

Fifty-sixth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2267

Introduced by

Senators B. Stenehjem, Christmann, Tomac

Representatives Grande, Hanson, Henegar

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-02 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the special road committee; to amend and reenact subsection 3 of
3 section 24-02-37 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the special road fund; to provide
4 an effective date; and to declare an emergency.

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

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 24-02-37 of the 1997 Supplement
7 to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 3. The state treasurer shall deposit the moneys in the state highway fund in an
9 interest-bearing account at the Bank of North Dakota. ~~Any~~ The state treasurer
10 shall deposit any income derived from the deposit of the moneys must be retained
11 in the state highway interest-bearing account in a special interest-bearing account
12 in the state treasury known as the special road fund. The special road fund may
13 be used, within the limits of legislative appropriation, exclusively for the
14 construction and maintenance of access roads to and roads within recreational,
15 tourist, and historical areas as designated by the special road committee. A
16 political subdivision or state agency may request funds from the special road fund
17 by applying to the committee on forms designated by the committee. The
18 committee may require the political subdivision or state agency to contribute to the
19 cost of the project as a condition of any expenditure authorized from the special
20 road fund. Any moneys in the fund not obligated by the special road committee on
21 June thirtieth of each odd-numbered year must revert to the state highway fund.

22 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 24-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is
23 created and enacted as follows:

1 **Special road committee.** The special road committee consists of one member of the
2 senate transportation committee and one member of the senate appropriations committee and
3 one member of the house of representatives transportation committee and one member of the
4 house of representatives appropriations committee appointed by the chairman of the legislative
5 council, the director of the game and fish department, the director of the parks and recreation
6 department, the director of the department of economic development and finance, and the
7 director of the department of transportation. The director of the department of transportation is
8 chairman of the committee. The committee must meet at the call of the director to review
9 requests for funding from the special road fund. The committee shall decide which project
10 requests will receive funding. The director shall provide staff services to the committee. The
11 members of the committee who are members of the legislative assembly are entitled to
12 compensation from the department of transportation, from moneys appropriated from the
13 special road fund, for attendance at committee meetings at the rate provided for members of
14 the legislative assembly for attendance at interim committee meetings and are entitled to
15 reimbursement for expenses incurred in attending the meetings in the amounts provided by law
16 for other state officers.

17 **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act becomes effective July 1, 1999.

18 **SECTION 4. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.