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## PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

### SENATE BILL NO. 2016

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of job service North  
2 Dakota; and to provide an exemption.

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

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

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
12 <del>Salaries and wages</del>	<del>\$34,722,502</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$34,722,502</del>
13 <del>Operating expenses</del>	<del>22,290,155</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>22,290,155</del>
14 <del>Capital assets</del>	<del>20,000</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>20,000</del>
15 <del>Grants</del>	<del>8,054,512</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>8,054,512</del>
16 <del>Reed Act unemployment insurance</del>	<del>10,915,000</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>10,915,000</del>
17 <del>—computer modernization</del>			
18 <del>Total all funds</del>	<del>\$76,002,169</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$76,002,169</del>
19 <del>Less other funds</del>	<del>69,268,250</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>69,268,250</del>

1       **SECTION 5. OTHER FUNDS - REED ACT FUNDS - UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE**

2       **COMPUTER MODERNIZATION.** The other funds appropriation in section 1 of this Act includes  
3 the sum of \$10,915,000 from federal Reed Act funds made available to the state by the federal  
4 Reed Act distributions made in federal fiscal years 1957, 1958, 1999, and 2002, pursuant to  
5 section 903 of the federal Social Security Act. This sum, or so much of the sum as may be  
6 necessary, is for the purpose of developing a modernization unemployment insurance computer  
7 system.

8       **SECTION 6. EXEMPTION - UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE MODERNIZATION**

9       **PROJECT - FEDERAL STATE FISCAL RECOVERY FUND.** The amount of \$45,000,000 from  
10 federal funds derived from the state fiscal recovery fund for the unemployment insurance  
11 modernization project in section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2023 Session Laws is not subject to  
12 section 54-44.1-11, and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be continued and  
13 used during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

<sup>2</sup> Funding is added to replace the 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE funding pool as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023-25 new FTE pool	\$439,818	\$0	\$439,818
2023-25 vacant FTE pool	<u>21,119</u>	<u>1,587,716</u>	<u>1,608,835</u>
Total	\$460,937	\$1,587,716	\$2,048,653

<sup>3</sup> Adds funding for an FTE H2A foreign agricultural workers program position.

<sup>4</sup> Funding of \$2,252,705 is removed for estimated savings from new and vacant 2025-27 FTE positions and \$1,614,189 is added for a new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	<u>General Fund</u>	<u>Other Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
New FTE positions	(\$186,472)	\$0	(\$186,472)
Vacant FTE positions	<u>(230,575)</u>	<u>(1,835,658)</u>	<u>(2,066,233)</u>
Total	(\$417,047)	(\$1,835,658)	(\$2,252,705)
New and vacant FTE pool line item	<u>329,228</u>	<u>1,284,961</u>	<u>1,614,189</u>
Net savings	(\$87,819)	(\$550,697)	(\$638,516)

<sup>5</sup> Reduces funding from federal funds (\$2,917,152) and increases funding from special funds (\$2,386) for operating expenses, including operating fees, repairs, and IT services.

<sup>6</sup> Funding is adjusted between the salaries and wages and operating expenses line items.

<sup>7</sup> Adds funding for IT rate increases.

<sup>8</sup> Adds funding for increased mainframe leasing (\$235,500) and hosting (\$238,500) costs.

<sup>9</sup> Adds one-time funding from the general fund to replace salaries and wages funding from federal funds.

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### Senate Bill No. 2016 - Other Changes - Senate Action

A section is added:

- Regarding the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.
- To provide an exemption to continue funding from the \$45,000,000 of federal funds appropriated during the 2023-25 biennium for the unemployment insurance modernization project into the 2025-27 biennium.