

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1082
(Agriculture Committee)
(At the request of the Agriculture Commissioner)

AN ACT to amend and reenact section 36-25-01 of North Dakota Century Code, relating to the definition of farmed elk.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 36-25-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

36-25-01. Definitions.

In this chapter, unless the context otherwise requires:

1. "Board" means the state board of animal health.
2. "Commissioner" means the agriculture commissioner.
3. "Farmed elk" means mammals of the elk family (~~cervus elaphus~~), ~~except red deer,~~ North American elk genus and species (*cervus canadensis*) confined in a manmade enclosure designed to prevent escape and:
 - a. Raised for fiber, meat, or animal byproducts;
 - b. Raised for breeding, exhibition, or harvest; or
 - c. Maintained for any other purpose.
4. "Owner" means a person who owns or is responsible for the raising of farmed elk.

Kevin L. Berg
Speaker of the House

Michelle J. Anderson
President of the Senate

Buell J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Manda Meyer
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1082.

House Vote: Yeas 93 Nays 0 Absent 1

Senate Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0

Buell J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 11:30 A.M. on March 13, 2025.

Approved at 1:25 P.M. on March 14, 2025.

[Signature]
Governor

Filed in this office this 14th day of March, 2025,
at 4:35 o'clock P M.

Michael Howe
Secretary of State