

Sixty-fifth  
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of North Dakota

## ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2003

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota  
2 university system; to create and enact a new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota  
3 Century Code, relating to approval of capital projects requested by institutions under the control  
4 of the state board of higher education; and to amend and reenact sections 15-10-48, 15-10-49,  
5 15-18.2-05, 54-10-22.1, and 54-44.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to matching  
6 grants for institutions under the control of the state board of higher education, state aid to  
7 institutions, protecting donor records from audits of university and college foundations and the  
8 cancellation of unexpended appropriations; to repeal chapter 15-10.2 of the North Dakota  
9 Century Code, relating to the midwestern higher education compact; to provide for the transfer  
10 of funds; to authorize the state board of higher education to issue and sell bonds for capital  
11 projects; to provide ~~exemptions~~an exemption; to authorize the conveyance of real property  
12 owned by the state of North Dakota; to provide for legislative management reports; to provide  
13 legislative intent; and to declare an emergency.

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

15 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
16 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
17 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
18 other income, to the state board of higher education and to the entities and institutions under  
19 the supervision of the board, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the state board of  
20 higher education and the entities and institutions under the control of the board, for the  
21 biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, as follows:

22 ~~— Subdivision 1.~~

23 **NORTH DAKOTA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OFFICE**

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		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
1				
2				
3	Capital assets – bond payments	\$6,901,461	(\$296,135)	\$6,605,326
4	Competitive research programs	6,588,225	(560,475)	6,027,750
5	System governance	7,212,636	334,624	7,547,260
6	Title II	1,006,472	0	1,006,472
7	Core technology services	41,325,593	20,227,156	61,552,749
8	Student financial assistance grants	23,886,160	(1,968,854)	21,917,306
9	Professional student exchange program	3,941,754	(242,412)	3,699,342
10	Academic and technical education	13,134,096	(1,117,347)	12,016,749
11	—scholarship			
12	Two-year campus marketing	747,600	(290,100)	457,500
13	Scholars program	2,113,584	(306,469)	1,807,115
14	Native American scholarship	649,267	(93,944)	555,323
15	Tribally controlled community college grants	967,250	(64,750)	902,500
16	Education incentive programs	3,349,000	(485,607)	2,863,393
17	Student mental health	308,100	(23,700)	284,400
18	Veterans' assistance grants	325,000	(47,125)	277,875
19	Commendation grants	4,486	(4,486)	0
20	Internal audit pool	280,350	(50,850)	229,500
21	Open education resources	0	100,000	100,000
22	Shared campus services	0	200,000	200,000
23	Total all funds	\$112,741,034	\$15,309,526	\$128,050,560
24	Less estimated income	<u>2,511,216</u>	<u>23,709,908</u>	<u>26,221,124</u>
25	Total general fund	\$110,229,818	(\$8,400,382)	\$101,829,436
26	Full-time equivalent positions	104.39	43.01	147.40
27	— Subdivision 2:			
28	<b>BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE</b>			
29			Adjustments or	
30		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
31	Operations	\$34,214,004	\$67,535,715	\$101,749,719

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1	Capital assets	<u>67,732</u>	<u>1,854,829</u>	<u>1,922,561</u>
2	Total all funds	\$34,281,736	\$69,390,544	\$103,672,280
3	Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>73,042,557</u>	<u>73,042,557</u>
4	Total general fund	\$34,281,736	(\$3,652,013)	\$30,629,723
5	Full-time equivalent positions	133.53	224.82	358.35

6 — Subdivision 3.

7 LAKE REGION STATE COLLEGE

8			Adjustments or	
9		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
10	Operations	\$14,143,353	\$22,335,288	\$36,478,641
11	Capital assets	<u>0</u>	<u>362,667</u>	<u>362,667</u>
12	Total all funds	\$14,143,353	\$22,697,955	\$36,841,308
13	Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>24,128,597</u>	<u>24,128,597</u>
14	Total general fund	\$14,143,353	(\$1,430,642)	\$12,712,711
15	Full-time equivalent positions	50.19	79.42	129.61

16 — Subdivision 4.

17 WILLISTON STATE COLLEGE

18			Adjustments or	
19		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
20	Operations	\$9,191,151	\$17,781,678	\$26,972,829
21	Capital assets	<u>197,801</u>	<u>1,064,167</u>	<u>1,261,968</u>
22	Total all funds	\$9,388,952	\$18,845,845	\$28,234,797
23	Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>19,866,337</u>	<u>19,866,337</u>
24	Total general fund	\$9,388,952	(\$1,020,492)	\$8,368,460
25	Full-time equivalent positions	49.96	50.79	100.75

26 — Subdivision 5.

27 UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

28			Adjustments or	
29		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
30	Operations	\$146,572,961	\$712,564,782	\$859,137,743
31	Capital assets	<u>4,411,566</u>	<u>91,000,000</u>	<u>95,411,566</u>

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1	Total all funds	\$150,984,527	\$803,564,782	\$954,549,309
2	Less estimated income	0	820,277,023	820,277,023
3	Total general fund	\$150,984,527	(\$16,712,241)	\$134,272,286
4	Full-time equivalent positions	630.20	1,587.87	2,218.07
5	Subdivision 6:			
6	NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY			
7			Adjustments or	
8		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
9	Operations	\$144,323,680	\$589,845,616	\$734,169,296
10	Capital assets	2,732,244	54,571,860	57,304,104
11	Total all funds	\$147,055,924	\$644,417,476	\$791,473,400
12	Less estimated income	0	661,687,739	661,687,739
13	Total general fund	\$147,055,924	(\$17,270,263)	\$129,785,661
14	Full-time equivalent positions	537.10	1,358.56	1,895.66
15	Subdivision 7:			
16	NORTH DAKOTA STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE			
17			Adjustments or	
18		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
19	Operations	\$40,916,239	\$50,836,625	\$91,752,864
20	Capital assets	0	1,012,379	1,012,379
21	Total all funds	\$40,916,239	\$51,849,004	\$92,765,243
22	Less estimated income	0	57,642,469	57,642,469
23	Total general fund	\$40,916,239	(\$5,793,465)	\$35,122,774
24	Full-time equivalent positions	168.30	176.74	345.04
25	Subdivision 8:			
26	DICKINSON STATE UNIVERSITY			
27			Adjustments or	
28		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
29	Operations	\$24,527,233	\$24,948,506	\$49,475,739
30	Capital assets	0	409,078	409,078
31	Total all funds	\$24,527,233	\$25,357,584	\$49,884,817

