

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT**

**ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1581**

Introduced by

Representatives Finley-DeVille, Brown, Davis, Ista

Senators Mathern, Walen

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of commerce for tribal tourism  
2 grants; and to provide for a legislative management report.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE - TRIBAL TOURISM**  
5 **GRANTS - ONE-TIME FUNDING - LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT REPORT.** There is  
6 appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise  
7 appropriated, the sum of \$100,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the  
8 department of commerce for the purpose of providing tribal tourism grants, for the biennium  
9 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. A tribal government in the state may apply to  
10 the department of commerce for a grant of up to \$20,000 to match funds committed by a tribal  
11 government to promote and enhance tribal nation tourism opportunities. A grant application  
12 must include a plan for using funds to promote and enhance tribal nation tourism opportunities  
13 to be overseen by the department of commerce division of tourism. The department of  
14 commerce shall report to legislative management regarding the distribution, use, and impact of  
15 grants. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.