

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of
2 commerce; and to provide a transfer.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
5 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
7 federal funds, to the department of commerce for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
8 department of commerce, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027,
9 as follows:

	<u>Base Level</u>	Adjustments or <u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
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12	Salaries and wages	\$15,785,306	\$0
13	Operating expenses	19,462,643	0
14	Grants	47,636,118	0
15	Discretionary funds	2,150,000	0
16	Partner programs	907,920	0
17	Entrepreneurship grants and vouchers	<u>948,467</u>	<u>0</u>
18	Total all funds	\$86,890,454	\$0
19	Less other funds	<u>53,344,371</u>	<u>0</u>
20	Total general fund	\$33,546,083	\$0
21	Full-time equivalent positions	62.80	0.00

22 **SECTION 2. TRANSFER - INTERNSHIP FUND.** The office of management and budget
23 shall transfer \$1,006,896 of the amount appropriated in the operating expenses line item in

1 section 1 of this Act to the internship fund for the purpose of administering the operation intern
2 program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

3 **SECTION 3. RURAL HEALTH CARE GRANT PROGRAM - MATCHING FUNDS**

4 **REQUIREMENT.** The grants line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$444,000 from the
5 general fund for providing matching funds to an organization assisting in the recruitment,
6 distribution, and supply, and enhancing the quality and efficiency of personnel providing health
7 services in rural areas of the state. The department of commerce may spend the funds
8 appropriated in this section only to the extent the organization has secured matching funds from
9 nonstate sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis.