

February 7, 2011

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2242

Page 1, line 1, after "reenact" insert "subsection 5 of section 57-15-56 and"

Page 1, line 2, after the first "to" insert "a matching grant from the senior citizen services and programs fund to counties and"

Page 1, after line 4, insert:

**"SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 5 of section 57-15-56 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5. The state treasurer shall provide matching funds as provided in this subsection for counties for senior citizen services and programs funded as required by this section. The grants must be made on or before March first of each year to each eligible county. A county receiving a grant under this section which has not levied a tax under this section shall transfer the amount received to a city within the county which has levied a tax under this section. A grant may not be made to any county that has not filed with the state treasurer a written report verifying that grant funds received in the previous year under this subsection have been budgeted for the same purposes permitted for the expenditure of proceeds of a tax levied under this section. The written report must be received by the state treasurer on or before February first of each year following a year in which the reporting county received grant funds under this subsection. A matching fund grant must be provided from the senior citizen services and programs fund to each eligible county equal to ~~two-thirds~~ of the amount levied in dollars in the county under this section for the taxable year, but the matching fund grant applies only to a levy of up to one mill under this section.

It is the intent of the legislative assembly that counties or cities allocate an amount equal to ~~one-third~~ of one mill of property tax revenue from their funds raised or received under section 57-15-06, 57-15-08, or 57-39.2-26.1, or any combination of those fund sources, for senior citizen services and programs for each taxable year. A continuing appropriation of state matching funds and expectation of a local matching fund effort is initiated because of the anticipated increase in state aid distribution fund allocations, with the intent of stabilizing matching funds for senior citizen services and programs at a funding level of one mill for all participating counties. A county is not required to provide the ~~one-third~~ of one mill matching funds if the county program can be covered with the funding from the state and the levy under this section in the county. It is also anticipated that this change in funding will allow reduction of mill levies under this section in some counties, which will allow allocation of unused amounts under section 57-39.2-26.2 among counties levying the statutory maximum amount for taxable year 2004."

Renumber accordingly