

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with House Amendments**

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 54-60 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 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code is created
5 and enacted as follows:

6 **Apprenticeship grant program.**

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

10 2. The commissioner, in collaboration with the United States department of labor and the
11 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 COMMERCE - APPRENTICESHIP**

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