

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with Conference Committee Amendments  
ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1415**

Introduced by

Representatives Kiefert, K. Anderson, Heinert, Ostlie, Rohr, Satrom

Senators Conley, Wanzek

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the attorney general for a law enforcement  
2 staffing grant program; and to provide for a legislative management study.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - LAW ENFORCEMENT STAFFING GRANT PROGRAM -**

5 **ONE-TIME FUNDING.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$29,000, or so much of the sum as may be  
7 necessary, to the attorney general for the purpose of awarding grants to any local police  
8 department located in a community that has recently experienced a significant increase in the  
9 number of registered sex offenders living in that community in order to hire additional law  
10 enforcement staff, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025. Eligible  
11 expenditures under the program include costs related to salaries and overtime, training, and  
12 purchases of equipment for existing and newly hired law enforcement staff. The attorney  
13 general shall establish guidelines to provide grants under the program. This funding is  
14 considered a one-time funding item.

15 **SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - SEXUAL PREDATOR TASK**

16 **FORCE.** During the 2023-24 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying the  
17 feasibility and desirability of creating a multijurisdictional sexual predator task force. The study  
18 must include input from stakeholders, including representatives from law enforcement,  
19 regarding the need for or desire to have a sexual predator task force. The study also must  
20 include an analysis of interagency coordination. The legislative management shall report its  
21 findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the  
22 recommendations, to the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.