

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments**

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2267

Introduced by

Senators B. Stenehjem, Christmann, Tomac

Representatives Grande, Hanson, Henegar

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 24-02 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to the special road committee; to amend and reenact subsection 3 of
3 section 24-02-37 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the special road fund; to
4 provide an effective date; and to declare an emergency.

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

6 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 24-02-37 of the 1997
7 Supplement to the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

8 3. The state treasurer shall deposit the moneys in the state highway fund in an
9 interest-bearing account at the Bank of North Dakota. ~~Any~~ The state treasurer
10 shall deposit forty percent of the income derived from the deposit of the moneys
11 must be retained in the state highway interest-bearing account in a special
12 interest-bearing account in the state treasury known as the special road fund. The
13 special road fund may be used, within the limits of legislative appropriation,
14 exclusively for the construction and maintenance of access roads to and roads
15 within recreational, tourist, and historical areas as designated by the special road
16 committee. A political subdivision or state agency may request funds from the
17 special road fund by applying to the committee on forms designated by the
18 committee. The committee may require the political subdivision or state agency to
19 contribute to the cost of the project as a condition of any expenditure authorized
20 from the special road fund. Any moneys in the fund not obligated by the special
21 road committee on June thirtieth of each odd-numbered year must revert to the
22 state highway fund.

23 **SECTION 2.** A new section to chapter 24-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is
24 created and enacted as follows:

1 **Special road committee.** The special road committee consists of one member of the
2 senate and one member of the house of representatives appointed by the chairman of the
3 legislative council, the director of the game and fish department, the director of the parks and
4 recreation department, and the director of the department of transportation. The director of the
5 department of transportation is chairman of the committee. The committee must meet at the
6 call of the director to review requests for funding from the special road fund. The committee
7 shall decide which project requests will receive funding. The director shall provide staff
8 services to the committee. The members of the committee who are members of the legislative
9 assembly are entitled to compensation from the department of transportation, from moneys
10 appropriated from the special road fund, for attendance at committee meetings at the rate
11 provided for members of the legislative assembly for attendance at interim committee meetings
12 and are entitled to reimbursement for expenses incurred in attending the meetings in the
13 amounts provided by law for other state officers.

14 **SECTION 3. EFFECTIVE DATE.** This Act becomes effective July 1, 1999.

15 **SECTION 4. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.