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1	Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>29,750,982</u>	<u>29,750,982</u>
2	Total general fund	\$24,527,233	(\$4,393,398)	\$20,133,835
3	Full-time equivalent positions	120.26	48.64	168.90
4	Subdivision 9:			
5	MAYVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY			
6			Adjustments or	
7		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
8	Operations	\$15,642,731	\$28,600,985	\$44,243,716
9	Capital assets	<u>0</u>	<u>358,992</u>	<u>358,992</u>
10	Total all funds	\$15,642,731	\$28,959,977	\$44,602,708
11	Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>30,339,206</u>	<u>30,339,206</u>
12	Total general fund	\$15,642,731	(\$1,379,229)	\$14,263,502
13	Full-time equivalent positions	66.23	144.30	210.53
14	Subdivision 10:			
15	MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY			
16			Adjustments or	
17		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
18	Operations	\$45,037,266	\$55,766,011	\$100,803,277
19	Capital assets	<u>499,620</u>	<u>600,000</u>	<u>1,099,620</u>
20	Total all funds	\$45,536,886	\$56,366,011	\$101,902,897
21	Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>62,113,151</u>	<u>62,113,151</u>
22	Total general fund	\$45,536,886	(\$5,747,140)	\$39,789,746
23	Full-time equivalent positions	204.10	237.55	441.65
24	Subdivision 11:			
25	VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY			
26			Adjustments or	
27		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
28	Operations	\$23,218,126	\$25,269,391	\$48,487,517
29	Capital assets	<u>0</u>	<u>455,823</u>	<u>455,823</u>
30	Total all funds	\$23,218,126	\$25,725,214	\$48,943,340
31	Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>28,493,914</u>	<u>28,493,914</u>

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1	Total general fund	\$23,218,126	(\$2,768,700)	\$20,449,426
2	Full-time equivalent positions	105.59	97.16	202.75
3	Subdivision 12:			
4	DAKOTA COLLEGE AT BOTTINEAU			
5		Adjustments or		
6		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
7	Operations	\$8,017,920	\$9,166,980	\$17,184,900
8	Capital assets	86,537	27,470	114,007
9	Total all funds	\$8,104,457	\$9,194,450	\$17,298,907
10	Less estimated income	0	9,638,678	9,638,678
11	Total general fund	\$8,104,457	(\$444,228)	\$7,660,229
12	Full-time equivalent positions	46.96	37.34	84.30
13	Subdivision 13:			
14	UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MEDIGINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES			
15		Adjustments or		
16		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
17	Operations	\$53,166,247	\$158,723,654	\$211,889,901
18	Capital assets	0	0	0
19	Total all funds	\$53,166,247	\$158,723,654	\$211,889,901
20	Less estimated income	0	154,971,764	154,971,764
21	Total general fund	\$53,166,247	\$3,751,890	\$56,918,137
22	Full-time equivalent positions	184.58	251.17	435.75
23	Subdivision 14:			
24	NORTH DAKOTA FOREST SERVICE			
25		Adjustments or		
26		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
27	Operations	\$6,228,620	\$8,735,426	\$14,964,046
28	Capital assets	101,210	17,518	118,728
29	Total all funds	\$6,329,830	\$8,752,944	\$15,082,774
30	Less estimated income	1,650,000	9,000,748	10,650,748

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1	Total general fund	\$4,679,830	(\$247,804)	\$4,432,026
2	Full-time equivalent positions	28.96	(1.96)	27.00
3	<del>Subdivision 15.</del>			
4	<b>BILL TOTAL</b>			
5			Adjustments or	
6		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
7	Grand total general fund	\$681,876,059	(\$65,508,107)	\$616,367,952
8	Grand total special funds	4,161,216	2,004,663,073	2,008,824,289
9	Grand total all funds	\$686,037,275	\$1,939,154,966	\$2,625,192,241
10	<u>Subdivision 1.</u>			
11	<b><u>NORTH DAKOTA UNIVERSITY SYSTEM OFFICE</u></b>			
12			Adjustments or	
13		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
14	Capital assets - bond payments	\$6,901,461	(\$296,135)	\$6,605,326
15	Competitive research programs	6,588,225	(560,475)	6,027,750
16	System governance	7,212,636	1,180,602	8,393,238
17	Title II	1,006,472	0	1,006,472
18	Core technology services	41,325,593	20,201,754	61,527,347
19	Student financial assistance grants	23,886,160	(1,968,854)	21,917,306
20	Professional student exchange program	3,941,754	(242,412)	3,699,342
21	Academic and technical education	13,134,096	(1,117,347)	12,016,749
22	<u>scholarship</u>			
23	Two-year campus marketing	747,600	(290,100)	457,500
24	Scholars program	2,113,584	(306,469)	1,807,115
25	Native American scholarship	649,267	(93,944)	555,323
26	Tribally controlled community college grants	967,250	(367,250)	600,000
27	Education incentive programs	3,349,000	(485,607)	2,863,393
28	Student mental health	308,100	(23,700)	284,400
29	Veterans' assistance grants	325,000	(47,125)	277,875
30	Commendation grants	4,486	(4,486)	0
31	Internal audit pool	280,350	(280,350)	0

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1	Shared campus services	0	500,000	500,000
2	Two-year campus study	0	40,000	40,000
3	Total all funds	\$112,741,034	\$15,838,102	\$128,579,136
4	Less estimated income	2,511,216	23,700,890	26,212,106
5	Total general fund	\$110,229,818	(\$7,862,788)	\$102,367,030
6	Full-time equivalent positions	104.39	45.01	149.40

