

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO.

Introduced by

Senator Mathern

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of transportation to create and
2 administer a transportation voucher program.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
5 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$220,000, or so much
6 of the sum as may be necessary, and \$780,000 or much of the sum as may be necessary, from
7 special funds to the to the department of transportation for the purpose of creating and
8 administering a transportation voucher system for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, and
9 ending June 30, 2011.

10 **SECTION 2. Voucher Program.** The department of transportation may contract with or
11 provide grants to a third party to administer the transportation voucher program. The program
12 must provide eligible participants assigned checks for the payment of fees or reimbursement of
13 mileage to transportation providers. The check may be used for volunteer drivers or existing
14 transportation systems. To be eligible, a participant must have a documented disability and an
15 identifiable barrier to transportation.