

February 1, 2021

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2030

Page 1, line 1, after the first "to" insert "amend and reenact section 15-10-49 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to matching grants for institutions of higher education; and to"

Page 1, after line 3, insert:

"SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Section 15-10-49 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

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

1. a. Subject to legislative appropriations, each biennium during the period beginning July first of each odd-numbered year and ending December thirty-first of each even-numbered year, the state board of higher education shall award one dollar in matching grants for every two dollars raised by the institutional foundations of:
 - (1) Bismarck state college, Dakota college at Bottineau, Dickinson state university, Lake Region state college, Mayville state university, Minot state university, North Dakota state college of science, Valley City state university, and Williston state college for projects dedicated exclusively to the advancement of academics; and
 - (2) University of Jamestown and university of Mary for projects dedicated exclusively to student scholarships.
- b. To be eligible for a matching grant, an institution must demonstrate that:
 - (1) Its foundation has raised at least twenty-five thousand dollars in cash or monetary pledges for a qualifying project; and
 - (2) The project has been approved by the grant review committee established in section 15-10-51.
- c. The board may award up to:
 - (1) Nine hundred fifty thousand dollars each to Bismarck state college, Minot state university, and the North Dakota state college of science;
 - (2) Seven hundred thousand dollars each to Dickinson state university, Mayville state university, and Valley City state university; and
 - (3) Three hundred fifty thousand dollars each to Dakota college at Bottineau, university of Jamestown, Lake Region state college, university of Mary, and Williston state college.

2. a. If any available dollars have not been awarded by the board before January first of each odd-numbered year, in accordance with subsection 1, any institution listed in paragraph 1 of subdivision a of subsection 1 may apply for an additional matching grant.
 - b. An application submitted under this subsection must meet the same criteria as an original application.
 - c. The board shall consider each application submitted under this subsection in chronological order.
 - d. If the remaining dollars are insufficient to provide a matching grant in the amount of one dollar for every two dollars raised by the institutional foundation, the board shall award a lesser amount.
3. The state board of higher education shall retain up to one-quarter of one percent of any grant awarded under this section to assist with administrative expenses incurred in the grant review process."

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$9,650,000" with "\$10,350,000"

Page 1, line 7, after "for" insert "student scholarships and"

Page 1, line 7, remove "under the control of the"

Page 1, line 8, replace "board" with "of higher education"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment expands eligibility for the higher education challenge matching grant program to the University of Jamestown and the University of Mary. The University of Jamestown and the University of Mary would each be eligible to receive up to \$350,000 in matching grants for student scholarships. This amendment also increases the total appropriation for the higher education challenge matching grant program for the 2021-23 biennium from \$9,650,000 to \$10,350,000 from the general fund.