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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2011

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the highway patrol;
- 2 and to provide for a transfer; and to provide an exemption.

3 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

7 federal funds, to the highway patrol for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the highway

8 patrol, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

9		Adjustments or				
10	ı	Base Level	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>		
11	Highway patrol	\$68,085,546	\$13,508,962	\$81,594,508		
12	New and vacant FTE pool	<u>0</u>	2,445,122	2,445,122		
13	Total all funds	\$68,085,546	\$15,954,084	\$84,039,630		
14	Less other funds	20,428,226	<u>5,305,313</u>	25,733,539		
15	Total general fund	\$47,657,320	\$10,648,771	\$58,306,091		
16	Full-time equivalent positions	205.00	0.00	205.00		
17	Highway patrol	\$68,085,546	\$14,653,962	\$82,739,508		
18	New and vacant FTE pool	0	2,445,122	2,445,122		
19	Total all funds	\$68,085,546	\$17,099,084	\$85,184,630		

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1	Less other funds	20,428,226	6,251,313	26,679,539
2	Total general fund	\$47,657,320	\$10,847,771	\$58,505,091
3	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:

9	One-Time Funding Description	General Fund	Other Funds	<u>Total</u>
10	Motor pool costs	\$3,275,000	\$208,000	\$3,483,000
11	Motor pool costs	\$3,705,000	\$278,000	\$3,983,000
12	Conductive electronic weapon replacen	nent 0	870,000	870,000
13	Emergency operations course resurface	e 0	260,000	260,000
14	Preliminary breath test devices	43,000	7,000	50,000
15	Shooting range ventilation	30,000	5,000	35,000
16	Body armor	158,000	26,000	184,000
17	Preliminary breath test devices	0	50,000	50,000
18	Gun replacement	0	200,000	200,000
19	Federal grant authority	0	480,000	480,000
20	Crash assistance position	<u>0</u>	<u>194,000</u>	<u>194,000</u>
21	Total	\$3,506,000	\$1,570,000	\$5,076,000
22	<u>Total</u>	\$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 - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.

The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$260,000 from the strategic

SECTION 4. OTHER FUNDS - TRANSFER - HIGHWAY TAX DISTRIBUTION FUND. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$12,804,056\$12,897,056, 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

8 June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. OTHER FUNDS - MOTOR CARRIER ELECTRONIC PERMIT FUND. The other funds line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$2,725,828\$3,358,828 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.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2011 - Highway Patrol - House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
New and vacant FTE pool		\$2,445,122		\$2,445,122
Highway Patrol	\$68,085,546	81,594,508	\$1,145,000	82,739,508
Total all funds	\$68,085,546	\$84,039,630	\$1,145,000	\$85,184,630
Less estimated income	20,428,226	25,733,539	946,000	26,679,539
General fund	\$47,657,320	\$58,306,091	\$199,000	\$58,505,091
FTE	205.00	205.00	0.00	205.00

Department 504 - Highway Patrol - Detail of House Changes

	Adjusts Funding Sources ¹	Increases Funding for Motorpool Costs ²	Removes Funding for Shooting Range Ventilation ³	Adds Funding for Handgun Replacement ⁴	Adds Federal Funds Authority ⁵	Total House Changes
New and vacant FTE pool Highway Patrol		\$500,000	(\$35,000)	\$200,000	\$480,000	\$1,145,000
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$0 201,000 (\$201,000)	\$500,000 70,000 \$430,000	(\$35,000) (5,000) (\$30,000)	\$200,000 200,000 \$0	\$480,000 480,000 \$0	\$1,145,000 946,000 \$199,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ The source of funding is adjusted for the following items:

Senate Bill No. 2011 - Other Changes - House Action

This amendment also:

- Adds a section to authorize the Highway Patrol to continue unexpended 2023-25 biennium appropriations for technology projects into the 2025-27 biennium.
- Removes a section identifying funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund.
- Adjusts sections identifying funding from the highway tax distribution fund and motor carrier electronic permit transaction fund.

[•] Funding from the general fund for body armor (\$158,000) is changed to the motor carrier electronic permit transaction fund.

[•] Funding from the general fund for preliminary breath test devices (\$43,000) is changed to the motor carrier electronic permit transaction fund.

[•] Funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund for an emergency vehicle operations course resurface project (\$260,000) is changed to the motor carrier electronic permit transaction fund.

² One-time funding is increased for estimated 2025-27 biennium state fleet costs.

³ Funding added by the Senate for shooting range ventilation improvements is removed.

⁴ One-time funding from the motor carrier electronic permit transaction fund (\$172,000) and highway tax distribution fund (\$28,000) is added for the replacement of agency handguns.

⁵ One-time federal funds authority is added for a federal Department of Justice grant for in-car router system improvements, which was initially authorized by the Emergency Commission for the 2023-25 biennium.