Fifty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2200

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Senators Krauter, Freborg, G. Nelson

Representatives Belter, Kerzman, Monson

- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 14 of chapter 169 of the 1999
- 2 Session Laws, relating to school district reorganization bonuses; to provide an appropriation;
- 3 and to declare an emergency.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 2 of section 14 of chapter 169 of the 1999 Session Laws is amended and reenacted as follows:

- 2. a. If any funds appropriated by the legislative assembly to the grants foundation aid and transportation line item remain after completion of all statutory obligations, to the extent of legislative appropriations, the superintendent of public instruction shall distribute the first \$1,000,000 of such contingent funds as supplemental per student payments to each school district in the state on the basis of average daily membership.
 - b. The superintendent shall distribute the next \$1,000,000 of such contingent funds to assist school districts experiencing declines in student enrollment under the terms provided for by subdivision b of subsection 1.
 - c. The superintendent shall distribute the next \$2,000,000 of such contingent funds to school districts eligible to receive reorganization bonuses, as provided for by Senate Bill No. 2441, as approved by the fifty sixth legislative assembly, and shall distribute any all remaining funds, except \$2,000,000, as supplemental per student payments to each school district in the state on the basis of average daily membership.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$3,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the superintendent of public instruction for the

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- 1 purpose of distributing reorganization bonuses under section 15.1-12-11.1 to school districts,
- 2 for the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003. The superintendent of
- 3 public instruction shall determine the eligibility of reorganized districts chronologically, according
- 4 to the date on which each district's reorganization plan was approved by the state board of
- 5 public school education. No reorganization bonus payable under this Act may exceed five
- 6 hundred thousand dollars. A reorganized district that receives a reorganization bonus under
- 7 this Act is not eligible to receive additional reorganization bonuses based on future
- 8 reorganization efforts for a period of ten years.
- 9 **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.