

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

HOUSE BILL NO. 1581
(Representatives Finley-DeVile, Brown, Davis, Ista)
(Senators Mathern, Walen)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the department of commerce for tribal tourism grants; and to provide for a legislative management report.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - TRIBAL TOURISM GRANTS - ONE-TIME FUNDING - LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT REPORT. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$100,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of commerce for the purpose of providing tribal tourism grants, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. A tribal government in the state may apply to the department of commerce for a grant of up to \$20,000 to match funds committed by a tribal government to promote and enhance tribal nation tourism opportunities. A grant application must include a plan for using funds to promote and enhance tribal nation tourism opportunities to be overseen by the department of commerce division of tourism. The department of commerce shall report to legislative management regarding the distribution, use, and impact of grants. The appropriation provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1581.

House Vote: Yeas 82 Nays 9 Absent 2

Senate Vote: Yeas 40 Nays 6 Absent 1

Chief Clerk of the House

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