

Department of Commerce - Budget No. 601
Agency Worksheet - Senate Bill No. 2018

Legislative Council

	Senate Version				House Version				House Compared to Senate Version			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	Increase (Decrease)			
									FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	62.80	\$33,546,083	\$53,344,371	\$86,890,454	62.80	\$33,546,083	\$53,344,371	\$86,890,454	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		\$67,653	\$82,578	\$150,231		\$67,653	\$82,578	\$150,231				\$0
Adds funding for the cost to continue salary increases		238,480	45,544	284,024		238,480	45,544	284,024				0
Salary increase		531,691	127,953	659,644		531,691	127,953	659,644				0
Health insurance increase		294,619	77,709	372,328		294,619	77,709	372,328				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		405,880		405,880		405,880		405,880				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		560,856	102,571	663,427		560,856	102,571	663,427				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool				0				0				0
Adjusts funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool		(198,263)	(51,422)	(249,685)		(198,263)	(51,422)	(249,685)				0
Adds funding for a FTE North Dakota Development Fund position				0				0				0
Adds funding for a FTE procurement officer position				0				0				0
Removes a FTE position	(1.00)	(199,286)		(199,286)	(1.00)	(199,286)		(199,286)				0
Adds funding for temporary salaries for temporary staff and an office intern				0				0				0
Adds funding for North Dakota Development Fund temporary salaries				0				0				0
Adds federal funding for temporary salaries and operating expenses to maintain building codes			98,583	98,583			98,583	98,583				0
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases			54,666	54,666			54,666	54,666				0
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		(21,481)	10,654	(10,827)		(21,481)	10,654	(10,827)				0
Adds funding for operating expenses of the Global Talent Office				0				0				0
Adds federal funding for AmeriCorps program operating expenses			290,000	290,000			290,000	290,000				0
Reduces ongoing funding for the operation intern program		(6,896)		(6,896)		(6,896)		(6,896)				0
Removes funding for the continuum of care program and the state apprenticeship program		(81,713)	(1,097,157)	(1,178,870)		(81,713)	(1,097,157)	(1,178,870)				0
Adds federal funding for AmeriCorps and weatherization grant programs			3,132,157	3,132,157			3,132,157	3,132,157				0
Reduces federal funding for community development and community services block grants			(2,086,940)	(2,086,940)			(2,086,940)	(2,086,940)				0
Removes funding from the uncrewed aircraft systems (UAS) fund for UAS program grants			(1,020,150)	(1,020,150)			(1,020,150)	(1,020,150)				0
Total ongoing funding changes	(1.00)	\$1,591,540	(\$233,254)	\$1,358,286	(1.00)	\$1,591,540	(\$233,254)	\$1,358,286	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
One-Time Funding Items												
Adds one-time funding for temporary salaries for temporary staff and an office intern		\$50,000	\$3,590	\$53,590		\$50,000	\$3,590	\$53,590				\$0
Adds one-time funding for North Dakota Development Fund temporary salaries			100,000	100,000			100,000	100,000				0

Adds funding for tourism marketing awareness			7,000,000	7,000,000			10,000,000	10,000,000			\$3,000,000	3,000,000
Adds funding for operating expenses of the operation intern program		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000				0
Adds funding for an infrastructure study				0		100,000		100,000		\$100,000		100,000
Adds funding for a state radar data pathfinder				0				0				0
Adds funding for an uncrewed aerial vehicle replacement grant program				0			16,000,000	16,000,000			16,000,000	16,000,000
Adds one-time funding for the Global Talent Office		1,000,000		1,000,000		1,000,000		1,000,000				0
Adds funding for a housing for opportunity, mobility, and empowerment program				0				0				0
Adds funding for the community property improvements grant program				0				0				0
Adds funding for tourism destination development grants			20,000,000	20,000,000			20,000,000	20,000,000				0
Adds funding for UAS program grants				0			1,000,000	1,000,000			1,000,000	1,000,000
Adds funding for the beyond visual line of sight UAS program grants			10,000,000	10,000,000			20,000,000	20,000,000			10,000,000	10,000,000
Adds funding for the enhanced use lease grant			5,000,000	5,000,000			5,000,000	5,000,000				0
Adds funding for autonomous agriculture grants			5,000,000	5,000,000			10,000,000	10,000,000			5,000,000	5,000,000
Adds funding for base enhancement grants			1,000,000	1,000,000			1,000,000	1,000,000				0
Adds funding for grants to tribally controlled community colleges		750,000		750,000		750,000		750,000				0
Adds funding for a Native American small business grant				0			600,000	600,000			600,000	600,000
Adds funding for the entrepreneurship grants and vouchers program		759,044		759,044		759,044		759,044				0
Adds funding for regional workforce impact program grants			5,000,000	5,000,000			10,000,000	10,000,000			5,000,000	5,000,000
Adds funding for operating expenses of the find the good life initiative				0				0				0
Adds funding for technical skills training grants		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000		2,000,000				0
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$6,559,044	\$53,103,590	\$59,662,634	0.00	\$6,659,044	\$93,703,590	\$100,362,634	0.00	\$100,000	\$40,600,000	\$40,700,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	(1.00)	\$8,150,584	\$52,870,336	\$61,020,920	(1.00)	\$8,250,584	\$93,470,336	\$101,720,920	0.00	\$100,000	\$40,600,000	\$40,700,000
2025-27 Total Funding	61.80	\$41,696,667	\$106,214,707	\$147,911,374	61.80	\$41,796,667	\$146,814,707	\$188,611,374	0.00	\$100,000	\$40,600,000	\$40,700,000

