

April 4, 2025

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

SENATE BILL NO. 2234

Introduced by

Senator Davison

Representatives Conmy, Sanford, Schreiber-Beck

In place of the amendments (25.1169.01001) adopted by the House, Senate Bill No. 2234 is amended by amendment (25.1169.01002) as follows:

1 A BILL for an Act to provide ~~an appropriation to the department of public instruction for a~~
2 statement of legislative intent regarding choice ready grants to school districts.

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

4 **SECTION 1. ~~APPROPRIATION~~LEGISLATIVE INTENT - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC**
5 **INSTRUCTION - CHOICE READY GRANTS.** ~~There is appropriated out of any moneys in the~~
6 ~~general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,000,000, or so~~
7 ~~much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of public instruction for the purpose of~~
8 ~~providing competitive choice ready grants to school districts to assist high school students in~~
9 ~~meeting the requirements of the state's choice ready framework, for the biennium beginning~~
10 ~~July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly~~
11 that the superintendent of public instruction seek federal funds or other grant opportunities to
12 continue to provide competitive choice ready grants to school districts to assist high school
13 students in meeting the requirements of the state's choice ready framework. It is further the
14 intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that:

15 1. The state's choice ready framework ~~must~~ align to the state's prekindergarten through
16 grade twelve strategic vision that all students will graduate with the knowledge, skills,
17 and disposition needed to be successful.

18 2. The ~~department~~superintendent of public instruction ~~shall~~ create an application and
19 develop selection criteria for grant awards.

- 1 | 3. To be eligible for a choice ready grant, school districts ~~shall~~ complete a grant
2 | application and include information regarding how grant funds will provide
3 | opportunities for students to acquire essential skills and meet the postsecondary
4 | ready, workforce ready, or military ready pathway requirements of the choice ready
5 | framework.
6 | 4. School districts ~~may~~ not use choice ready grant funds for general supplies or
7 | equipment.
8 | 5. Grant funds ~~must~~ be used to provide students with experiences to ensure success
9 | after high school.