

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

SENATE BILL NO. 2013
(Appropriations Committee)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the commissioner of university and school lands; to provide for distributions from permanent funds; and to provide for a report.

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 from special funds, to the commissioner of university and school lands for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commissioner of university and school lands, 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>
Salaries and wages	\$8,005,331	\$1,835,598	\$9,840,929
New and vacant FTE pool	0	419,754	419,754
Operating expenses	1,763,694	(164,362)	1,599,332
Contingencies	<u>100,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>100,000</u>
Total special funds	\$9,869,025	\$2,090,990	\$11,960,015
Full-time equivalent positions	33.00	1.00	34.00

SECTION 2. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST. The commissioner of university and school lands 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 salaries and wages 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 3. DISTRIBUTIONS TO STATE INSTITUTIONS. Pursuant to article IX of the Constitution of North Dakota, the board of university and school lands shall distribute during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, the following amounts, from the permanent funds managed for the benefit of the following entities:

Common schools	\$584,677,350
North Dakota state university	8,770,000
University of North Dakota	6,948,000
Youth correctional center	3,136,000
School for the deaf	2,388,000
North Dakota state college of science	2,570,284
State hospital	1,976,284
Veterans' home	994,284
Valley City state university	1,566,000
North Dakota vision services - school for the blind	1,936,284
Mayville state university	1,102,000
Dakota college at Bottineau	406,284
Dickinson state university	406,284
Minot state university	<u>406,284</u>
Total	\$617,283,338

SECTION 4. REVENUE DIVERSIFICATION AND DEVELOPMENT OPPORTUNITIES - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - REPORT. During the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, the commissioner of university and school lands and the commissioner of commerce

shall collaborate to identify revenue diversification and development opportunities on trust lands. The commissioner of university and school lands shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly on the results of the collaboration to identify revenue diversification and development opportunities.

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. 2013.

Senate Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 2 Absent 0

House Vote: Yeas 67 Nays 22 Absent 5

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