

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

SENATE BILL NO. 2011
(Appropriations Committee)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the highway patrol; to provide for a transfer; and to provide an exemption.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and federal funds, to the highway patrol for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the highway patrol, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
Highway patrol	\$68,085,546	\$14,653,962	\$82,739,508
New and vacant FTE pool	0	2,445,122	2,445,122
Total all funds	\$68,085,546	\$17,099,084	\$85,184,630
Less other funds	20,428,226	6,251,313	26,679,539
Total general fund	\$47,657,320	\$10,847,771	\$58,505,091
Full-time equivalent positions	205.00	0.00	205.00

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act which are not included in the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium and which the entity shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly regarding the use of this funding:

<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Motor pool costs	\$3,705,000	\$278,000	\$3,983,000
Conductive electronic weapon replacement	0	870,000	870,000
Emergency operations course resurface	0	260,000	260,000
Preliminary breath test devices	0	50,000	50,000
Gun replacement	0	200,000	200,000
Federal grant authority	0	480,000	480,000
Crash assistance position	0	194,000	194,000
Total	\$3,705,000	\$2,332,000	\$6,037,000

SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST. The highway patrol may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the highway patrol line item in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

SECTION 4. OTHER FUNDS - TRANSFER - HIGHWAY TAX DISTRIBUTION FUND. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$12,836,056, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, from the state highway tax distribution fund which may be transferred at the direction of the superintendent of the highway patrol for defraying the expenses of the highway patrol during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. OTHER FUNDS - MOTOR CARRIER ELECTRONIC PERMIT FUND. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$3,419,828 from the motor carrier electronic permit transaction fund for defraying various expenses associated with the issuance of permits and other nonenforcement motor carrier and administrative activities during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 6. PAYMENTS TO HIGHWAY PATROL OFFICERS. Each patrol officer of the state highway patrol is entitled to receive from funds appropriated in section 1 of this Act an amount not to exceed \$200 per month, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The payments are in lieu of reimbursement for meals and other expenses, except lodging, while in travel status within the state of North Dakota or while at the patrol officers' respective home stations. The amounts must be paid at the time and in the same manner as salaries are paid to members of the highway patrol and may be paid without the presentation of receipts or other memorandums.

SECTION 7. EXEMPTION - UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS. The sum of \$45,000 appropriated from the motor carrier electronic permit transaction fund for technology enhancements in section 1 of chapter 11 of the 2023 Session Laws is not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds may be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2011.

Senate Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0

House Vote: Yeas 92 Nays 1 Absent 1

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2025,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State