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House Bill 1165

AMENDMENT 1165E FOR THE HOUSE AGRICULTURE AND NATURAL RESOURCES ENGROSSED BILL

This bill has been extensively amended (hoghoused) and may no longer be consistent with the original intention of the sponsor.

- 1 An Act to provide a means by which an agricultural producer can reject the 2 imposition may request an automatic refund of an assessment on crops.
- 3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:

4 Section 1. That § 38-10-34 be AMENDED:

5 38-10-34. Any Except as otherwise provided in section 2 of this Act, any person, 6 firm, or corporation subject to the fee provided in this chapter that objects to the collection 7 of the fee may, within sixty days following the collection, apply to the wheat commission 8 for a refund of the fee. Upon the return of the refund application, accompanied by a true, 9 legible record of the invoices delivered by the purchaser to the grower, the commission 10 shall, within thirty days, refund the net amount of the fee collected to the grower. If no 11 request for refund has been made within sixty days after the collection of the fee, the 12 grower shall be conclusively presumed to have agreed to the deduction.

- 13 <u>The commission shall make the refund application available online and provide for</u>
 14 <u>the electronic submission of the application and all required documentation</u>.
- 15 Section 2. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 38-10:
- The wheat commission shall promulgate rules, in accordance with chapter 1-26, to
 develop and implement an alternative refund process by which a grower may, before
 December thirty-first, file with the commission a single electronic request for an automatic
 refund of all assessments imposed upon and paid by the grower in accordance with this
 chapter during the ensuing calendar year. The rules must provide for the electronic
 submission of all documentation necessary to obtain the refund.
- 22 Section 3. That § 38-27-16 be AMENDED:

1 **38-27-16.** Any Except as otherwise provided in section 4 of this Act, any grower 2 subject to the assessment provided in this chapter, within sixty days following the 3 assessment, may make application to the oilseeds council for a refund of the assessment. 4 Upon return of the refund application accompanied by a record of the assessment by the 5 first purchaser, the grower shall, within sixty days, be refunded the net amount of the 6 assessment collected. However, a grower, for any reason, having paid the assessment 7 more than once on the same sunflowers, safflowers, canola, or flax, upon furnishing proof 8 of this to the council, is entitled to a refund of the overpayment.

9 <u>The council shall make the refund application available online and provide for the</u>
 10 <u>electronic submission of the application and all required documentation</u>.

11 Section 4. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 38-27:

12 The council shall promulgate rules, in accordance with chapter 1-26, to develop 13 and implement an alternative refund process by which a grower may, before December 14 thirty-first, file with the council a single electronic request for an automatic refund of all 15 assessments imposed upon and paid by the grower in accordance with this chapter during 16 the ensuing calendar year. The rules must provide for the electronic submission of all 17 documentation necessary to obtain the refund.

18 Section 5. That § 38-32-20 be AMENDED:

38-32-20. Any Except as otherwise provided in section 6 of this Act, any grower subject to the assessment provided in this chapter may, within sixty days following such assessment, make application to the council for a refund of the assessment. Upon the return of the refund application, accompanied by a record of the assessment by the first purchaser, the grower shall, within sixty days, be refunded the net amount of the assessment collected. However, a grower who has paid the assessment more than once on the same corn is entitled to a refund of the overpayment.

26 <u>The council shall make the refund application available online and provide for the</u>
 27 <u>electronic submission of the application and all required documentation.</u>

28 Section 6. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 38-32:

29 <u>The council shall promulgate rules, in accordance with chapter 1-26, to develop</u>
 30 <u>and implement an alternative refund process by which a grower may, before December</u>

31 <u>thirty-first, file with the council a single electronic request for an automatic refund of all</u>

- 1 <u>assessments imposed upon and paid by the grower in accordance with this chapter during</u>
- 2 <u>the ensuing calendar year. The rules must provide for the electronic submission of all</u>
- 3 <u>documentation necessary to obtain the refund.</u>

4 Section 7. That § 38-34-18 be AMENDED:

- 5 **38-34-18.** Any Except as otherwise provided in section 8 of this Act, any grower 6 subject to the assessment provided in this chapter, within sixty days following the 7 assessment, may apply to the council for a refund of the assessment. Upon return of the 8 refund application accompanied by a record of the assessment by the first purchaser, the 9 grower shall, within sixty days, be refunded the net amount of the assessment collected. 10 Additionally, a grower, who for any reason, pays the assessment more than once on the 11 same pulse crops, upon furnishing proof of this to the council, is entitled to a refund of 12 the overpayment.
- <u>The council shall make the refund application available online and provide for the</u>
 <u>electronic submission of the application and all required documentation.</u>
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16 Section 8. That a NEW SECTION be added to chapter 38-34:

17 The council shall promulgate rules, in accordance with chapter 1-26, to develop 18 and implement an alternative refund process by which a grower may, before December 19 thirty-first, file with the council a single electronic request for an automatic refund of all 20 assessments imposed upon and paid by the grower in accordance with this chapter during 21 the ensuing calendar year. The rules must provide for the electronic submission of all 22 documentation necessary to obtain the refund.

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