

**CHAPTER 4-44**  
**CROP INSURANCE PROPOSAL DEVELOPMENT**

**4-44-01. (Effective through June 30, 2015) Crop insurance development board - Membership - Terms.**

1. The crop insurance development board consists of:
  - a. The agriculture commissioner or the commissioner's designee;
  - b. One individual representing an agricultural organization in this state, appointed by the governor;
  - c. One individual representing an agricultural organization in this state, appointed by the agriculture commissioner;
  - d. One individual involved in the crop insurance industry, appointed by the governor; and
  - e. One individual involved in the crop insurance industry, appointed by the agriculture commissioner.
2. The term of each appointed member is two years and begins on July 1, 2011.
3. An appointed member may serve consecutive terms.
4. If at any time a member ceases to possess any of the qualifications required by this section or otherwise terminates the appointment, the member's office is deemed vacant and must be filled in the same manner as the original appointment.

**4-44-02. (Effective through June 30, 2015) Crop insurance development board - Chairman.**

1. Biennially, the crop insurance development board shall elect one member to serve as the chairman. The chairman's term begins July 1, 2011. The chairman may serve consecutive terms.
2. The chairman shall call all meetings of the board.
3. The board shall meet as often as necessary to fulfill its duties under section 4-44-03.

**4-44-03. (Effective through June 30, 2015) Crop insurance development board - Duties.**

1. The crop insurance development board shall assess the feasibility and desirability of proposals submitted by individuals and by public and nonpublic entities pertaining to the development and implementation of crop insurance instruments. The board may authorize the awarding of grants to assist with future actuarial and development costs.
2. Grants may be awarded for up to seventy-five percent of the first fifty thousand dollars and up to fifty percent of the costs thereafter.
3. The board shall establish conditions pertaining to the receipt of grants, including the repayment of some or all of the grants with moneys received by the applicant from the federal crop insurance corporation for continued development of the proposal. The board shall forward any moneys received as repayments under this section to the state treasurer for deposit in the agricultural products utilization fund.

**4-44-04. (Effective through June 30, 2015) Access to board records.**

Materials and data submitted to, or made or received by, the board, to the extent that the board determines the materials or data consist of trade secrets or commercial, financial, or proprietary information of individuals or entities applying to or contracting with the board or receiving board services under this chapter are subject to section 44-04-18.4. The names or identities of the independent technical reviewers on any project or program are confidential and may not be disclosed by the board.