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FIRST DRAFT:
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- 1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 15-18.2-03 and section
- 2 15-54.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to state aid for institutions of higher
- 3 education and the university system capital building fund; to provide an appropriation; to provide
- 4 legislative intent; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

- SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 2 of section 15-18.2-03 of the North Dakota
 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:
 - 2. If the number of credit-hours completed by an institution would cause a decrease in the credit completion factor for that institution compared to the credit completion factor the institution was entitled to receive during the 2017-19 bienniumreceived during the prior biennium, the state board of higher education shall multiply the product determined under section 15-18.2-02 by a credit growth factor of 1.0 for credits in excess of the factor the institution was entitled to receive during the 2017-19-bienniumreceived during the prior biennium. Any weighted credit-hours multiplied by a credit growth factor under this section must have a weight of 1.0 under section 15-18.2-02. The state board of higher education shall multiply the remaining weighted credits by the credit completion factor the institution was entitled to receive during the 2017-19 bienniumreceived during the prior biennium.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 15-54.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

15-54.1-02. Capital building funds - Uses - Reports.

Subject to tier II and tier III capital building fund matching requirements under this chapter, each institution may use its allocation of funds from the university system capital building fund for projects specifically authorized by the legislative assembly to use university system capital

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1 building fund moneys. In addition, after an institution has matched and committed seventy-five 2 percent of the funding appropriated for the institution's tier I extraordinary repairs and subject to 3 state board of higher education approval and matching requirements under this chapter, each 4 institution may use its allocation of funds from the university system capital building fund for 5 extraordinary repairs and deferred maintenance projects, including bond payments for these 6 projects, for academic and student housing facilities that do not increase the overall square 7 footage of a building. The state board of higher education shall report biennially to the legislative 8 management and to the appropriations committees of the legislative assembly on the use of 9 funding in the university system capital building fund, the source of matching funds, and each 10 institution's five-year plan for capital construction spending. 11 SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - CAPITAL PROJECTS - ONE-TIME FUNDING. The funds 12

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 federal funds, to the state board of higher education and to the entities and institutions under the supervision of the board for the purpose of defraying the expenses of capital projects, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

18		General Fund	Other Funds	Total Funds
19	University of North Dakota science, technology,	\$55,640,000	\$23,000,000	\$78,640,000
20	engineering, and math building			
21	Mayville state university Old Main	34,924,814	1,600,000	36,524,814
22	renovation			
23	Minot state university academic building	<u>8,132,000</u>	400,000	8,532,000
24	Total	\$98,696,814	\$25,000,000	\$123,696,814

The funding appropriated in this section is considered a one-time funding item. The state board of higher education shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 4. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - WEIGHTED CREDIT-HOURS - INSTRUCTIONAL PROGRAM CLASSIFICATION FACTORS. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that wind energy technology and law enforcement courses be transferred to the career and

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- 1 technical education instructional program classification within the higher education funding
- 2 formula.
- 3 **SECTION 5. EMERGENCY.** Section 3 of this Act is declared to be an emergency measure.