7 Subdivision 2.

8 BISMARCK STATE COLLEGE

9		<u>Adjustments or</u>		
10		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
11	Operations	\$34,214,004	\$67,456,030	\$101,670,034
12	Capital assets	67,732	1,854,829	1,922,561
13	Total all funds	\$34,281,736	\$69,310,859	\$103,592,595
14	Less estimated income	0	72,991,998	72,991,998
15	Total general fund	\$34,281,736	(\$3,681,139)	\$30,600,597
16	Full-time equivalent positions	133.53	224.82	358.35

17 Subdivision 3.

18 LAKE REGION STATE COLLEGE

19		<u>Adjustments or</u>		
20		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
21	Operations	\$14,143,353	\$22,305,695	\$36,449,048
22	Capital assets	0	362,667	362,667
23	Total all funds	\$14,143,353	\$22,668,362	\$36,811,715
24	Less estimated income	0	24,111,092	24,111,092
25	Total general fund	\$14,143,353	(\$1,442,730)	\$12,700,623
26	Full-time equivalent positions	50.19	79.42	129.61

27 Subdivision 4.

28 WILLISTON STATE COLLEGE

29		<u>Adjustments or</u>		
30		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
31	Operations	\$9,191,151	\$17,762,982	\$26,954,133

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1	Capital assets	197,801	1,064,167	1,261,968
2	Total all funds	\$9,388,952	\$18,827,149	\$28,216,101
3	Less estimated income	0	19,855,598	19,855,598
4	Total general fund	\$9,388,952	(\$1,028,449)	\$8,360,503
5	Full-time equivalent positions	49.96	50.79	100.75

Subdivision 5.

UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA

		Adjustments or		
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation	
8				
9				
10	Operations	\$146,572,961	\$711,098,824	\$857,671,785
11	Capital assets	4,411,566	91,000,000	95,411,566
12	Total all funds	\$150,984,527	\$802,098,824	\$953,083,351
13	Less estimated income	0	819,870,450	819,870,450
14	Total general fund	\$150,984,527	(\$17,771,626)	\$133,212,901
15	Full-time equivalent positions	630.20	1,587.87	2,218.07

Subdivision 6.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

		Adjustments or		
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation	
18				
19				
20	Operations	\$144,323,680	\$584,579,587	\$728,903,267
21	Capital assets	2,732,244	82,571,860	85,304,104
22	Total all funds	\$147,055,924	\$667,151,447	\$814,207,371
23	Less estimated income	0	689,386,329	689,386,329
24	Total general fund	\$147,055,924	(\$22,234,882)	\$124,821,042
25	Full-time equivalent positions	537.10	1,358.56	1,895.66

Subdivision 7.

NORTH DAKOTA STATE COLLEGE OF SCIENCE

		Adjustments or		
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation	
28				
29				
30	Operations	\$40,916,239	\$50,386,085	\$91,302,324
31	Capital assets	0	1,012,379	1,012,379

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1	Total all funds	\$40,916,239	\$51,398,464	\$92,314,703
2	Less estimated income	0	57,605,613	57,605,613
3	Total general fund	\$40,916,239	(\$6,207,149)	\$34,709,090
4	Full-time equivalent positions	168.30	176.74	345.04
5	<u>Subdivision 8.</u>			
6	<u>DICKINSON STATE UNIVERSITY</u>			
7			<u>Adjustments or</u>	
8		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
9	Operations	\$24,527,233	\$22,500,073	\$47,027,306
10	Capital assets	0	409,078	409,078
11	Total all funds	\$24,527,233	\$22,909,151	\$47,436,384
12	Less estimated income	0	29,737,827	29,737,827
13	Total general fund	\$24,527,233	(\$6,828,676)	\$17,698,557
14	Full-time equivalent positions	120.26	48.64	168.90
15	<u>Subdivision 9.</u>			
16	<u>MAYVILLE STATE UNIVERSITY</u>			
17			<u>Adjustments or</u>	
18		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
19	Operations	\$15,642,731	\$28,395,030	\$44,037,761
20	Capital assets	0	358,992	358,992
21	Total all funds	\$15,642,731	\$28,754,022	\$44,396,753
22	Less estimated income	0	30,307,148	30,307,148
23	Total general fund	\$15,642,731	(\$1,553,126)	\$14,089,605
24	Full-time equivalent positions	66.23	144.30	210.53
25	<u>Subdivision 10.</u>			
26	<u>MINOT STATE UNIVERSITY</u>			
27			<u>Adjustments or</u>	
28		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
29	Operations	\$45,037,266	\$55,564,723	\$100,601,989
30	Capital assets	499,620	600,000	1,099,620
31	Total all funds	\$45,536,886	\$56,164,723	\$101,701,609

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1	Less estimated income	0	62,058,916	62,058,916
2	Total general fund	\$45,536,886	(\$5,894,193)	\$39,642,693
3	Full-time equivalent positions	204.10	237.55	441.65
4	<u>Subdivision 11.</u>			
5	<u>VALLEY CITY STATE UNIVERSITY</u>			
6			Adjustments or	
7		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
8	Operations	\$23,218,126	\$24,988,210	\$48,206,336
9	Capital assets	0	455,823	455,823
10	Total all funds	\$23,218,126	\$25,444,033	\$48,662,159
11	Less estimated income	0	28,470,657	28,470,657
12	Total general fund	\$23,218,126	(\$3,026,624)	\$20,191,502
13	Full-time equivalent positions	105.59	97.16	202.75
14	<u>Subdivision 12.</u>			
15	<u>DAKOTA COLLEGE AT BOTTINEAU</u>			
16			Adjustments or	
17		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
18	Operations	\$8,017,920	\$9,041,905	\$17,059,825
19	Capital assets	86,537	27,470	114,007
20	Total all funds	\$8,104,457	\$9,069,375	\$17,173,832
21	Less estimated income	0	9,629,173	9,629,173
22	Total general fund	\$8,104,457	(\$559,798)	\$7,544,659
23	Full-time equivalent positions	46.96	37.34	84.30
24	<u>Subdivision 13.</u>			
25	<u>UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH SCIENCES</u>			
26			Adjustments or	
27		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
28	Operations	\$53,166,247	\$158,723,654	\$211,889,901
29	Total all funds	\$53,166,247	\$158,723,654	\$211,889,901
30	Less estimated income	0	151,578,620	151,578,620

