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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193

Introduced by

Representatives Vetter, Bahl, Holle, Motschenbacher, Satrom, Christianson, McLeod,
Schauer

Senators Barta, Cory, Meyer

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the attorney general for a peace officer and
2 correctional officer appreciation grant program.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - ATTORNEY GENERAL - PEACE OFFICER AND**
5 **CORRECTIONAL OFFICER APPRECIATION GRANT PROGRAM - ONE-TIME FUNDING.**

6 There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise
7 appropriated, the sum of ~~\$8,450,000~~\$3,500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary,
8 to the attorney general for the purpose of a peace officer and correctional officer appreciation
9 grant program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The
10 attorney general shall provide grants to:

- 11 ~~1. State agencies and political subdivisions on a reimbursement basis based on the~~
12 ~~number of peace officers licensed in good standing under chapter 12-63 and who~~
13 ~~have been employed by the same North Dakota state agency or political subdivision in~~
14 ~~a law enforcement capacity for at least four consecutive years.~~
15 ~~2. The department of corrections and rehabilitation based on the number of correctional~~
16 ~~officers employed by the department of corrections and rehabilitation for at least four~~
17 ~~consecutive years.~~

18 State agencies and political subdivisions receiving a grant under this program shall use the
19 funds only for providing each eligible peace officer or correctional officer an appreciation salary
20 bonus of up to \$6,000 at the end of each fiscal year. The attorney general shall establish an

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1 ~~application process and eligibility requirements for the program in consultation with the peace-~~
2 ~~officer standards and training board and the department of corrections and rehabilitation. The~~
3 attorney general shall provide grants to each city and county law enforcement agency in the
4 state based on the proportional number of licensed peace officers and correctional officers
5 employed by the city or county law enforcement agency compared to the total number of
6 licensed peace officers and correctional officers employed by all city and county law
7 enforcement agencies. Of the funding available for this program, a sum of at least \$750,000
8 must be granted to city and county law enforcement agencies employing ten or fewer
9 employees working in a law enforcement capacity. Funding appropriated in this section may be
10 used for providing hiring and retention bonuses to new and current law enforcement and
11 correctional officers and providing tuition and fee payments on behalf of law enforcement
12 trainees. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.