

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Representative Kasper

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact sections 15-70-01, 15-70-04, 15-70-05, and
2 57-51.1-07.4 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the provision of financial assistance
3 to tribally controlled community colleges; and to provide an appropriation.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-70-01 of the North Dakota Century Code is
6 amended and reenacted as follows:

7 **15-70-01. Definitions.** ~~In As used in this chapter, unless the context otherwise~~
8 ~~requires:~~

9 1. "Full time" means that a student is enrolled for at least twenty-four semester hours
10 during an academic year.

11 2. "Nonbeneficiary student" means a resident of North Dakota who is enrolled in a
12 tribally controlled community college but is not an enrolled member of a federally
13 recognized Indian tribe.

14 ~~2.~~ 3. "Tribally controlled community college" means an institution of higher education in
15 this state which is formally controlled or has been formally sanctioned or chartered
16 by the governing body of an Indian tribe, or any combination of federally
17 recognized Indian tribes.

18 **SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-70-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is
19 amended and reenacted as follows:

20 **15-70-04. Submission of grant application - Distribution of grants.** In order to
21 qualify for a grant under this chapter, an institution shall submit an application in the manner
22 required by the state board of higher education. If an application is approved, the board shall
23 distribute to each tribally controlled community college, during each year of the biennium, ~~four~~
24 five thousand five hundred eighty-one dollars for each nonbeneficiary student on a full-time

equivalent basis. If the amount appropriated is insufficient, the board shall distribute a prorated amount per nonbeneficiary student on a full-time equivalent basis.

SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Section 15-70-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

15-70-05. Reporting by recipient institutions - Failure to report. Each institution receiving a grant under this chapter shall ~~annually provide to the state board of higher education an accurate and detailed account of~~ submit to the legislative council a report detailing the expenditures of the grant funds received by the institution under this chapter ~~and~~ a copy of the institution's latest audit report and documentation of the enrollment status ~~and ethnic status~~ of each student on whose account financial assistance under this chapter is sought, and any other information requested by the council. Any institution that fails to meet the requirements of this section is ineligible to receive future grants under this chapter.

SECTION 4. AMENDMENT. Section 57-51.1-07.4 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

57-51.1-07.4. Separate allocation of state share of collections from reservation development. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state treasurer shall transfer to the permanent oil tax trust fund the first seven hundred thousand dollars of the state's share of tax revenues under this chapter from oil produced from wells within the exterior boundaries of the Fort Berthold Reservation ~~drilled and completed~~ after June 30, ~~2007~~ 2009.

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the permanent oil tax trust fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$700,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the state board of higher education for the purpose of providing grant assistance to tribally controlled community colleges, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011.