1	Total general fund	\$53,166,247	\$7,145,034	\$60,311,281
2	Full-time equivalent positions	184.58	251.17	435.75
3	<u>Subdivision 14.</u>			
4	<u>NORTH DAKOTA FOREST SERVICE</u>			
5			<u>Adjustments or</u>	
6		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
7	Operations	\$6,228,620	\$8,729,827	\$14,958,447
8	Capital assets	101,210	17,518	118,728
9	Total all funds	\$6,329,830	\$8,747,345	\$15,077,175
10	Less estimated income	1,650,000	9,000,748	10,650,748
11	Total general fund	\$4,679,830	(\$253,403)	\$4,426,427
12	Full-time equivalent positions	28.96	(1.96)	27.00

13	<u>Subdivision 15.</u>			
14	<u>BILL TOTAL</u>			
15			<u>Adjustments or</u>	
16		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
17	Grand total general fund	\$681,876,059	(\$71,199,549)	\$610,676,510
18	Grand total special funds	4,161,216	2,028,305,059	2,032,466,275
19	Grand total all funds	\$686,037,275	\$1,957,105,510	\$2,643,142,785

**SECTION 2. HEALTH INSURANCE INCREASE.** Section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$17,991,140, of which \$5,638,788 is from the general fund, for increases in employee health insurance premiums from \$1,130 to \$1,241 per month.

**SECTION 3. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO THE SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-fourth legislative assembly as adjusted for the 2015-17 biennium and the 2017-19 biennium one-time funding items included in section 1 of this Act:

	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2015-17</u>	<u>2017-19</u>
28	Capital projects - general funds	\$99,167,288	\$0
29	Capital projects - other funds	44,848,194	0
30	Campus security pool	2,763,562	0
31	Core technology services projects	2,821,500	0

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1	Open education resource training	107,250	0
2	Theodore Roosevelt center	800,000	0
3	Williston state college energy development impact	2,500,000	0
4	Dickinson state university leadership transition	2,000,000	0
5	Museum of art deferred maintenance	760,000	0
6	Deferred maintenance pool	8,482,500	0
7	School of medicine and health sciences residency positions	4,700,000	0
8	Health care workforce initiative	13,814,806	0
9	Desktop support services	81,750	0
10	Email retention	350,000	0
11	Dickinson state university Woods Hall renovation	11,500,000	0
12	<del>Education challenge grants</del>	<del>22,124,500</del>	<del>0</del>
13	<del>Total all funds</del>	<del>\$216,821,350</del>	<del>\$0</del>
14	<del>Total other funds</del>	<del>60,848,194</del>	<del>0</del>
15	<del>Total general fund</del>	<del>\$155,973,156</del>	<del>\$0</del>
16	<u>Education challenge grants</u>	<u>22,124,500</u>	<u>0</u>
17	<u>Two-year campus study</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>40,000</u>
18	<u>Midwestern higher education compact dues</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>230,000</u>
19	<u>Total all funds</u>	<u>\$216,821,350</u>	<u>\$270,000</u>
20	<u>Total other funds</u>	<u>60,848,194</u>	<u>0</u>
21	<u>Total general fund</u>	<u>\$155,973,156</u>	<u>\$270,000</u>

22 The 2017-19 biennium one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for  
 23 the 2019-21 biennium. The North Dakota university system shall report to the appropriations  
 24 committees of the sixty-sixth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the  
 25 biennium July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.

26 **SECTION 4. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-10-48 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
 27 amended and reenacted as follows:  
 28 **15-10-48. Advancement of academics - Matching grants - University of North Dakota**  
 29 **and North Dakota state university.**  
 30 1. a. ~~During the period beginning July 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2016~~Subject  
 31 to legislative appropriations, each biennium during the period beginning July first

1 of each odd-numbered year and ending December thirty-first of each even-  
2 numbered year, the state board of higher education shall award one dollar in  
3 matching grants for every two dollars raised by the institutional foundations of the  
4 university of North Dakota and North Dakota state university for projects  
5 dedicated exclusively to the advancement of academics.

6 b. To be eligible for a matching grant, an institution must demonstrate that:

7 (1) Its foundation has raised at least fifty thousand dollars in cash or monetary  
8 pledges for a qualifying project; and

9 (2) The project has been approved by the grant review committee established  
10 in section 15-10-51.

11 c. The board may award up to seven million dollars in matching grants to each  
12 institution. The first two million dollars in matching grants awarded to each  
13 institution must be used for student scholarships that comply with section  
14 15-10-53.

15 2. a. If any available dollars have not been awarded by the board before January ~~4,~~  
16 2017first of each odd-numbered year, in accordance with subsection 1, either the  
17 university of North Dakota or North Dakota state university may apply for an  
18 additional matching grant.

19 b. An application submitted under this subsection must meet the same criteria as an  
20 original application.

21 c. The board shall consider each application submitted under this subsection in  
22 chronological order.

23 d. If the remaining dollars are insufficient to provide a matching grant in the amount  
24 of one dollar for every two dollars raised by the institutional foundation, the board  
25 shall award a lesser amount.

26 3. The state board of higher education shall retain up to one-quarter of one percent of  
27 any grant awarded under this section to assist with administrative expenses incurred  
28 in the grant review process.

29 **SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-10-49 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
30 amended and reenacted as follows:

1       **15-10-49. Advancement of academics - Matching grants - Two-year and four-year**  
2 **institutions of higher education.**