Federal funds included in other funds

\$44,422,096

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Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	(1.6%)	4.7%	(0.4%)	1.6%	(1.6%)	4.7%	(0.4%)	1.6%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	(1.6%)	24.3%	99.1%	70.2%	(1.6%)	24.6%	175.2%	117.1%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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Section Description	Senate Version	House Version
New and vacant FTE pool line item	Section 3 provides the Department of Commerce may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.	Section 3 provides the Department of Commerce may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE funding pool line item but may request the Office of Management and Budget to transfer funds to the salaries and wages line item.

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Appropriation - Autonomous Technology Grants - Attorney General - Matching Funds Requirement - One-time funding - Legislative Management Report		Section 4 appropriates \$250,000 of one-time funding from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) to the Attorney General for autonomous technology grants for the 2025-27 biennium. The Attorney General may require grant recipients to provide \$1 of matching funds from nonstate sources for every \$4 provided by the state. The Attorney General is required to report to the Legislative Management during the 2025-26 interim regarding the status of the grants.	
Appropriation - Autonomous Technology Grants - Department of Career and Technical Education - Matching Funds Requirement - One-time funding - Legislative Management Report		Section 5 appropriates \$250,000 of one-time funding from SIIF to the Department of Career and Technical Education for autonomous technology grants for the 2025-27 biennium. The department may require grant recipients to provide \$1 of matching funds from nonstate sources for every \$4 provided by the state. The department is required to report to the Legislative Management during the 2025-26 interim regarding the status of the grants.	
Transfer - General fund to internship fund	Section 4 requires the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to transfer \$3,000,000 appropriated from the general fund in Section 1 to the internship fund for the Department of Commerce to administer the Operation Intern program during the 2025-27 biennium.	Section 6 requires the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) to transfer \$3,000,000 appropriated from the general fund in Section 1 to the internship fund for the Department of Commerce to administer the Operation Intern program during the 2025-27 biennium.	
Transfer - SIIF to legacy investment for technology (LIFT) fund	Section 5 requires OMB to transfer \$5 million from SIIF to the LIFT fund for the purpose of providing innovation technology loans during the 2025-27 biennium.	Section 7 requires OMB to transfer \$10 million from SIIF to the LIFT fund for the purpose of providing innovation technology loans during the 2025-27 biennium.	
Transfer - SIIF to North Dakota Development Fund	Section 6 requires OMB to transfer \$30 million from SIIF to the North Dakota Development Fund during the 2025-27 biennium.	Section 8 requires OMB to transfer \$30 million from SIIF to the North Dakota Development Fund during the 2025-27 biennium. The North Dakota Development Fund may use the funds provided in this section for non-primary sector business activities and for grants only to the extent an eligible organization has secured matching funds from nonstate sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis.	
Bank of North Dakota line of credit - Transfer to the North Dakota Development Fund		Section 9 allows the Department of Commerce to borrow up to \$75,000,000 through a Bank of North Dakota line of credit to be transferred to the North Dakota Development Fund.	
Rural health care grant program - Matching funds requirement	Section 7 identifies \$444,000 appropriated from the general fund is for the rural health care grant program. The department may spend this funding only to the extent a grant recipient has secured matching funds from nonstate sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis.	Section 10 identifies \$444,000 appropriated from the general fund is for the rural health care grant program. The department may spend this funding only to the extent a grant recipient has secured matching funds from nonstate sources on a dollar-for-dollar basis.	

