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Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1100

Introduced by

Representatives Jonas, Longmuir, Murphy, Pyle, Richter

Senator Roers

1 | A BILL for an Act to provide an exemption to continue free school meal funding for qualified
2 | delinquent meal debt and to provide for a legislative management report.

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

4 | **SECTION 1. EXEMPTION - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION - GRANTS FOR**
5 | **FREE MEALS - QUALIFIED DELINQUENT MEAL DEBT - LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT**
6 | **REPORT.** The sum of \$6,000,000 from the general fund appropriated to the department of
7 | public instruction for grants for free meals in section 17 of chapter 173 of the 2023 Session
8 | Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unspent funds may be continued into the
9 | biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The superintendent of public
10 | instruction shall use the funding continued into the 2025-27 biennium to provide grants to
11 | reimburse school districts for qualified delinquent meal debt. For purposes of this section,
12 | "qualified delinquent meal debt" is defined as meal debt incurred between July 1, 2023, and
13 | June 30, 2025. Grant funds must be provided to each school district based on the district's
14 | prorated share of total statewide qualified delinquent meal debt as of June 30, 2025, not to
15 | exceed the school district's actual amount of delinquent meal debt as of June 30, 2025. The
16 | superintendent of public instruction shall report to legislative management regarding the funding
17 | continued, total delinquent meal debt by school district, and qualified delinquent meal debt grant
18 | funding provided to each school district.