- 3       1.   a.   ~~During the period beginning July 1, 2015, and ending December 31, 2016~~Subject  
4           to legislative appropriations, each biennium during the period beginning July first  
5           of each odd-numbered year and ending December thirty-first of each even-  
6           numbered year, the state board of higher education shall award one dollar in  
7           matching grants for every two dollars raised by the institutional foundations of  
8           Bismarck state college, Dakota college at Bottineau, Dickinson state university,  
9           Lake Region state college, Mayville state university, Minot state university, North  
10          Dakota state college of science, Valley City state university, and Williston state  
11          college for projects dedicated exclusively to the advancement of academics.  
12        b.   To be eligible for a matching grant, an institution must demonstrate that:  
13           (1)   Its foundation has raised at least twenty-five thousand dollars in cash or  
14           monetary pledges for a qualifying project; and  
15           (2)   The project has been approved by the grant review committee established  
16           in section 15-10-51.  
17        c.   The board may award up to one million dollars in matching grants to each  
18           institution.  
19        2.   a.   If any available dollars have not been awarded by the board before January ~~1,~~  
20           ~~2017~~first of each odd-numbered year, in accordance with subsection 1, any  
21           institution listed in subsection 1 may apply for an additional matching grant.  
22        b.   An application submitted under this subsection must meet the same criteria as an  
23           original application.  
24        c.   The board shall consider each application submitted under this subsection in  
25           chronological order.  
26        d.   If the remaining dollars are insufficient to provide a matching grant in the amount  
27           of one dollar for every two dollars raised by the institutional foundation, the board  
28           shall award a lesser amount.  
29        3.   a.   The board may award an additional five hundred thousand dollars in matching  
30           grants to institutions that have been awarded one million dollars in matching  
31           grants under subsection 1 and apply for an additional matching grant.

1           b. An application submitted under this subsection must meet the same criteria as an  
2           original application.

3           c. The board shall consider each application submitted under this subsection in  
4           chronological order.

5           d. If the funding provided under this subsection is insufficient to provide a matching  
6           grant in the amount of one dollar for every two dollars raised by the institutional  
7           foundation, the board shall award a lesser amount.

8           4. The state board of higher education shall retain up to one-quarter of one percent of  
9           any grant awarded under this section to assist with administrative expenses incurred  
10          in the grant review process.

11          **SECTION 6.** A new section to chapter 15-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is created  
12          and enacted as follows:

13          **Capital project and capital lease requests - Maintenance reserve account.**

14          1. An institution under the control of the state board of higher education must receive  
15          approval from the legislative assembly before the construction, purchase, lease,  
16          receipt, or utilization of any building or facility.

17          2. An institution under the control of the board must receive approval from the legislative  
18          assembly before constructing an addition to or renovating a building or facility if the  
19          cost of the addition or renovation exceeds seven hundred thousand dollars. This  
20          subsection does not apply to projects authorized by the budget section of the  
21          legislative management under section 15-10-12.1.

22          3. An institution under the control of the board may only seek approval from the  
23          legislative assembly under subsection 1 or 2 if the building or facility conforms to a  
24          campus master plan and space utilization study approved by the board.

25          4. An institution seeking approval under subsection 1 or 2 shall include funding for  
26          maintenance reserves in its request if the estimated cost of the project, or the  
27          appraised value of a building or facility being purchased or received, exceeds five  
28          million dollars. The maintenance reserve funds must total at least three percent of the  
29          cost of the project or the appraised value of the building or facility. If the request is  
30          approved by the legislative assembly, the maintenance reserve funds must be  
31          deposited in an account under the control of the state board of higher education to be

used only for future maintenance costs of the building or facility approved under this section.

**SECTION 7. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-18.2-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15-18.2-05. Base funding - Determination of state aid.**

In order to determine the state aid payment to which each institution under its control is entitled, the state board of higher education shall multiply the product determined under section 15-18.2-04 by a base amount of:

1. ~~\$72.63~~~~\$58.69~~\$58.65 in the case of North Dakota state university and the university of North Dakota;
2. ~~\$107.33~~~~\$87.03~~\$86.95 in the case of Dickinson state university, Mayville state university, Minot state university, and Valley City state university; and
3. ~~\$114.88~~~~\$93.12~~\$93.03 in the case of Bismarck state college, Dakota college at Bottineau, Lake Region state college, North Dakota state college of science, and Williston state college.

**SECTION 8. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-10-22.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**54-10-22.1. State auditor's access to information relating to operations of governmental entities subject to audit.**

Notwithstanding any other specific sections of law, the state auditor and persons employed by the state auditor, when necessary in conducting an audit, shall have access to all information relating to operations of all governmental units or component units subject to audit except active investigatory work product of the attorney general as defined in section 44-04-19.1 and financial records and estate planning records a donor provides to a nonprofit organization affiliated with an institution under the control of the state board of higher education which provides support to and is organized and operated for the benefit of the institution. Except for active investigatory work product of the attorney general as defined in section 44-04-19.1 and tax records as described in section 54-10-24, the state auditor may inspect any state agency's books, papers, accounts, or records that may be relevant to an ongoing audit of any other state agency or computer system audit. The state auditor and persons employed by the state auditor examining

1 any information, which is confidential by law, shall guard the secrecy of such information except  
2 when otherwise directed by judicial order or as is otherwise provided by law.

3 **SECTION 9. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-44.1-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is  
4 amended and reenacted as follows:

5 **54-44.1-11. (Effective through July 31, 20172019) Office of management and budget to**  
6 **cancel unexpended appropriations - When they may continue.**

7 Except as otherwise provided by law, the office of management and budget, thirty days after  
8 the close of each biennial period, shall cancel all unexpended appropriations or balances of  
9 appropriations after the expiration of the biennial period during which they became available  
10 under the law. Unexpended appropriations for the state historical society are not subject to this  
11 section and the state historical society shall report on the amounts and uses of funds carried  
12 over from one biennium to the appropriations committees of the next subsequent legislative  
13 assembly. Unexpended appropriations for the North Dakota university system are not subject to  
14 this section and the North Dakota university system shall report on the amounts and uses of  
15 funds carried over from one biennium to the next to subsequent appropriations committees of  
16 the legislative assembly. The chairmen of the appropriations committees of the senate and  
17 house of representatives of the legislative assembly with the office of the budget may continue  
18 appropriations or balances in force for not more than two years after the expiration of the  
19 biennial period during which they became available upon recommendation of the director of the  
20 budget for:

- 21 1. New construction projects.
- 22 2. Major repair or improvement projects.
- 23 3. Purchases of new equipment costing more than ten thousand dollars per unit if it was  
24 ordered during the first twelve months of the biennium in which the funds were  
25 appropriated.
- 26 4. The purchase of land by the state on a "contract for deed" purchase if the total  
27 purchase price is within the authorized appropriation.
- 28 5. Purchases by the department of transportation of roadway maintenance equipment  
29 costing more than ten thousand dollars per unit if the equipment was ordered during  
30 the first twenty-one months of the biennium in which the funds were appropriated.
- 31 6. Authorized ongoing information technology projects.

