PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2400

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act to provide a statement of legislative intent regarding state employee compensation adjustments.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - STATE EMPLOYEE COMPENSATION ADJUSTMENTS - GUIDELINES. It is the intent of the fifty-ninth legislative assembly that 2005-07 biennium compensation adjustments for permanent state employees are to be average increases of three percent beginning with the month of July 2005, to be paid in August 2005, and of four percent beginning with the month of July 2006, to be paid in August 2006. The increases are to be a minimum of \$35 per month for each permanent state employee for each year of the biennium. Employees whose documented performance levels do not meet standards are not eligible for the general increases.

Probationary employees are not entitled to the general increases. However, probationary employees may be given all or a portion of the increases upon completion of probation, at the discretion of the appointing authority.

During the biennium, no salary increase other than the three percent in July 2005, with a \$35 per month minimum, and the four percent in July 2006, with a \$35 per month minimum, may be given to an employee whose salary exceeds or would exceed the salary range maximum.

Each agency appropriation for salaries and wages is increased by three percent the first year and four percent the second year of the 2005-07 biennium for these compensation adjustments."

Renumber accordingly