2021 HOUSE AGRICULTURE

HB 1158

2021 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Agriculture Committee
Room JW327C, State Capitol

HB 1158
1/21/2021
a.m.

Relating to the allocation of moneys paid to mitigate adverse environmental impacts

Chair D. Johnson called the meeting to order at 9:00 a.m.

Attendance	P or Ab
Chair D. Johnson	P
Vice Chair Trottier	P
Representative Beltz	P
Representative Buffalo	P
Representative Dobervich	P
Representative Fisher	P
Representative Headland	P
Representative Kiefert	AB
Representative Richter	P
Representative Satrom	P
Representative Schreiber-Beck	P
Representative Skroch	P
Representative Thomas	P
Representative Tveit	P

Rep. Brandenburg Introduced the bill

Discussion Topics:
- Direct and indirect impacts
- ND Agriculture Department involvement

<u>In support</u>

Julie Ellingson, ND Stockmen's Association: In support of bill

Dan Wogsland, Executive Director, ND Grain Growers' Association: Attachment #2012

Doug Goehring, ND Ag. Commissioner: Attachment #1994 (10:05)

Representative Headland moved Do Pass

Representative Satrom seconded the motion

Roll call vote. Motion passed 13-0-1. Representative Schreiber-Beck is the carrier.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Dennis Johnson	Y
Representative Wayne A Trottier	Y
Representative Mike Beltz	Y
Representative Ruth Buffalo	Y
Representative Gretchen Dobervich	Y
Representative Jay Fisher	Y
Representative Craig Headland	Y
Representative Dwight Kiefert	AB
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Bernie Satrom	Y
Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck	Y
Representative Kathy Skroch	Y
Representative Paul J. Thomas	Y
Representative Bill Tveit	Y

Additional written testimony:

Phil M. Murphy: Attachment #1747

Chair D. Johnson closed the hearing at **10:21 a.m.**

ReMae Kuehn, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1158: Agriculture Committee (Rep. D. Johnson, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1158 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

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North Dakota Grain Growers Association
Testimony in support of HB 1158
House Agriculture Committee
January 21, 2021

Chairman Johnson, members of the House Agriculture Committee, for the record my name is Dan Wogsland, Executive Director of the North Dakota Grain Growers Association (NDGGA). Through NDGGA's contracts with the North Dakota Wheat Commission and the North Dakota Barley Council the North Dakota Grain Growers Association engages in domestic policy issues on the state and federal levels on behalf of North Dakota wheat and barley farmers. I appear today on behalf of NDGGA in support of HB 1158.

Chairman Johnson, members of the House Agriculture Committee, you are very well aware of the controversy that has surrounding the assessment of mitigation funds in the state. This controversy led to the establishment by the legislature of the Environmental Impact Mitigation Fund which was supported by NDGGA. The measure reroutes the allocation of mitigation funds to both the Environmental Mitigation Impact Fund as well as to the Federal Environmental Law Impact Review Committee which NDGGA supports. Both the fund and the committee provide essential services to the state; allowing for the allocation contained in HB 1158 assures that both funds can adequately provide their service to the benefit of North Dakota citizens.

Therefore the North Dakota Grain Growers Association respectfully requests that the House Agriculture Committee give HB 1158 a Do Pass recommendation and requests the full North Dakota House concur.

#1994

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Testimony of Doug Goehring
Agriculture Commissioner
House Bill 1158
House Agriculture Committee
January 21, 2021

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Our organization supports 1158 and hope the committee sees its way to vote in favor.

2021 SENATE AGRICULTURE

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2021 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Agriculture Committee
Fort Union Room, State Capitol

HB 1158
3/4/2021
10:00 AM

A BILL for an Act relating to the allocation of moneys paid to mitigate adverse environmental impacts

Chair Luick called the committee to order at 10:00 AM. All committee members were present: Chair Luick, Vice Chair Myrdal, Senator Klein, Senator Lemm, Senator Oley Larsen and Senator Hogan.

Discussion Topics:

- Environmental Mitigation Fund
- Fiscal Note
- Land Development

(10:00 AM) Representative Brandenburg, District 28 introduced the Bill.

(10:03 AM) Commissioner Doug Goehring, Agriculture Department testified in favor and provided testimony # 7397.

(10:14 AM) Julie Ellingson ND Stockmen's Association testified in favor of the Bill.

(10:15 AM) Chair Luick closed the hearing.

(10:16 AM) Chair Luick reopened the hearing

(10:17 AM) Julie Ellingson answered questions asked by Senator Kathy Hogan.

(10:18 PM) Chair Luick closed the hearing on HB 1158.

Additional written testimony:
Phil Murphy ND Soybean Growers Association Testimony # 7081 in favor.
Dan Wogsland ND Grain Growers Association Testimony # 7341 in favor.

Alice Delzer, Committee Clerk

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Senate Agriculture Committee
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2021 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Agriculture Committee
Fort Union Room, State Capitol

HB 1158
3/4/2021
2:48 PM

A Bill for an Act regarding to the allocating of moneys paid to mitigate adverse environmental impacts.

Chair Luick opened the hearing on HB 1158 at 248 pm. All committee members were present. Chair Luick, Vice Chair Myrdal, Senator Klein, Senator Lemm, Senator Oley Larsen and Senator Hogan.

Discussion Topics:

- Conclusion of AM hearing.

(2:48 PM) Senator Jerry Klein moved a Do Pass on HB 1158.

(2:49 PM) Senator Oley Larsen 2nd the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Larry Luick	Y
Senator Janne Myrdal	Y
Senator Kathy Hogan	Y
Senator Jerry Klein	Y
Senator Oley Larsen	Y
Senator Randy D. Lemm	Y

(2:50 PM) Roll Call Vote was taken on a Do Pass on HB 1158. 6-0-0.

(2:51 PM) Senator Oley Larsen will carry the Bill.

(2:52 PM) Chair Luick closed the hearing on HB 1158.

Alice Delzer, Committee Clerk

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

HB 1158: Agriculture Committee (Sen. Luick, Chairman) recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1158 was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.