### School for the Deaf Budget No. 252 Senate Bill No. 2013

| 2015-17 legislative appropriations             | FTE Positions<br>45.61 | General Fund<br>\$9,140,590 | Other Funds<br>\$1,689,210 | Total<br>\$10,829,800 |
|--|------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2015-17 base budget                            | 44.61                  | 7,799,379                   | 1,568,928                  | 9,368,307             |
| Legislative increase (decrease) to base budget | 1.00                   | \$1,341,211                 | \$120,282                  | \$1,461,493           |

# ONGOING AND ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

|   | Ongoing<br>General Fund<br>Appropriation | One-Time<br>General Fund<br>Appropriation | Total<br>General Fund<br>Appropriation |
|---|--|---|--|
| 2015-17 legislative appropriations                                | \$9,140,590                              | \$0                                       | \$9,140,590                            |
| 2013-15 legislative appropriations                                | 7,799,379                                | 0   | 7,799,379                              |
| 2015-17 legislative increase (decrease) to 2013-15 appropriations | \$1,341,211                              | \$0                                       | \$1,341,211                            |
| Percentage increase (decrease) to 2013-15 appropriations          | 17.2%                                    | 0.0%                                      | 17.2%                                  |

# SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE BASE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS

# **Salaries and Wages**

The legislative action affecting the recommended appropriation for the School for the Deaf is in accordance with legislative salary and fringe benefits guidelines as contained in Senate Bill No. 2015.

| Changes to Base Budget  |               |              |             |           |
|---|---------------|--------------|-------------|-----------|
| The legislative action:   | FTE Positions | General Fund | Other Funds | Total     |
| Added funding for base payroll changes for cost-to-continue 2013-15 biennium salaries and benefit increases and for other base payroll changes. |               | \$269,690    | (\$91,285)  | \$178,405 |
| Added funding for 2015-17 biennium performance salary adjustments of 2 to 4 percent per year.   |               | 141,193      | 8,438       | 149,631   |
| Added funding for employee health insurance premiums to reflect a premium estimate of \$1,130.22 per month.                                     |               | 184,510      | 4,433       | 188,943   |
| Added funding for 1 adult services FTE position for the western part of the state.  | 1.00          | 129,600      |             | 129,600   |

| Added funding for extraordinary repairs to provide a total of \$192,174 from the general fund.  |      | 65,912      |           | 65,912      |
|---|------|-------------|-----------|-------------|
| Added funding for equipment over \$5,000 to provide a total of \$75,000 from special funds for a lawn tractor (\$15,000) and a skid steer tractor (\$60,000). |      |             | 52,500    | 52,500      |
| Removed funding for information technology equipment over \$5,000 provided during the 2013-15 biennium.   |      |             | (43,000)  | (43,000)    |
| Increased funding for operating expenses.   |      | 50,306      | 89,196    | 139,502     |
| Adjusted the funding source of operating expenses to increase funding from the general fund.  |      | 500,000     | (500,000) |             |
| Added one-time funding for boiler replacement and Smith Building projects.  |      |             | 600,000   | 600,000     |
| Total =   | 1.00 | \$1,341,211 | \$120,282 | \$1,461,493 |

#### FTE Changes

The 2015-17 biennium appropriations for the School for the Deaf include funding for 45.61 FTE positions, an increase of 1 FTE position from the 2013-15 biennium. The Legislative Assembly added 1 adult services FTE position for the western part of the state.

#### **One-Time Funding**

In Section 2 of Senate Bill No. 2013, the Legislative Assembly identified \$600,000 of one-time funding from special funds for extraordinary repairs, including boiler replacement and Smith Building projects. This amount is not to be considered part of the School for the Deaf 's 2017-19 biennium base budget, and the School for the Deaf is to report to the Appropriations Committees during the 2017 legislative session on the use of this funding.

### Extraordinary Repairs and Capital Assets

The Legislative Assembly provided a total of \$867,174, of which \$192,174 is from the general fund and \$675,000 is from special funds, for extraordinary repairs and capital assets, including:

|   | General Fund | Special Funds | Total     |
|---|--------------|---------------|-----------|
| Activities building repairs (including pool skimmer covers, lockers, and mechanical room) | \$20,174     |               | \$20,174  |
| Kitchen coolers   | 46,000       |               | 46,000    |
| Parking lot and lighting repairs  | 64,000       |               | 64,000    |
| Asbestos testing and abatement  | 32,000       |               | 32,000    |
| Dining room flooring and ceiling  | 30,000       |               | 30,000    |
| Boiler replacement  |              | \$300,000     | 300,000   |
| Smith Building projects   |              | 300,000       | 300,000   |
| Skid steer tractor  |              | 60,000        | 60,000    |
| Lawn tractor  |              | 15,000        | 15,000    |
| Total   | \$192,174    | \$675,000     | \$867,174 |

# **Other Sections in Bill**

**Higher education interpreter grant program** - Section 16 provides that \$200,000 from the general fund included in the grants line item of the School for the Deaf is for the continuation of the grants program to assist institutions under the control of the State Board of Higher Education with the cost of interpreters and real-time captioning for students who are deaf or hearing-impaired for the 2015-17 biennium. Funding appropriated for this program is not subject to North

Dakota Century Code Section 54-44.1-11. In addition, the section requires the School for the Deaf to develop a formula for distribution of the funds based on a uniform hourly reimbursement and may not distribute more than 50 percent of the amount appropriated during the first year of the biennium. If any grant funding remains undistributed at the end of the biennium, the School for the Deaf is to provide additional prorated grants to institutions that during the biennium incurred hourly expenses in excess of the formula reimbursement level.