

Department of Commerce - Budget No. 601
House Bill No. 1018
Base Level Funding Changes

Prepared for: 4/20/2023

	House Version				Senate Version				Senate Changes to House Version Increase (Decrease) - House Version			
	FTE	General	Other	Total	FTE	General	Other	Total	FTE	General	Other	Total
	Positions	Fund	Funds		Positions	Fund	Funds		Positions	Fund	Funds	
2023-25 Biennium Base Level	58.80	\$31,502,140	\$53,544,379	\$85,046,519	58.80	\$31,502,140	\$53,544,379	\$85,046,519	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2023-25 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		\$444,238	\$283,274	\$727,512		\$444,238	\$283,274	\$727,512				\$0
Adds funding for the cost to continue salary increases		80,150	20,345	100,495		80,150	20,345	100,495				0
Salary increase		632,902	118,204	751,106		859,715	157,900	1,017,615		\$226,813	\$39,696	266,509
Health insurance increase		247,483	58,035	305,518		247,062	56,730	303,792		(421)	(1,305)	(1,726)
Restores underfunded salaries		140,000		140,000		140,000		140,000				0
Adds funding for temporary salaries		91,000	500,000	591,000		91,000	500,000	591,000				0
Adds funding for an FTE position for the workforce talent attraction initiative	1.00	202,940		202,940	1.00	202,940		202,940				0
Adds funding for an FTE position for the workforce investment grant program	1.00	202,940		202,940	1.00	202,940		202,940				0
Adds funding for an Office of Automation	1.00	1,000,000		1,000,000	1.00	1,000,000		1,000,000				0
Adds funding for a Global Engagement Office	1.00	619,404		619,404	1.00	619,404		619,404				0
Removes salary funding for funding pool				0		(1,528,498)	(102,571)	(1,631,069)		(1,528,498)	(102,571)	(1,631,069)
Adds funding for travel		490,534		490,534		490,534		490,534				0
Adjusts funding for operating expenses, primarily professional development, services, and fees		1,006,896	(2,230)	1,004,666		1,006,896	(2,230)	1,004,666				0
Adds funding for the Operation Intern program		251,082		251,082		251,082		251,082				0
Transfers \$220,000 of federal funding for the AmeriCorps workforce community services program from grants to operating expenses				0				0				0
Transfers \$110,000 of federal funding for the AmeriCorps workforce community services program from operating expenses to salaries				0				0				0
Adds funding for the weatherization, heating and furnace, and cooling assistance programs			2,085,834	2,085,834			0	0		(2,085,834)		(2,085,834)
Adds funding for the rural health care grant program		194,000		194,000		194,000		194,000				0
Transfers the homeless shelter grant program to the Housing Finance Agency		(1,330,212)		(1,330,212)		(1,330,212)		(1,330,212)				0
Transfers the emergency shelter grant program to the Housing Finance Agency		(240,000)	(1,147,341)	(1,387,341)		(240,000)	(1,147,341)	(1,387,341)				0
Reduces funding for the North Dakota Small Business Development Center				0		(654,611)		(654,611)		(654,611)		(654,611)
Total ongoing funding changes	4.00	\$4,033,357	\$1,916,121	\$5,949,478	4.00	\$2,076,640	(\$233,893)	\$1,842,747	0.00	(\$1,956,717)	(\$2,150,014)	(\$4,106,731)
One-Time Funding Items												
Adds funding for the rural workforce housing grant program			\$7,000,000	\$7,000,000			\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000			(\$5,000,000)	(\$5,000,000)
Adds funding for the workforce talent attraction initiative operating expenses		\$8,000,000		8,000,000		\$14,000,000		14,000,000		\$6,000,000		6,000,000
Adds funding for workforce investment program grants		15,000,000		15,000,000		12,500,000		12,500,000		(2,500,000)		(2,500,000)
Adds funding for automation workforce transition training grants		5,000,000		5,000,000		0		0		(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)
Adds funding for automation workforce equipment grants		5,000,000		5,000,000		0		0		(5,000,000)		(5,000,000)
Adds funding for technical skills training grants		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000				0
Adds funding for tourism awareness marketing			5,000,000	5,000,000			5,000,000	5,000,000				0
Adds funding for a tourism destination development initiative			25,000,000	25,000,000			50,000,000	50,000,000			25,000,000	25,000,000
Adds funding for Main Street Initiative community development grants		400,000		400,000		400,000		400,000				0
Adds funding for the BVLOS UAS grant program, also known as Vantis			30,000,000	30,000,000			20,000,000	20,000,000			(10,000,000)	(10,000,000)
Adds funding for the enhanced use lease grant program			28,000,000	28,000,000			7,000,000	7,000,000			(21,000,000)	(21,000,000)
Adds funding for new Americans workforce development and training grants			2,000,000	2,000,000		1,500,000	0	1,500,000		1,500,000	(2,000,000)	(500,000)
Adds funding for workforce grants to tribally controlled community colleges		5,000,000		5,000,000		2,500,000		2,500,000		(2,500,000)		(2,500,000)
Adds federal funding for the AmeriCorps workforce community services program			785,000	785,000			785,000	785,000				0
Adds federal funding for the parks and recreation grant program			1,550,000	1,550,000			1,550,000	1,550,000				0
Adds federal funding for the energy conservation grant program			14,081,719	14,081,719			14,081,719	14,081,719				0
Adds federal funding for the weatherization, heating and furnace, and cooling assistance grant programs			1,172,250	1,172,250			3,258,084	3,258,084			2,085,834	2,085,834
Adds funding for a workforce safety grant			1,500,000	1,500,000			0	0			(1,500,000)	(1,500,000)
Adds funding for a regional council grant program				0			4,000,000	4,000,000			4,000,000	4,000,000
Adds funding for discretionary funds		350,000		350,000		0		0		(350,000)		(350,000)
Adds funding for the State Small Business Credit Initiative technical assistance program				0			572,143	572,143			572,143	572,143
Adds federal funding from IJA and IRA for weatherization and energy assistance programs				0	3.00		210,000,000	210,000,000	3.00		210,000,000	210,000,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$40,750,000	\$116,088,969	\$156,838,969	3.00	\$32,900,000	\$318,246,946	\$351,146,946	3.00	(\$7,850,000)	\$202,157,977	\$194,307,977
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	4.00	\$44,783,357	\$118,005,090	\$162,788,447	7.00	\$34,976,640	\$318,013,053	\$352,989,693	3.00	(\$9,806,717)	\$200,007,963	\$190,201,246

