

Fifty-seventh
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2023

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for capital projects of various state departments
2 and institutions; to provide an appropriation for state facility energy improvement capital
3 projects of various state departments and institutions; to authorize the industrial commission
4 and the state board of higher education to issue and sell bonds for capital projects; to provide
5 an appropriation; and to declare an emergency.

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

7 **SECTION 1. PROJECT AUTHORIZATIONS.** The industrial commission, acting as the
8 North Dakota building authority, shall arrange for the funding of the projects authorized in this
9 section, hereby declared to be in the public interest, through the issuance of evidences of
10 indebtedness under chapter 54-17.2, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending
11 June 30, 2003. The proceeds of the evidences of indebtedness and other available funds are
12 hereby appropriated during the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003, for
13 the following projects:

14 State department of health	Laboratory addition	\$2,700,000
15 Minot state university	Old main renovation	7,850,000
16 Job service North Dakota	Bismarck service delivery office	2,302,000

17 The industrial commission shall issue evidences of indebtedness under this section with
18 the condition that lease rental payments need not begin until July 1, 2003. This authority of the
19 industrial commission to issue evidences of indebtedness ends June 30, 2003, but the
20 industrial commission may continue to exercise all other powers granted to it under chapter
21 54-17.2 and this Act and to comply with any covenants entered into before that date.

22 Grand total special funds appropriation	\$12,852,000
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23 **SECTION 2. BOND ISSUANCE REPAYMENT RESPONSIBILITY.** Of the total
24 amount of evidences of indebtedness issued under the provisions of section 1 of this Act, a

total of \$6,656,000 must be available from nongeneral fund sources to assist in the retirement of the evidences of indebtedness issued for the project costs associated with the construction of the projects authorized by this Act:

State department of health	\$1,755,000
Job service North Dakota	2,302,000
Minot state university	2,599,000

SECTION 3. STATE FACILITY ENERGY IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

AUTHORIZATIONS. The industrial commission, acting as the North Dakota building authority, shall arrange for the funding of the projects authorized in this section, which are described in the report filed by the division of community services of the office of management and budget with the governor, dated August 30, 2000, and which are hereby declared to be in the public interest, through the issuance of evidences of indebtedness under chapter 54-17.2 and section 54-44.5-08, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003. The proceeds of the evidences of indebtedness and other available funds are hereby appropriated during the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003, for the following projects:

Department of transportation	Headquarters building	\$352,600
North Dakota state university	Sundry projects	296,348
University of North Dakota	Sundry projects	3,990,785

The authority of the industrial commission to issue evidences of indebtedness under this section ends June 30, 2003, but the industrial commission may continue to exercise all other powers granted to it under chapter 54-17.2, section 54-44.5-08, and this Act, and comply with any covenants entered into before that date.

Grand total special funds appropriation	\$4,639,733
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SECTION 4. LOCAL RESPONSIBILITY - APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated from local or other funds, the sum of \$1,300,000 to the state college of science for the purpose of providing the required local match for the student union renovation project, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003.

SECTION 5. BOND ISSUANCE - PURPOSES - APPROPRIATION. The state board of higher education, in accordance with chapter 15-55, may issue and sell self-liquidating, tax-exempt bonds in an amount not exceeding \$17,500,000. Bonds issued pursuant to this

section are not a general obligation of the state of North Dakota. The bonds may be issued, and the proceeds are appropriated, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2001, and ending June 30, 2003, for the purpose of financing the following capital projects:

University of North Dakota - Memorial student union renovation	\$3,500,000
North Dakota state university - Residence hall construction	8,000,000
North Dakota state university - Minard hall renovation	3,000,000
North Dakota state college of science - Student union renovation	2,000,000
North Dakota state college of science - Parking lot improvements	1,000,000

Any unexpended balance resulting from the proceeds of the bonds must be placed in a sinking fund to be used for the retirement of the bonds.

SECTION 6. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.