1           **(Effective after July 31, 2017~~2019~~) Office of management and budget to cancel**  
2 **unexpended appropriations - When they may continue.** The office of management and  
3 budget, thirty days after the close of each biennial period, shall cancel all unexpended  
4 appropriations or balances of appropriations after the expiration of the biennial period during  
5 which they became available under the law. Unexpended appropriations for the state historical  
6 society are not subject to this section and the state historical society shall report on the amounts  
7 and uses of funds carried over from one biennium to the appropriations committees of the next  
8 subsequent legislative assembly. The chairmen of the appropriations committees of the senate  
9 and house of representatives of the legislative assembly with the office of the budget may  
10 continue appropriations or balances in force for not more than two years after the expiration of  
11 the biennial period during which they became available upon recommendation of the director of  
12 the budget for:

- 13           1. New construction projects.
- 14           2. Major repair or improvement projects.
- 15           3. Purchases of new equipment costing more than ten thousand dollars per unit if it was  
16           ordered during the first twelve months of the biennium in which the funds were  
17           appropriated.
- 18           4. The purchase of land by the state on a "contract for deed" purchase if the total  
19           purchase price is within the authorized appropriation.
- 20           5. Purchases by the department of transportation of roadway maintenance equipment  
21           costing more than ten thousand dollars per unit if the equipment was ordered during  
22           the first twenty-one months of the biennium in which the funds were appropriated.
- 23           6. Authorized ongoing information technology projects.

24           **SECTION 10. REPEAL.** Chapter 15-10.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

25           **SECTION 11. ADDITIONAL FEDERAL, PRIVATE, AND OTHER FUNDS -**

26 **APPROPRIATION.** All funds, in addition to those appropriated in section 1 of this Act, from  
27 federal, private, and other sources for competitive grants or other funds that the legislative  
28 assembly has not indicated the intent to reject, including tuition revenue, received by the state  
29 board of higher education and the institutions and entities under the control of the state board of  
30 higher education, are appropriated to the board and those institutions and entities, for the  
31 biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. All additional funds received under

1 the North Dakota-Minnesota reciprocity agreement during the biennium beginning July 1, 2017,  
2 and ending June 30, 2019, are appropriated to the state board of higher education for  
3 reimbursement to institutions under the control of the board.

4 **SECTION 12. CAMPUS CAPITAL PROJECTS - PROJECT MANAGEMENT.** During the  
5 biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, each capital project authorized by  
6 the state board of higher education must have adequate project management oversight by  
7 either an institution official or a representative of an external entity. An institution may seek  
8 assistance from the North Dakota university system office for project management oversight of  
9 a capital project.

10 **SECTION 13. STUDENT LOAN TRUST FUND - LEGISLATIVE INTENT.** Subdivision 1 of  
11 section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,504,744, or so much of the sum as may be  
12 necessary, from the student loan trust fund of which \$465,307 is for the professional student  
13 exchange program, \$500,000 is for grants to tribally controlled community colleges, and  
14 \$539,437 is for connectND campus solution positions, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017,  
15 and ending June 30, 2019.

16 Subdivision 13 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of ~~\$15,200,000~~\$11,806,856, or so  
17 much of the sum as may be necessary, from the student loan trust fund for residency positions  
18 at the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences, for the biennium  
19 beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. It is the intent of the sixty-fifth legislative  
20 assembly that funding for the residency positions becomes part of ongoing base funding in  
21 future budget requests of the school.

22 **SECTION 14. STATEWIDE MEMBERSHIP DUES.** Subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act  
23 includes the sum of \$294,000 for membership dues for the western interstate commission for  
24 higher education. Subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$230,000 of  
25 one-time funding for membership dues of the midwestern higher education compact.

26 **SECTION 15. UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA ENERGY AND ENVIRONMENTAL**  
27 **RESEARCH CENTER - PAYMENTS TO THE UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA.** During the  
28 biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, the university of North Dakota may  
29 not enter or continue any contractual agreement with the energy and environmental research  
30 center which would require the energy and environmental research center to reimburse the

1 university in an amount exceeding five hundred thousand dollars per year for facilities,  
2 administrative, or other costs.

3 **SECTION 16. TRANSFER AUTHORITY - LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT REPORT.**

4 Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the state board of higher education may transfer  
5 appropriation authority ~~between~~from the operations ~~and~~to the capital assets line items within  
6 subdivisions 2 through 14 of section 1 of this Act for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and  
7 ending June 30, 2019. The board shall report any transfer of funds under this section to the  
8 office of management and budget and the legislative management.

9 **SECTION 17. FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION ADJUSTMENTS.** Notwithstanding  
10 any other provisions of law, the state board of higher education may adjust full-time equivalent  
11 positions as needed, subject to the availability of funds, for institutions and entities under its  
12 control during the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. The North  
13 Dakota university system shall report any adjustments to the office of management and budget  
14 ~~before~~as part of the submission of the 2019-21 biennium budget request.

15 **SECTION 18. UNIVERSITY OF NORTH DAKOTA SCHOOL OF MEDICINE AND HEALTH**  
16 **SCIENCES OPERATIONS.** The operations line item in subdivision 5 of section 1 of this Act  
17 includes a funding allocation from the higher education per student credit-hour funding formula  
18 attributable to inflation during the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.  
19 Based on the recommendation of the commissioner of higher education, a portion of the  
20 allocation must be transferred by the state board of higher education to the university of North  
21 Dakota school of medicine and health sciences.