2023-25 Total Funding

Federal funds included in other funds

Total ongoing changes as a percentage of base level

Total changes as a percentage of base level

62.80	\$76,285,497	\$171,549,469	\$247,834,966	65.80	\$66,478,780	\$371,557,432	\$438,036,212	3.00	(\$9,806,717)	\$200,007,963	\$190,201,246
		\$63,519,581				\$274,050,129				\$210,530,548	
6.8%	12.8%	3.6%	7.0%	6.8%	6.6%	(0.4%)	2.2%				
6.8%	142.2%	220.4%	191.4%	11.9%	111.0%	593.9%	415.1%				

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Transfer - General fund to internship fund

Section 3 requires OMB to transfer \$1,006,896 appropriated from the general fund in Section 1 to the internship fund for the Department of Commerce to administer the Operation Intern program during the 2023-25 biennium.

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Transfer - Legacy earnings fund to legacy investment fund for technology

Section 4 requires OMB to transfer \$20 million from the legacy earnings fund to the legacy investment for technology fund for providing legacy investment technology loans.

Section 4 requires OMB to transfer \$5 million from SIIF to the legacy investment for technology fund for providing legacy investment technology loans.

Transfer - SIIF to North Dakota Development Fund

Section 5 requires OMB to transfer \$30 million from SIIF to the North Dakota Development Fund for programs under Chapter 10-30.5.