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SIIF	Section 8 identifies \$53,000,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, including \$7,000,000 for tourism marketing awareness, \$20,000,000 for tourism destination development grants, \$10,000,000 for the beyond visual line of sight UAS program, \$5,000,000 for the enhanced use lease grant program, \$5,000,000 for autonomous agriculture grants, \$1,000,000 is for base enhancement grants, and \$5,000,000 is for regional workforce impact program grants. Of the \$7,000,000 for tourism marketing awareness, \$150,000 is designated for the continuation of the North Dakota state magazine with the current publisher of the magazine. Of the \$1,000,000 for base enhancement grants, \$600,000 is for eligible organizations in Minot, \$250,000 is for eligible organizations in Grand Forks, and \$150,000 is for eligible organizations in Fargo. The \$5,000,000 provided autonomous agriculture grants may be provided for autonomous trucking activities.	Section 11 identifies \$93,600,000 appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF, including \$10,000,000 for tourism marketing awareness, \$16,000,000 for an uncrewed aerial vehicle replacement program, \$20,000,000 for tourism destination development grants, \$1,000,000 for UAS program grants, \$20,000,000 for the beyond visual line of sight UAS program, \$5,000,000 for the enhanced use lease grant program, \$10,000,000 for autonomous agriculture grants, \$1,000,000 is for base enhancement grants, \$600,000 for a Native American small business grant, and \$10,000,000 is for regional workforce impact program grants. Of the \$1,000,000 for base enhancement grants, \$600,000 is for eligible organizations in Minot, \$250,000 is for eligible organizations in Grand Forks, and \$150,000 is for eligible organizations in Fargo.	
Uncrewed aerial vehicle replacement program - Legislative Management report		Section 12 identifies \$16,000,000 of one-time funding appropriated from SIIF in Section 1 is for an uncrewed aerial vehicle replacement program. The department is required to report to the Legislative Management during the 2025-26 interim on the status of the program.	
Tribally controlled community college grants - Reporting requirements	Section 9 identifies \$750,000 appropriated in Section 1 from the general fund in the grants line item for providing workforce development grants to a tribally controlled community college in the Turtle Mountain area. A tribally controlled community college must partner with at least one high school in the state for programs under section 54-60.2-02. During the 2025-26 interim, a tribally controlled community college receiving funding under this program is required to report to the Department of Commerce by August 1, 2026, regarding the use of grant funds and the department is required to provide a report to the Legislative Management by October 1, 2026, regarding the use of grant funds.	Section 13 identifies \$750,000 appropriated in Section 1 from the general fund in the grants line item for providing workforce development grants to a tribally controlled community college in the Turtle Mountain area. A tribally controlled community college must partner with at least one high school in the state for programs under section 54-60.2-02. During the 2025-26 interim, a tribally controlled community college receiving funding under this program is required to report to the Department of Commerce by August 1, 2026, regarding the use of grant funds and the department is required to provide a report to the Legislative Management by October 1, 2026, regarding the use of grant funds.	
Discretionary funds - Native American small business grant	Section 10 identifies of the \$2,150,000 appropriated from the general fund in Section 1, \$600,000 is designated for a grant to support an organization dedicated to assisting Native American small businesses in North Dakota.		
Infrastructure study		Section 14 identifies \$100,000 of one-time funding appropriated from the general fund in Section 1 is for contracting for a study of infrastructure necessary to implement Section 15 this Act.	
Amendment - Tribal-state gaming compact		Section 15 amends Subsection 5 of Section 54-58-03 related to the tribal-state gaming compact to allow gaming in Grand Forks County.	
Amendment - Department of Commerce grant reporting requirements	Section 11 creates a new section to Chapter 54-60 to require the Department of Commerce to report to the Budget Section semiannually regarding grants administered by the department, excluding federally funded programs.	Section 16 creates a new section to Chapter 54-60 to require the Department of Commerce to report to the Budget Section semiannually regarding grants administered by the department, excluding federally funded programs.	
Amendment - Office of Legal Immigration renamed the Office of Global Talent or Global Talent Office	Section 12 amends Section 54-60-31 to change the name of the Office of Legal Immigration to the Office of Global Talent.	Section 17 amends Section 54-60-31 to change the name of the Office of Legal Immigration to the Global Talent Office.	

