# Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
# In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 6, 2015

SENATE BILL NO. 2159
(Senators Wardner, Armstrong)
(Representatives Fehr, Lefor, Schatz, Steiner)

AN ACT to authorize the state board of higher education and the state board of agricultural research and education to convey certain real property in Stark County owned by the state of North Dakota; to authorize the state board of higher education and the state board of agricultural research and education to acquire certain real property in Stark County; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. CONVEYANCE OF LAND AUTHORIZED - ACQUISITION OF LAND AUTHORIZED - CONTINUING APPROPRIATION.**

1. The state of North Dakota, by and through the state board of higher education and the state board of agricultural research and education, may convey certain real property used for the purposes of the Dickinson research extension center in Stark County for the price and on the terms as determined by the state board of higher education. Sections 54-01-05.2 and 54-01-05.5 do not apply to a conveyance authorized by this subsection.

   a. The state board of agricultural research and education may convey the following parcels of land consisting of approximately 30 acres to the Dickinson school district:

      The east 20 acres of the northwest ¼ of the northwest ¼ of section 32 of township 140 north, range 96 west.

      The west 10 acres of the northeast ¼ of the northwest ¼ of section 32 of township 140 north, range 96 west.

   b. The state board of agricultural research and education may grant the Dickinson school district a right of first refusal for the purchase of the following parcels of land within five years of the effective date of this Act:

      The east 30 acres of the northeast ¼ of the northwest ¼ of section 32 of township 140 north, range 96 west.

      The west 20 acres of the northwest ¼ of the northwest ¼ of section 32 of township 140 north, range 96 west.

   c. If the Dickinson school district does not exercise the right to purchase the 50 acres described in subdivision b or any portion of those parcels, the state board of agricultural research and education may convey that land to another purchaser at fair market value.

   d. The state board of agricultural research and education may convey the following parcel of land consisting of approximately 160 acres at public auction:

      The southwest quarter of section 29 of township 140 north, range 96 west.

2. The state of North Dakota, by and through the state board of higher education and the state board of agricultural research and education, may acquire certain real property in Stark County to be used for the purposes of the Dickinson research extension center on the terms and for a price as approved by the state board of higher education, but not to exceed $2,602,000. The state board of agricultural research and education shall use any funds

received under the conveyance of state land under subsection 1 for the purchase of the following parcels of land:

The west ½ of section 30 of township 139 north, range 91 west.

The west ½ of section 31 of township 139 north, range 91 west.

The south ½ of section 25 of township 139 north, range 92 west.

The southeast ¼ of section 26 of township 139 north, range 92 west.

The north ½ of section 36 of township 139 north, range 92 west.

The north ½ of the south ½ of section 36 of township 139 north, range 92 west.

The south ½ of the southeast quarter of section 36 of township 139 north, range 92 west.

3. Any funds received as a result of a conveyance under subsection 1 are appropriated on a continuing basis and may be used by the state board of agricultural research and education for acquiring the property described in subsection 2. Any funds received as a result of a conveyance under subsection 1 which exceed the amount necessary to acquire the property described in subsection 2 must be deposited in a special fund that may be used by the state board of agricultural research and education solely for agricultural research purposes at the Dickinson research extension center and those funds are appropriated on a continuing basis for that purpose.

**SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-fourth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2159 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 46 Nays 0 Absent 1

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 92 Nays 0 Absent 2

Speaker of the House

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 11:45 A.M. on February 25, 2015.

Approved at 2:15 P.M. on February 26, 2015.

Governor

Filed in this office this 26th day of February, 2015,

at 2:25 o'clock P.M.

Secretary of State