

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

SENATE BILL NO. 2254
(Senators Boschee, Cory, Burckhard, Sickler)
(Representatives D. Ruby, M. Ruby)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the department of transportation for fixed route city paratransit transportation services grants; and to provide for a legislative management study.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - FIXED ROUTE CITY PARATRANSIT TRANSPORTATION GRANTS - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of transportation for the purpose of providing grants to fixed route city transportation providers for associated paratransit services, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The funding appropriated in this section is one-time funding item.

SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - FIXED ROUTE CITY TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FUNDING. During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative management shall study the funding needs of fixed route city transportation networks. The study must include a review of how the fixed route transportation networks can address population growth, economic development, workforce needs, and health care needs. As part of the study, the legislative management shall develop a proposed funding formula within the department of transportation budget for fixed route city transportation systems. The legislative management shall report its recommendations, along with any legislation necessary to implement the recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2254.

Senate Vote: Yeas 43 Nays 4 Absent 0

House Vote: Yeas 88 Nays 5 Absent 1

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2025,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State