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Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2254

Introduced by

Senators Boschee, Cory, Burckhard, Sickler

Representatives D. Ruby, M. Ruby

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of transportation for fixed route

2 city and paratransit transportation services grants; and to provide for a legislative management

3 study.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

5 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - FIXED ROUTE

6 CITY AND PARATRANSIT TRANSPORTATION GRANTS - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is

7 appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise

8 appropriated, the sum of <u>\$5,000,000</u><u>\$2,000,000</u>, or so much of the sum as may be necessary,

9 to the department of transportation for the purpose of providing grants to fixed route city

10 transportation providers and their associated paratransit services, for the biennium beginning

11 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The funding appropriated in this section is one-time

12 funding item.

13 SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - FIXED ROUTE CITY

14 TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FUNDING. During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative

15 management shall study the funding needs of fixed route city transportation networks. The

16 study must include a review of how the fixed route transportation networks can address

17 population growth, economic development, workforce needs, and health care needs. As part of

18 the study, the legislative management shall develop a proposed funding formula within the

19 department of transportation budget for fixed route city transportation systems. The legislative

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- 1 management shall report its recommendations, along with any legislation necessary to
- 2 implement the recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.