Section 5 requires OMB to transfer \$65 million from SIIF to the North Dakota Development Fund for programs under Chapter 10-30.5.

Transfer - SIIF to North Dakota Development Fund - Fertilizer development grant program

Section 6 requires OMB to transfer \$120 million from SIIF to the North Dakota Development Fund for a fertilizer development grant program.

Estimated income - Federal weatherization and energy assistance programs - FTE position authorization

Section 6 identifies \$210 million of federal funds and 3 FTE positions in Section 1 as one-time funding and FTE positions available for the purpose of administering weatherization and energy assistance programs from funding received as a result of the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and Inflation Reduction Act.

Estimated income - SIIF - One-time funding - Legislative intent

Section 7 identifies \$98.5 million of one-time funding is from SIIF for the rural workforce housing grant program (\$7 million), tourism marketing awareness initiative (\$5 million), tourism destination development initiative grant program (\$25 million), BVLOS UAS grants (\$30 million), enhanced use lease grants (\$28 million), new Americans workforce development and training grants (\$2 million), and a workforce safety grant (\$1.5 million). Legislative intent is provided that the Department of Commerce not hire a third-party consultant when determining how funding for the tourism destination development initiative grant program will be spent.

Section 7 identifies \$88 million of one-time funding is from SIIF for the rural workforce housing grant program (\$2 million), tourism marketing awareness initiative (\$5 million), tourism destination development initiative program (\$50 million), BVLOS UAS grants (\$20 million), enhanced use lease grants (\$7 million), and a regional council grant program (\$4 million). Legislative intent is provided that the Department of Commerce not hire a third-party consultant when determining how funding for the tourism destination development initiative program will be spent and that the department provide funding in the form of grants or a grant for interest rate buy downs. Funding available for the regional council grant program must be distributed equally to the eight regional councils established in the state to support the planning, development, and implementation of economic development, community infrastructure, entrepreneurship, housing, child care, and workforce development initiatives in rural communities in accordance with Chapter 54-40.1.

Rural workforce housing grant program

Section 8 identifies \$6.5 million of one-time funding appropriated from SIIF in the grants line item is for the rural workforce housing grant program. The department is required to develop guidelines for awarding grants. Funding may be awarded to cities with a population of fewer than 10,000 residents.

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Workforce programs

Section 9 identifies \$30 million from the general fund in the workforce programs line item is for workforce-related programs, including the workforce talent attraction initiative (\$14 million), workforce investment program grants (\$12.5 million), technical skills training grants (\$2 million), and new Americans workforce development and training grants (\$1.5 million).

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Rural health care grant program - Matching funds requirement

Section 9 identifies \$444,000 appropriated from the general fund is for the rural health care grant program. The department may spend this funding only to the extent a grant recipient has secured matching funds from nonstate sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

Section 10 identifies \$444,000 appropriated from the general fund is for the rural health care grant program. The department may spend this funding only to the extent a grant recipient has secured matching funds from nonstate sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis.

Discretionary funds - State magazine

Section 10 identifies of the funding appropriated from the general fund for discretionary funds, \$150,000 is designated for supporting the continuation of the North Dakota state magazine.

Section 11 identifies of the funding appropriated from the general fund for discretionary funds, \$150,000 is designated for supporting the continuation of the North Dakota state magazine.

Workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges - Eligibility requirements
- Legislative Management report

Section 11 identifies \$5 million of one-time funding appropriated from the general fund in the grants line item is for workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges. To be eligible for a grant under this section, a tribally controlled community college must partner with at least one high school in the state for programs under Section 54-60.2-02. Any college receiving a grant under this section must report to the Department of Commerce and the department must report to the Legislative Management regarding the use of grants funds.

Section 12 identifies \$2.5 million of one-time funding appropriated from the general fund in the grants line item is for workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges. To be eligible for a grant under this section, a tribally controlled community college must partner with at least one high school in the state for programs under Section 54-60.2-02. Any college receiving a grant under this section must report to the Department of Commerce and the department must report to the Legislative Management regarding the use of grants funds.