22 **SECTION 19. BOND ISSUANCE AUTHORIZATION - PURPOSES.** The state board of  
23 higher education, in accordance with chapter 15-55, may arrange for the funding of projects  
24 authorized in this section, declared to be in the public interest, through the issuance of self-  
25 liquidating, tax-exempt evidences of indebtedness under chapter 15-55, beginning with the  
26 effective date of this section and ending June 30, 2019. Evidences of indebtedness issued  
27 pursuant to this section are not a general obligation of the state of North Dakota. Any  
28 unexpended balance resulting from the proceeds of the evidences of indebtedness must be  
29 placed in a sinking fund to be used for the retirement of indebtedness. The evidences of  
30 indebtedness may be issued and the proceeds are appropriated in section 1 of this Act for the  
31 following capital projects:

1	North Dakota state university - New residence hall	\$39,505,000
2	North Dakota state university - University village replacement	<u>10,000,000</u>
3	Total special funds	\$49,505,000

4 ~~— SECTION 18. EXEMPTION – THEODORE ROOSEVELT CENTER PROJECT. The~~  
5 ~~amounts appropriated for the Theodore Roosevelt center project in section 3 of chapter 34 of~~  
6 ~~the 2013 Session Laws and section 4 of chapter 49 of the 2013 Session Laws are not subject to~~  
7 ~~section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from these sections are available during the~~  
8 ~~biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.~~

9 ~~— SECTION 19. EXEMPTION – HIGHER EDUCATION CHALLENGE GRANTS. The~~  
10 ~~unexpended amount remaining for the education challenge fund line item in section 1 of~~  
11 ~~chapter 34 of the 2013 Session Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended~~  
12 ~~funds in this line item are available during the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending~~  
13 ~~June 30, 2019.~~

14 **SECTION 20. EXEMPTION - STUDENT FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE GRANTS.** Of the  
15 \$25,634,276 appropriated from the general fund in the student financial assistance grants line  
16 item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 3 of the 2015 Session Laws, \$4,000,000 is not  
17 subject to section 54-44.1-11 and must be canceled by the office of management and budget on  
18 the effective date of this section.

19 **SECTION 21. TUITION RATE INCREASE LIMITATIONS - BUDGET SECTION**  
20 **APPROVAL.**

- 21 1. Except as provided in this section, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state  
22 board of higher education may not increase tuition rates for resident students  
23 attending institutions of higher education under its control during the 2017-18  
24 academic year by more than ~~three~~four percent as compared to the tuition rate in effect  
25 during the 2017 spring semester unless the board receives prior budget section  
26 approval.
- 27 2. Except as provided in this section, notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state  
28 board of higher education may not increase tuition rates for resident students  
29 attending institutions of higher education under its control during the 2018-19  
30 academic year by more than ~~three~~four percent as compared to the tuition rate in effect

1           during the 2018 spring semester unless the board receives prior budget section  
2           approval.

3     ~~3. During the 2017-18 and 2018-19 academic years, the state board of higher education~~  
4     ~~may increase tuition rates by up to an additional one percent in excess of the rate~~  
5     ~~limitations provided for in subsections 1 and 2 of this section for resident students~~  
6     ~~attending institutions of higher education under its control if the additional tuition~~  
7     ~~revenue is utilized for campus extraordinary repairs and deferred maintenance needs.~~  
8     ~~An institution must provide two dollars of matching funds from operations or other~~  
9     ~~sources, excluding funding appropriated by the legislative assembly for extraordinary~~  
10    ~~repairs or other capital needs at the institution, for each dollar of additional tuition~~  
11    ~~revenue generated from an increase authorized under this subsection. The matching~~  
12    ~~funds provided under this section must be used for campus extraordinary repairs and~~  
13    ~~deferred maintenance needs.~~

14    4.3. This section does not apply to tuition rates charged for graduate level programs,  
15    including programs offered through the university of North Dakota school of medicine  
16    and health sciences, the university of North Dakota school of law, or the North Dakota  
17    state university school of pharmacy.

18    5.4. This section does not apply to tuition rates for nonresident students attending  
19    institutions of higher education under the control of the state board of higher  
20    education. For purposes of this section, the residency of students for tuition purposes  
21    must be determined under section 15-10-19.1.

22    6.5. This section does not apply to tuition rates determined under tuition reciprocity  
23    agreements entered into by the state board of higher education with other states or  
24    state education compacts.

25    7.6. For purposes of this section, an institution must calculate a resident tuition rate  
26    increase based on the tuition rate paid by an average full-time resident student. The  
27    state board of higher education may exclude adjustments to a tuition rate resulting  
28    from a change in an institution's method of charging tuition, including the consolidation  
29    of existing fees into tuition rates or charging tuition based on a per-credit rate, from  
30    tuition rate calculations under this section.

1       **SECTION 22. USE OF EXTRAORDINARY REPAIRS FUNDING - MATCHING FUNDS.**

2       The capital assets line items in subdivisions 2 through 12 of section 1 of this Act include funding  
3       from the general fund for institution extraordinary repairs. An institution shall provide two dollars  
4       of matching funds from operations or other sources, ~~excluding tuition revenue generated~~  
5       ~~specifically for extraordinary repairs and deferred maintenance needs~~, for each one dollar of  
6       extraordinary repairs funding used for a project.

7       **SECTION 23. TRANSFER OF LAND AUTHORIZED.** The state of North Dakota, by and  
8       through the state board of higher education, shall convey certain real property consisting of  
9       approximately 0.8 acres parallel and adjacent to the BNSF railway company right-of-way in  
10      Cass County, North Dakota, known as parcel number 01-3504-08500-000 in the records of  
11      Cass County, North Dakota, to BNSF railway company, if determined appropriate by the state  
12      board of higher education and the commissioner of university and school lands. The terms of  
13      the conveyance must be determined jointly by the state board of higher education or a designee  
14      of the board and the commissioner of university and school lands. North Dakota Century Code  
15      sections 54-01-05.2 and 54-01-05.5 do not apply to the transfer authorized by this section.

16      **SECTION 24. TRANSFER OF LAND AUTHORIZED.** The state of North Dakota, by and  
17      through the state board of higher education, may convey certain real property known as Dakota  
18      hall or airport addition, 1015 north forty-third street, lot h, replat of lot 1 & 2, b 3 block 3 & part  
19      northwest ¼ of northwest ¼ section 6-151-60 in the records of the city of Grand Forks, if  
20      determined appropriate by the state board of higher education. If any of the real property  
21      authorized to be conveyed under this section is conveyed, the terms of the conveyance must be  
22      determined jointly by the state board of higher education or a designee of the board and the  
23      commissioner of university and school lands. North Dakota Century Code sections 54-01-05.2  
24      and 54-01-05.5 do not apply to the transfer authorized by this section.

