Sixty-third Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1228

Introduced by

Representatives Meier, Dosch, Monson, Schatz, Steiner Senators Flakoll, Grindberg, Heckaman, Robinson

- 1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-20.1 of the North Dakota
- 2 Century Code, relating to science, technology, engineering, and mathematics advancement
- 3 grants; to provide an appropriation for a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics
- 4 advancement grant; and to provide a continuing appropriation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 15-20.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Science - Technology - Engineering - Mathematics - Grants - Continuing appropriation - Report.

- The department of career and technical education may accept gifts, grants, and donations for the purpose of providing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics advancement grants.
- 2. Grant recipients shall focus on facilitating, coordinating, and advancing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics initiatives in this state, and shall work with representatives of elementary and secondary education, tribal schools, higher education, and private sector industries to strengthen educational opportunities, align the educational opportunities with economic development and workforce needs, and ensure the existence of a creative and productive workforce with the skills and knowledge to be globally competitive.
- 3. All moneys received under this section are appropriated on a continuing basis to the department of career and technical education for the purpose of providing science, technology, engineering, and mathematics advancement grants. The department of career and technical education shall report to the appropriations committees of each legislative assembly on funds received and the use of the funds.

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1 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general 2 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$400,000\$160,000, or so 3 much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of career and technical education for 4 the purpose of providing a science, technology, engineering, and mathematics advancement 5 grant, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015. The grant recipient 6 must focus on facilitating, coordinating, and advancing science, technology, engineering, and 7 mathematics initiatives in this state, and must work with representatives of elementary and 8 secondary education, tribal schools, higher education, and private sector industries to 9 strengthen educational opportunities, align the educational opportunities with economic 10 development and workforce needs, and ensure the existence of a creative and productive 11 workforce with the skills and knowledge to be globally competitive.