that Engrossed House Bill No. 1018 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 2, replace "section" with "sections" and after "20.1-02-16.1" insert "and 20.1-04-15"

Page 1, line 3, after "fund" insert "and establishing a youth pheasant hunting season; to provide statements of legislative intent; to provide an expiration date"

Page 1, line 23, replace "1,431,668" with "1,414,443"

Page 2, line 2, replace "1,812,072" with "2,562,072"

Page 2, line 3, replace "47,683" with "46,564"

Page 2, line 6, replace "191,480" with "190,854"

Page 2, after line 6, insert:

"Wildlife services	130,000"
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Page 2, line 8, replace "5,829,291" with "6,690,321"

Page 2, line 15, replace "16,805,250" with "16,788,025"

Page 2, line 18, replace "5,414,122" with "6,164,122"

Page 2, line 19, replace "10,229,098" with "10,227,979"

Page 2, line 23, replace "1,529,033" with "1,528,407"

Page 2, line 24, replace "550,000" with "680,000"

Page 2, line 26, replace "49,195,054" with "50,056,084"

Page 3, line 9, replace "\$550,000" with "\$680,000"

Page 3, after line 19, insert:

**"SECTION 8. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - GRAHAMS ISLAND ROAD.** It is the intent of the fifty-ninth legislative assembly that if the bids for the Grahams Island road construction project are less than the amount budgeted, then \$350,000 of the \$750,000 grant provided by the game and fish department for the road project must be returned to the game and fish fund."

Page 3, after line 29, insert:

"SECTION 10. AMENDMENT. Section 20.1-04-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**20.1-04-15. Pheasant season - Opening.** The open or lawful season on pheasant and the open or lawful season on duck may not commence on the same weekend. The Except as otherwise provided in this section for the opening of pheasant season for youth, the open or lawful season on pheasant may not open earlier than one-half hour before sunrise and the season may not commence earlier than the first Saturday of October of any given year. The governor, in the governor's proclamation, may provide a pheasant hunting season for youth ages twelve through sixteen on the Saturday and Sunday preceding the opening of the regular pheasant season.

**SECTION 11. EXPIRATION DATE.** Section 10 of this Act is effective through July 31, 2007, and after that date is ineffective."

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**House Bill No. 1018 - Game and Fish Department - Conference Committee Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	SENATE VERSION	COMPARISON TO SENATE
Salaries and wages	\$16,870,147	\$16,805,250	(\$17,225)	\$16,788,025	\$16,788,025	
Operating expenses	9,736,435	9,736,435		9,736,435	9,736,435	
Capital assets	2,961,116	2,961,116		2,961,116	2,961,116	
Grants	5,414,122	5,414,122	750,000	6,164,122	5,914,122	\$250,000
Land habitat and deer depredation	10,232,286	10,229,098	(1,119)	10,227,979	10,227,979	
Noxious weed control	350,000	350,000		350,000	350,000	
Grants, gifts, and donations	700,000	700,000		700,000	700,000	
Nongame wildlife conservation	120,000	120,000		120,000	120,000	
Lonetree Reservoir	1,531,060	1,529,033	(626)	1,528,407	1,528,407	
Wildlife services	550,000	550,000	130,000	680,000	680,000	
Ramp improvements and marina development		800,000		800,000	800,000	
Total all funds	\$48,465,166	\$49,195,054	\$861,030	\$50,056,084	\$49,806,084	\$250,000
Less estimated income	<u>48,465,166</u>	<u>49,195,054</u>	<u>861,030</u>	<u>50,056,084</u>	<u>49,806,084</u>	<u>250,000</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	152.00	152.00	0.00	152.00	152.00	0.00

**Dept. 720 - Game and Fish Department - Detail of Conference Committee Changes**

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE <sup>1</sup>	ADDS FUNDING FOR GRAHAMS ISLAND ROAD <sup>2</sup>	INCREASES FUNDING FOR WILDLIFE SERVICES <sup>3</sup>	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$17,225)			(\$17,225)
Operating expenses				
Capital assets				
Grants		\$750,000		750,000
Land habitat and deer depredation	(1,119)			(1,119)
Noxious weed control				
Grants, gifts, and donations				
Nongame wildlife conservation				
Lonetree Reservoir	(626)			(626)
Wildlife services			\$130,000	130,000
Ramp improvements and marina development				
Total all funds	(\$18,970)	\$750,000	\$130,000	\$861,030
Less estimated income	<u>(18,970)</u>	<u>750,000</u>	<u>130,000</u>	<u>861,030</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> This amendment reduces funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$559.15 to \$553.95 per month, the same as the Senate version.

- <sup>2</sup> This amendment adds \$750,000 of special funds spending authority to the grants line item for the Game and Fish Department to provide a grant toward the construction costs of the Grahams Island road. This amendment also adds a section of legislative intent that if the bids for the road construction project are less than the amount budgeted, then \$350,000 of the \$750,000 must be returned to the game and fish fund. The Senate version added \$500,000 to the grants line for the Grahams Island road, with legislative intent that \$100,000 of the \$500,000 be returned to the game and fish fund if bids were less than budgeted.
- <sup>3</sup> This amendment adds \$130,000 from the game and fish fund for wildlife services, for a total of \$680,000 available to provide to the Agriculture Commissioner to pay for services provided by the United States Department of Agriculture Wildlife Services Agency to alleviate wildlife depredation and damage in North Dakota, the same as the Senate version.

This amendment also amends North Dakota Century Code Section 20.1-04-15 relating to the opening of pheasant hunting season for youth and provides an expiration date, the same as the Senate version.