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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1054

Page 1, line 1, remove "subsections 2 and 3 of"

Page 1, replace lines 4 through 19 with:

**"SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 4.1-14-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**4.1-14-01. Certification of forage - Compliance with other standards.**

1. To obtain certification that weeds prohibited according to the standards of the North American ~~weed~~invasive species management association are not cut when producing viable seeds and included in baled forage, the owner of the forage shall request that the agriculture commissioner conduct a certification inspection.
2. Upon receiving the request, the agriculture commissioner shall:
  - a. Inspect the forage acreage within ten days before harvest to verify that weeds prohibited according to the standards of the North American ~~weed~~invasive species management association are not present and producing viable seeds; and
  - b. (1) Ascertain that the scheduled harvest has occurred;
  - (2) Determine the number of bales for which certification tags or department-approved twine, or both, must be issued; and
  - (3) Verify that the baled forage is stored or will be stored only in an area where weeds prohibited according to the standards of the North American ~~weed~~invasive species management association are not present and producing viable seeds.
3. If the agriculture commissioner determines that the conditions of subsection 2 have been met, the commissioner shall issue and affix or cause to be affixed on each bale of forage one dated certification tag or shall authorize the use of department-approved twine to bale the forage."

Renumber accordingly