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Exemption - Community development block grant	Subsection 1 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,000,000 appropriated from the federal COVID-19 funds during the 2019-21 biennium and continued into the 2021-23 and 2023-25 bienniums for the community development block grant program into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 1 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,000,000 appropriated from the federal COVID-19 funds during the 2019-21 biennium and continued into the 2021-23 and 2023-25 bienniums for the community development block grant program into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - State small business credit initiative	Subsection 2 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$56,234,176 appropriated from the federal COVID-19 funds during the 2021-23 biennium and continued into the 2023-25 biennium for the state small business credit initiative program into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 2 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$56,234,176 appropriated from the federal COVID-19 funds during the 2021-23 biennium and continued into the 2023-25 biennium for the state small business credit initiative program into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Workforce development incentive grants	Subsection 3 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund during the 2021-23 biennium and continued into the 2023-25 biennium for the workforce development incentive grant program into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 3 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$15,000,000 appropriated from the federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund during the 2021-23 biennium and continued into the 2023-25 biennium for the workforce development incentive grant program into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Technical skills training grants	Subsection 4 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$5,000,000 appropriated from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund during the 2021-23 biennium and continued into the 2023-25 biennium for the technical skills training grants program into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 4 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$5,000,000 appropriated from the State Fiscal Recovery Fund during the 2021-23 biennium and continued into the 2023-25 biennium for the technical skills training grants program into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Workforce programs	Subsection 5 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$28,500,000 appropriated from the general fund during the 2023-25 biennium for workforce programs into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 5 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$28,500,000 appropriated from the general fund during the 2023-25 biennium for workforce programs into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Tourism destination development initiative	Subsection 6 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$25,000,000 appropriated from SIIF during the 2023-25 biennium for the tourism destination development initiative into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 6 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$25,000,000 appropriated from SIIF during the 2023-25 biennium for the tourism destination development initiative into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Enhanced use lease grant program	Subsection 7 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$10,000,000 appropriated from SIIF during the 2023-25 biennium for the enhanced use lease grant program into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 7 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$10,000,000 appropriated from SIIF during the 2023-25 biennium for the enhanced use lease grant program into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Weatherization and energy assistance grant programs	Subsection 8 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$120,000,000 appropriated from federal funds derived from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and Inflation Reduction Act during the 2023-25 biennium for weatherization and energy assistance programs into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 8 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$120,000,000 appropriated from federal funds derived from the Infrastructure Investment and Jobs Act and Inflation Reduction Act during the 2023-25 biennium for weatherization and energy assistance programs into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Discretionary funds	Subsection 9 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$2,150,000 appropriated from the general fund during the 2023-25 biennium for discretionary funds into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 9 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$2,150,000 appropriated from the general fund during the 2023-25 biennium for discretionary funds into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Heating, furnace, and cooling assistance grant programs	Subsection 13 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,258,084 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for heating, furnace, and cooling assistance grants into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 10 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$3,258,084 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for heating, furnace, and cooling assistance grants into the 2025-27 biennium.	

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Exemption - Energy conservation assistance grant program	Subsection 13 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$14,081,719 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for energy conservation assistance grants into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 11 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$14,081,719 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for energy conservation assistance grants into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Parks and recreation program	Subsection 13 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$1,550,000 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for the parks and recreation program into the 2025-27 biennium and authorize the department to use the funding for operating expenses related to the program.	Subsection 12 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$1,550,000 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for the parks and recreation program into the 2025-27 biennium and authorize the department to use the funding for operating expenses related to the program.	
Exemption - State small business credit initiative	Subsection 13 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$572,143 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for the state small business credit initiative program into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 13 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$572,143 appropriated from the federal funds during the 2023-25 biennium for the state small business credit initiative program into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Entrepreneurship grants and vouchers program		Subsection 14 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funds of the \$740,966 appropriated from the general fund and \$207,511 appropriated from the economic development fund during the 2023-25 biennium for the entrepreneurship grants and vouchers program into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Office of Legal Immigration	Subsection 14 of Section 13 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$2,000,000 appropriated from the general fund during the 2023-25 biennium for the Office of Legal Immigration into the 2025-27 biennium.	Subsection 15 of Section 18 allows the Department of Commerce to continue any remaining funding of the \$2,000,000 appropriated from the general fund during the 2023-25 biennium for the Office of Legal Immigration into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Emergency		Section 19 declares the \$16,000,000 of one-time funding appropriated in Section 1 from SIIF for an uncrewed aerial vehicle replacement program an emergency measure.	