

FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2239

Introduced by

Senators Boschee, Axtman, Wobbema

Representatives O'Brien, Schauer, Schreiber-Beck

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact a new section to chapter 34-05 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to an apprenticeship grant program; and to provide an appropriation.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** A new section to chapter 34-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Apprenticeship grant program.**

7 1. The labor commissioner shall administer an apprenticeship grant program to provide
8 grants to eligible individuals enrolled in qualifying registered apprenticeship programs
9 within this state.

10 2. The labor commissioner, in collaboration with the United States department of labor
11 and the state board for career and technical education shall:

12 a. Establish eligibility guidelines for the program, including requiring full-time
13 enrollment, program progress, and a minimum grade point average or its
14 equivalent; and

15 b. Award an eligible individual up to three thousand dollars within a three-year
16 period while enrolled in an eligible program.

17 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF LABOR AND HUMAN RIGHTS -**

18 **APPRENTICESHIP GRANT PROGRAM.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the
19 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,100,000, or so
20 much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of labor and human rights for the
21 purpose of administering an apprenticeship grant program, for the biennium beginning July 1,
22 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.