Entrepreneurship grants and vouchers program

Section 13 identifies \$948,467 appropriated in Section 1, of which \$740,956 is from the general fund and \$207,511 is from the economic development fund for the entrepreneurship grants and vouchers program, also known as Innovate ND, for the 2023-25 biennium.

Amendment - Innovation loan fund to support technology advancement - Legacy investment for technology fund

Sections 12 through 19 amend Chapter 6-09.18 and Section 21-10-13(4) to change the innovation loan fund to support technology advancement program's name to the legacy investment for technology program.

Sections 14 through 20 amend Chapter 6-09.18 to change the innovation loan fund to support technology advancement program's name to the legacy investment for technology program.

Amendment - Workforce Enhancement Council

Section 20 amends Section 54-60-22 to expand recommendations provided by the Workforce Enhancement Council to the Commissioner of the Department of Commerce regarding the approval of training grants to include training providers and businesses, rather than only providing recommendations for grants to institutions of higher education.

Amendment - North Dakota Development Fund powers

Section 21 amends Section 10-30.5-04 clarifies the powers of the North Dakota Development Fund to allow for funding to be provided to private or public entities through North Dakota Development Fund contracts.

Amendment - North Dakota Development Fund management

Section 22 amends Section 10-30.5-05 to provide if the North Dakota Development Fund chief executive officer is absent for more than five consecutive days or is anticipated to be absent for more than five consecutive days, the chief executive officer may delegate the duties and responsibilities of the chief executive officer to the director of the Department of Commerce Division of Economic Development and Finance under chapter 54-34.3, or the director's designee.

Amendment - UAS program and fund

Sections 21 through 23 amend Sections 54-60-28, 54-60-29, and 54-60-29.1 related to administration of UAS-related programs.

Sections 23 through 25 amend Sections 54-60-28, 54-60-29, and 54-60-29.1 related to administration of UAS-related programs.

Amendment - Workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges - Grant awards

Section 26 amends Section 54-60.2-01 to remove the requirement that workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges be awarded based on documented job placement rates at each eligible college.

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Amendment - Workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges - Career and technical education programs	Section 24 amends Section 54-60.2-02 to allow workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges to be spent on the development or enhancement of career and technical education programs.	Section 27 amends Section 54-60.2-02 to allow workforce development grants to tribally controlled community colleges to be spent on the development or enhancement of career and technical education programs.
Amendment - 2021 Special Session Session Laws - North Dakota Development Fund transfer - 2021-23 biennium	Section 25 amends subsection 35 of Section 1 of Chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws to provide the transfer OMB is to make from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the North Dakota Development Fund during the 2021-23 biennium is for the purpose of a North Dakota Development Fund grant program.	Section 28 amends subsection 35 of Section 1 of Chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws to provide the transfer OMB is to make from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the North Dakota Development Fund during the 2021-23 biennium is for the purpose of a North Dakota Development Fund grant program.
Exemption - Nonresident nurse employment recruitment program	Subsection 1 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2019-21 biennium funds for the nonresident nurse employment recruitment program that was continued into the 2021-23 biennium into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$500,000 was appropriated from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2019-21 biennium and the department received authorization to continue \$320,000 of this funding into the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 1 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2019-21 biennium funds for the nonresident nurse employment recruitment program that was continued into the 2021-23 biennium into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$500,000 was appropriated from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2019-21 biennium and the department received authorization to continue \$320,000 of this funding into the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - CARES Act funding	Subsection 2 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2019-21 biennium federal CARES Act funded programs that were continued into the 2021-23 biennium into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$11,393,078 was appropriated from federal COVID-19 funds to the department in House Bill No. 1394 (2021) for the community development block grant program (\$3,000,000), community services block grant program (\$7,393,078), and emergency solutions grant program (\$1,000,000) for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 2 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2019-21 biennium federal CARES Act funded programs that were continued into the 2021-23 biennium into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$11,393,078 was appropriated from federal COVID-19 funds to the department in House Bill No. 1394 (2021) for the community development block grant program (\$3,000,000), community services block grant program (\$7,393,078), and emergency solutions grant program (\$1,000,000) for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - State small business credit initiative	Subsection 3 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the state small business credit initiative program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$56,234,176 was appropriated from federal COVID-19 funds to the department in House Bill No. 1394 (2021) for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 3 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the state small business credit initiative program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$56,234,176 was appropriated from federal COVID-19 funds to the department in House Bill No. 1394 (2021) for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Discretionary funds	Subsection 4 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for discretionary funds into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$2.15 million was appropriated from the general fund to the department in Senate Bill No. 2018 (2021) for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 4 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for discretionary funds into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$2.15 million was appropriated from the general fund to the department in Senate Bill No. 2018 (2021) for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Additional discretionary funds	Subsection 5 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for discretionary funds into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1 million was appropriated from the general fund to the department in House Bill No. 1015 (2021) for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	
Exemption - Job development and economic growth grant program		Subsection 5 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the job development and economic growth grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1.5 million was appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - UAS program	Subsection 6 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the UAS program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$3 million was appropriated as ongoing funding from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 6 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the UAS program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$3 million was appropriated as ongoing funding from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.

