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Chair Holmberg and members of the Senate Appropriations Committee. My name is Mark Hagerott, and I serve as the Chancellor for the North Dakota University System (NDUS). I am here today to request that approximately \$30 million of the State's available Coronavirus Relief Fund (CRF) dollars be reallocated to the NDUS entities.

The \$61.6 million CRF dollars already provided to the State's public institutions of higher education were critical in allowing the NDUS to adapt and respond to the COVID pandemic and continue providing the highest quality of education to the 45,000 students attending ND institutions.

Funds were used to improve physical distancing measures and enhance air quality in state-owned facilities through bipolar ionic equipment, humidification, cleaning and enhanced filtration. Institutions also adopted new technologies to facilitate distance learning & telework; adapted to a Hybrid Flex instructional model; expanded instructional design resources to develop high quality online courses; and expanded behavioral health services available to students. Public health expenses such as medical & protective supplies and for staff, faculty & students; expanded cleaning & disinfection of public areas & facilities; COVID testing expenses; and housing & dining costs for individuals in quarantine or isolation.

Today, the institutions have incurred and will continue to incur expenses related to the pandemic. Page 2 of this testimony summarizes the new request. I would like to explain the Dakota Digital Academy request for \$200,000. The institutions are available online to explain their requests and answer your questions.

This concludes my testimony related to HB1395.

Thank you for your consideration.

NDUS Coronavirus Relief Fund Request for Reallocated Funds
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Item / Service	NDUS Request	BSC	DCB	DSU	LRSC	MaSU	MISU	NDSCS	NDSU	UND	VCSU	WSC	NDUS System Office	NDUS Core Technology Services (CTS)
Cleaning & facility disinfection supplies & equipment; sanitization equipment	\$ 261,795		11,795					250,000						
Cleaning & facility disinfection staffing overtime, temp employees, contracted services, etc.)	70,080	46,080	17,000		7,000									
Medical & protective supplies (PPE, thermometers, masks, hand sanitizer, plexiglass barriers, etc.)	45,550	5,550	5,000		20,000		15,000							
Cost incurred for student, faculty & staff testing	673,585		18,000		11,910			1,675		642,000				
Housing, dining and other costs to care for isolated & quarantined individuals	506,083	71,788			5,000		10,000	1,700		417,595				
Medical/protective/security staffing (overtime, temp employees, contracted services, etc.)	1,535,496	141,024							1,186,069	208,403				
Dakota Digital Academy	200,000													200,000
HVAC Modification - Improved air quality - bipolar ionic equipment, HVAC filters, supplies, cleaning, humidification, rebalancing.	8,697,985	8,150	114,960		5,000	33,800	368,375	240,000	4,000,000	3,900,000		27,700		
Building & Equipment Modifications (including Building Access Control Systems/Automation)	10,955,288	638,000	10,000	867,150		162,709		118,800	6,274,829	2,635,000		248,800		
Technology Needs	2,965,152	900,614	114,000	350,000	130,538			75,000		1,258,500		136,500		
Instructional Design Resources (contracted, professional development, support svcs.)	1,134,350		35,250	50,000			153,900	75,000		605,000		215,200		
Academic Technology & Software - Hybrid Flex Model	2,308,131	445,092		220,000	161,600		441,970	48,989		691,750		298,730		
Academic Instructional Resources (contracted faculty, overload stipends, etc.)	183,858	50,000	7,500		40,758		35,600	50,000						
Statewide Communication & Outreach	223,780	73,780						150,000						
Expanded Behavioral Health & Telemental Health Services	200,000									200,000				
Total NDUS CRF Request	\$ 29,961,134	\$ 2,380,079	\$ 333,505	\$ 1,487,150	\$ 381,806	\$ 196,509	\$ 1,024,845	\$ 1,011,164	\$ 11,460,898	\$ 10,558,248	\$ -	\$ 926,930	\$ -	\$ 200,000