

April 30, 2025

Sixty-ninth  
Legislative Assembly  
of North Dakota

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO  
FIRST ENGROSSMENT**

**ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2006**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

*In place of amendment (25.0173.02001) adopted by the House, Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2006 is amended by amendment (25.0173.02003) as follows:*

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota  
2 aeronautics commission; ~~and~~ to provide an exemption; and to provide a statement of legislative  
3 intent.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and  
8 federal funds, to the North Dakota aeronautics commission for the purpose of defraying the  
9 expenses of the North Dakota aeronautics commission, for the biennium beginning July 1,  
10 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

		Adjustments or	
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
13	Salaries and wages	\$132,794	\$1,922,672
14	New and vacant FTE pool	20,495	20,495
15	Operating expenses	(119)	3,284,881
16	<del>Grants</del>	<del>123,775,000</del>	<del>150,875,000</del>
17	<del>Total all funds</del>	<del>\$123,928,170</del>	<del>\$156,103,048</del>
18	<del>Less other funds</del>	<del>123,928,170</del>	<del>155,628,048</del>
19	<u>Grants</u>	<u>93,775,000</u>	<u>120,875,000</u>

1	<u>Total all funds</u>	<u>\$32,174,878</u>	<u>\$93,928,170</u>	<u>\$126,103,048</u>
2	<u>Less other funds</u>	<u>31,699,878</u>	<u>93,928,170</u>	<u>125,628,048</u>
3	Total general fund	\$475,000	\$0	\$475,000
4	Full-time equivalent positions	7.00	0.00	7.00

**SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO**

**SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act which are not included in the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium and which the entity shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly regarding the use of this funding:

10	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>
11	<del>Generational airport projects</del>	<del>\$120,000,000</del>
12	<del>Total</del>	<del>\$120,000,000</del>
13	<u>Generational airport projects</u>	<u>\$90,000,000</u>
14	<u>Total</u>	<u>\$90,000,000</u>

**SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST.** The

North Dakota aeronautics commission may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the salaries and wages line item in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

**SECTION 4. OTHER FUNDS - AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE FUND - AIRPORT**

**GRANTS - EXEMPTION.** The other funds appropriation in section 1 of this Act includes \$20,000,000 from the airport infrastructure fund for the aeronautics commission to provide grants to airports during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to this funding, and any funds not spent by June 30, 2027, must be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2027, and ending June 30, 2029, and may be expended only for providing grants to airports.

**SECTION 5. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND**

**- GENERATIONAL AIRPORT PROJECTS - EXEMPTION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT.**

1. The other funds appropriation in section 1 of this Act includes

~~\$120,000,000~~ \$90,000,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund for

1 generational airport projects during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending  
2 June 30, 2027.

3 2. Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to ~~this funding~~the funding identified in this section  
4 and appropriated in section 1 of this Act, and any funds not spent by June 30, 2027,  
5 must be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2027, and ending June 30,  
6 2029, and may be expended only for generational airport projects.

7 3. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that state funds not be used to  
8 replace any federal grant funds applied for but not received for a generational airport  
9 project. It is further the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that, of the funding  
10 identified in this section, \$45,000,000 is for the Fargo commercial terminal expansion  
11 project, \$20,000,000 is for the Grand Forks primary runway reconstruction project, and  
12 \$25,000,000 is for the Dickinson terminal construction project.

13 **SECTION 6. DICKINSON AIRPORT PROJECT DEBT REPAYMENTS.** During the 2025-27  
14 biennium, the city of Dickinson shall use funding allocated to it from the hub city debt relief  
15 funding pool under section 57-51-15 for debt repayments related to debt incurred for a project at  
16 the Dickinson airport.

17 **SECTION 7. EXEMPTION - INTERNATIONAL PEACE GARDEN AIRPORT**  
18 **REHABILITATION PROJECT.** The sum of \$3,750,000 appropriated from federal funds and  
19 special funds for the International Peace Garden airport pavement rehabilitation project in  
20 section 1 of chapter 6 of the 2023 Session Laws is not subject to the provisions of section  
21 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from these appropriations are available and may be  
22 expended during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2006 - Aeronautics Commission - Conference Committee Action**

	Base Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Salaries and wages	\$1,789,878	\$1,922,672		\$1,922,672	\$1,922,672	
New and vacant FTE pool		20,495		20,495	20,495	
Operating expenses	3,285,000	3,284,881		3,284,881	3,284,881	
Grants	27,100,000	150,875,000	(\$30,000,000)	120,875,000	30,875,000	\$90,000,000
Total all funds	\$32,174,878	\$156,103,048	(\$30,000,000)	\$126,103,048	\$36,103,048	\$90,000,000
Less estimated income	31,699,878	155,628,048	(30,000,000)	125,628,048	35,628,048	90,000,000
General fund	\$475,000	\$475,000	\$0	\$475,000	\$475,000	\$0
FTE	7.00	7.00	0.00	7.00	7.00	0.00

**Department 412 - Aeronautics Commission - Detail of Conference Committee Changes**

	Decreases One-Time Funding for Generational Airport Projects <sup>1</sup>	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages		
New and vacant FTE pool		
Operating expenses		
Grants	(\$30,000,000)	(\$30,000,000)
Total all funds	(\$30,000,000)	(\$30,000,000)
Less estimated income	(30,000,000)	(30,000,000)
General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> One-time funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) is decreased by \$30 million to provide total funding of \$90 million from SIIF for generational airport projects in Fargo (\$45 million), Grand Forks (\$20 million), and Dickinson (\$25 million). The Senate provided \$120 million from SIIF for generational airport projects. The House did not provide funding for the generational airport projects.

**Senate Bill No. 2006 - Other Changes - Conference Committee Action**

This amendment also:

- Provides legislative intent that any federal grant funds applied for, but not received for the generational airport projects not be replaced by state funds and that \$45 million is for the Fargo commercial terminal expansion project, \$20 million is for the Grand Forks primary runway reconstruction project, and \$25 million is for the Dickinson terminal construction project.
- Adds a section to require the city of Dickinson to use funding allocated from the hub city debt relief funding pool for debt repayments related to debt incurred for the Dickinson terminal construction project.