25      **SECTION 25. TRANSFER OF LAND AUTHORIZED.** The state of North Dakota, by and  
26      through the state board of higher education, may convey certain real property known as Ray  
27      Richard's golf course or Ray Richard's golf course addition, 3801 demers avenue, lot 1, block 1,  
28      and Ray Richard's golf course addition, 3501 demers avenue, lot 2, block 1, in the records of  
29      the city of Grand Forks, if determined appropriate by the state board of higher education. If any  
30      of the real property authorized to be conveyed under this section is conveyed, the terms of the  
31      conveyance must be determined by the state board of higher education or a designee of the

1 board. North Dakota Century Code sections 54-01-5.2 and 54-01-05.5 do not apply to the  
2 transfer authorized by this section.

3 **SECTION 26. TRANSFER OF DAKOTA INSTITUTE INVENTORY.** The parks and  
4 recreation department shall transfer the name Dakota institute and all rights, title, interests, and  
5 copyrights and up to eighty percent of any remaining inventory of any Dakota institute  
6 publication, book, or other document or production, regardless of format, to Bismarck state  
7 college. Bismarck state college may transfer any rights, title, interests, copyrights, inventory of  
8 any of the Dakota institute's publications, books, or other documents or productions, regardless  
9 of format, to the author or producer of the document or production.

10 **SECTION 27. RESEARCH NETWORKS - REPORT TO THE LEGISLATIVE**  
11 **MANAGEMENT.** During the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, the  
12 state board of higher education, in association with the research institutions under its control,  
13 shall consider opportunities for collaboration on high-performance computing, data analytics,  
14 and connectivity to Minnesota research networks to improve access, increase capacity, and  
15 create efficiencies. The board may utilize appropriations and reserves designated for the  
16 northern tier network to accommodate continued use of existing research networks and to  
17 expand network capabilities. The board shall consider developing policies and procedures to  
18 authorize private entities to utilize the research network. During the 2017-18 interim, the state  
19 board of higher education shall provide a report to the legislative management regarding the  
20 status of efforts to collaborate with Minnesota entities for research network purposes.

21 **SECTION 28. STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION - STUDY OF THE**  
22 **REORGANIZATION OF TWO-YEAR INSTITUTIONS - REPORT TO SIXTY-SIXTH**  
23 **LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** During the period beginning July 1, 2017, and ending  
24 December 31, 2018, the state board of higher education shall study the reorganization of the  
25 two-year institutions under its control into a community and technology college system that  
26 addresses workforce and education needs of the state. As part of the study, the board shall  
27 consider:

- 28 1. Shared administration;
- 29 2. Shared courses, including a common course catalog;

- 1       3.    Articulation agreements linking elementary and secondary education, career  
2           academies, and career and technical education to postsecondary certificates and  
3           associate's degrees;
- 4       4.    Centralized processing of student admissions, housing applications, financial aid, and  
5           advising; and
- 6       5.    Centralized services, including bookstore operations, food services, marketing,  
7           procurement, accounting, and human resources.

8   The state board of higher education shall approve and present a plan to implement the  
9   recommendations of its study to reorganize two-year institutions, including drafts of legislation  
10  necessary to implement the recommendations, to the appropriations committees of the  
11  sixty-sixth legislative assembly.

12       **SECTION 29. STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION - STUDY OF NURSING**

13 **PROGRAMS - REPORT TO THE SIXTY-SIXTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** During the period  
14 beginning July 1, 2017, and ending December 31, 2018, the state board of higher education  
15 shall study the reorganization of nursing programs at institutions under its control. As part of the  
16 study, the board shall review the number of institutions offering nursing programs, the level of  
17 programs offered, and the locations of programs. The board shall consider options to develop  
18 collaborations among institutions to offer programs in an efficient and effective manner to  
19 address the workforce needs of the state.

20       The state board of higher education shall approve and present a plan to implement the  
21 recommendations of its study to reorganize nursing programs, including drafts of legislation  
22 necessary to implement the recommendations, to the appropriations committees of the  
23 sixty-sixth legislative assembly.

24       **SECTION 30. STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION DATA AND REPORTING**

25 **INCONSISTENCIES - REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT.** During the biennium  
26 beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, the state board of higher education shall  
27 evaluate the following data and reporting inconsistency issues at institutions and entities under  
28 its control and develop policies and procedures to correct the inconsistencies:

- 29       1.    Inconsistent employee classifications and human resources reporting;
- 30       2.    Inconsistent employee leave policies;
- 31       3.    Inconsistent practices for awarding tuition waivers; and

1 | ~~3.4.~~ Inconsistent practices regarding the charging of student fees.

2 | The state board of higher education shall provide a report to and consult with the legislative  
3 | management during the 2017-18 interim regarding the status of the inconsistencies, including  
4 | policies and procedures being developed to address the inconsistencies.

5 |       **SECTION 31. REDUCTION IN EMPLOYEES - LEGISLATIVE INTENT - REPORT TO**  
6 | **LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT.** It is the intent of the sixty-fifth legislative assembly that if the  
7 | number of full-time equivalent positions is reduced at institutions under the control of the state  
8 | board of higher education, any reduction be applied among all classifications of employees with  
9 | emphasis on senior administrative positions. During the 2017-18 interim, the state board of  
10 | higher education shall provide reports to the legislative management regarding the total number  
11 | of employee positions reduced at each institution, the number of administrative positions  
12 | reduced at each institution, and whether any former administrative staff employees are still  
13 | employed by the institution in a different position.

14 |       **SECTION 32. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY - LEASE**  
15 | **ARRANGEMENT AND OTHER SAVINGS.** It is the intent of the sixty-fifth legislative assembly  
16 | that future general fund appropriations in support of the North Dakota state university  
17 | department of nursing program in Bismarck be adjusted for savings resulting from facility lease  
18 | negotiations and for credit hours completed at the school.

19 |       **SECTION 33. EMERGENCY.** Section ~~44~~19 and the capital assets line items in section 1 of  
20 | this Act are declared to be an emergency measure.