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Exemption - BVLOS UAS program	Subsection 7 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the BVLOS UAS program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$19 million was appropriated from SIIF to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 7 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the BVLOS UAS program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$19 million was appropriated from SIIF to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - BVLOS UAS program matching funds	Subsection 8 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for matching funds related to the BVLOS UAS program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1 million was appropriated from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 8 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for matching funds related to the BVLOS UAS program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1 million was appropriated from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Enhanced use lease grant program	Subsection 9 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the enhanced use lease grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$7 million was appropriated from SIIF to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 9 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the enhanced use lease grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$7 million was appropriated from SIIF to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Homeless shelter grant program	Subsection 10 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the homeless shelter grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1,330,212 was appropriated from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 10 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the homeless shelter grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1,330,212 was appropriated from the general fund to the department for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Workforce community services program	Subsection 11 of Section 26 would provide an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the workforce community services program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1,074,888 was appropriated from federal funds to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 11 of Section 29 would provide an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the workforce community services program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1,074,888 was appropriated from federal funds to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Community development planning grant program	Subsection 12 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the community development planning grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1 million was appropriated from federal funds to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 12 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the community development planning grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$1 million was appropriated from federal funds to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Autonomous agriculture matching grants	Subsection 13 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the autonomous agriculture grant program into the 2023-25 biennium and provides the funding shall be awarded without requiring matching funds from nonstate sources. A total of \$10 million was appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 13 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the autonomous agriculture grant program into the 2023-25 biennium and provides the funding shall be awarded without requiring matching funds from nonstate sources. A total of \$10 million was appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Workforce development incentive grant program	Subsection 14 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the workforce development incentive grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$15 million was appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 14 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the workforce development incentive grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$15 million was appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.
Exemption - Technical skills training grants	Subsection 15 of Section 26 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the technical skills training grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$5 million was appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.	Subsection 15 of Section 29 provides an exemption to continue unexpended 2021-23 biennium funds for the technical skills training grant program into the 2023-25 biennium. A total of \$5 million was appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund to the department during the November 2021 special legislative session for this purpose for the 2021-23 biennium.

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Section 27 requires the Department of Commerce to report to the Legislative Management during the 2023-24 interim regarding the status of grant programs administered by the department.

Senate Version

Section 30 requires the Department of Commerce to report to the Legislative Management during the 2023-24 interim regarding the status of grant programs administered by the department.

Grant status reports

Emergency - Federal weatherization and energy assistance programs

Section 31 declares the \$210 million of federal funds appropriated in Section 1 for weatherization and energy assistance programs to be an emergency measure.