

## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO COMBINE ELEMENTS OF HB 1265 INTO HB 1448

Page 1, line 17 insert:

“g. “Executive Director for Dakota Digital Academy” means the Executive Director for the Dakota Digital Academy of the North Dakota University System.”

Page 2, line 9 insert:

The Executive Director of the Dakota Digital Academy administered by the North Dakota University System.

Page 2, line 16:

After “information technology” insert “Executive Director of the Dakota Digital Academy”

Page 3, Line 20:

Delete current section 3 and replace it with page 3 section 3 from HB 1265

Beyond those specific elements, I propose two other areas for consideration in the section of Advanced technology grant program – Eligibility – Use of funds:

1. The bill should spell out who is eligible to apply for a grant. Maybe something on the order of:  
“The Advanced Technology Grant Program is open to North Dakota organizations and individuals who demonstrate the capacity to advance technological innovation and digital transformation in the state. Eligible applicants include business and industry, individual applicants, public sector organizations, and non-profit organizations.”
2. The bill needs to spell out a reporting cycle. Maybe something on the order of:  
The committee shall annually prepare a report of the projects that were funded to include a description of the project, the dollar amount funded, the success of the project and any other related information and deliver it to legislative council by <date>.