Sixtieth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1064

Introduced by

Transportation Committee

(At the request of the Highway Patrol)

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 39-03 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to creation of the highway patrol assets forfeiture fund; and to provide a
- 3 continuing appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 39-03 of the North Dakota Century Code is

6 created and enacted as follows:

- Highway patrol Assets forfeiture fund Purpose Continuing appropriation.
- 8 There is created a fund to be known as the highway patrol assets forfeiture fund. The fund
- 9 consists of funds obtained from moneys, assets, and proceeds seized and forfeited pursuant to
- 10 <u>section 19-03.1-36, amounts received through court proceedings as restitution, amounts</u>
- 11 remaining from the forfeiture of property after the payment of expenses for forfeiture and sale
- 12 authorized by law, and funds received from federal shared forfeiture proceedings. The total
- 13 amount of deposits into the fund may not exceed three hundred thousand dollars within a
- 14 biennium and any moneys in excess of that amount must be deposited in the general fund. The
- 15 funds are appropriated as a continuing appropriation to the highway patrol for the following
- 16 purposes:

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- 17 <u>1.</u> For highway patrol employee salaries incurred with criminal interdiction programs.
- For highway patrol employee training and to conduct training for other law
 enforcement.
- 20 <u>3.</u> For highway patrol equipment related to criminal interdiction.
- 21 The superintendent of the highway patrol, with the concurrence of the director of the office of

22 management and budget, shall establish the necessary accounting procedures for the use of

23 the fund and shall personally approve, in writing, all requests for the use of the fund.