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2005 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2267

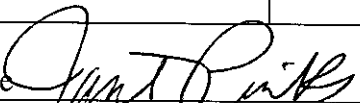
2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2267

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 25, 2005

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
2	a	b	446 - 515
Committee Clerk Signature 			

Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg opened the hearing on SB 2267.

Linda Wright, Director of Aging Services Division, Dept of Human Services, appeared to inform the Senate Appropriations Committee and provided written testimony, a fact sheet, county assessment value and mills for senior citizens, and mill levy statistics, on SB 2267. She discussed the history of the senior citizens mill levy, the matching funds, and what the mill levy is used for.

Questions were raised as to whether the Department had any provision in their budget for this request, whether people with adequate funds could pay for meals on wheels, the mandates to receive meals on wheels, the funding sources, if no appropriation, where would money come from to pay for program. Responses can be heard on the taped testimony.

Carol Wright, representative of North Dakota Senior Service Providers, provided written testimony in **support of SB 2267**. She described what the bill contains, the history of the

matching program, the current request to restore the mill levy match, the significant increase of in home services within the state, and what services various counties are stopping.

Questions were raised regarding the ability of individuals to pay for services, the federal guidelines, the ability of counties to provide additional funding, the percentage of federal compensation, the ability to fund one or two services rather than all services. Responses can be heard on tape 2 of the audio recording.

Ray Siver, Incoming President, Greater Grand Forks Senior Citizens Assn, presented written testimony in **support of SB 2267**. He described the senior citizen program situation in Grand Forks, indicating there is a two week waiting list for outreach workers to go qualify individuals for services. He then discussed the impact the under funding of programs has had in Grand Forks.

Questions were raised regarding the qualification process, the place the county places in funding these programs, the weight of this program versus the homestead program.

Betty Keegan, President, AARP North Dakota, presented verbal testimony in **support of SB 2267**. She indicated AARP has been supportive of each mill levy match during each session of the legislature.

Senator Christmann asked OMB or Legislative Council to look into the possibility of separating the congregate meals and the meals on wheels. Secondly, I would like explanation of the transportation money being used for business or entertainment.

Linda Wright indicated the transportation services cannot nor are not used for entertainment services as this is prohibited in the mill levy rules.

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Senator Kilzer requested documentation from the Legislative Council as to what amount of money and increase in mill levy would generate.

Hearing no further testimony the hearing on SB 2267 closed.


2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2267

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 4, 2005

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		b	1,906
Committee Clerk Signature 			

Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg indicated SB 2267 is being provided with a requested handout of data.. Allan, Legislative Council, distributed a five page handout of requested information regarding SB 2267 which was put together by the Department of Human Services showing various scenarios. The first sheet shows what the match would be if all counties went to 2 mils; the second sheet has similar information with the approval of SB 2267 to add the additional \$3 million; the third sheet shows the current amount that counties are levying plus the approved \$3 million of SB 2267; the fourth page shows the actual expenditures of the Division of Older Americans Act Service Report and the last page is the Older Americans Act Funding flexibility availability.

Briefing session was closed.


2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2267

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 10, 2005

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		b	3,654
Committee Clerk Signature 			

Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg called the discussion to order on SB 2267. He discussed the suggested amendment for 2267 and reviewed the questions raised at the original hearing. He requested the amendment asking that the bill and concept be kept alive, reduce the appropriation from \$3 million to \$500,000, and that providers be encouraged to allocate more funds to home-delivered meals.

Senator Mathern moved a do pass on the amendment for 2267. Senator Andrist seconded.

Discussion took place. It was requested to vote on the amendment in two sections.

Senator Krauter expressed concerns of the Older Americans Act about separating out the meals on wheels.

Chairman Holmberg indicating that funding had been transferred between home delivered meals and congregate meals which shows there is flexibility. This is a money issue and need to determine if there is money and where it comes from.

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Senate Appropriations Committee

Bill/Resolution Number 2267

Hearing Date February 10, 2005

Senator Thane discussed the existing budget.

Chairman Holmberg indicated that passing this through our committee will demonstrate that this committee thinks it is important.

Senator Fischer moved do pass on Section 1, **Senator Andrist** seconded. A roll call vote was taken for Section 1 of the amendment. The vote was **10 yes and 5 no**.

A verbal vote was taken on **Section 2** with a unanimous **do pass**.

A roll call vote was taken on **SB 2267** with a **do pass on the bill with the amendment**. The bill passed with amendment. Senator Holmberg will carry the bill.

Chairman Holmberg closed the session on SB 2267.

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
04/20/2005

Amendment to: Engrossed
SB 2267

1A. State fiscal effect: *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

	2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues			(\$2,012,000)	\$2,012,000		
Expenditures						
Appropriations						

1B. County, city, and school district fiscal effect: *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. Narrative: *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

Section 3 of Engrossed SB 2267 with Conference Committee Amendments allocates a portion of the sales, use and motor vehicle excise tax collections to the senior citizen services and programs fund.

3. State fiscal effect detail: *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

It is estimated the 2/3's mill on the taxable valuation of all property would equal approx. \$991,000 in FY 06 and \$1,021,000 in FY 07. This amount of revenue would be certified to the State Treasurer, and will reduce state general fund revenues and increase senior citizen services fund revenues by an estimated \$2,012,000 during the 2005-07 biennium. Note: It is possible that the state aid distribution fund would be negatively impacted as well as the general fund, but the bill is unclear relative to this aspect of the distribution. Also unclear is if the entire transfer would be made in the first month, or prorated over the first six months of each fiscal year.

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

Name:	Kathryn L. Strombeck	Agency:	Office of Tax Commissioner
Phone Number:	328-3402	Date Prepared:	04/20/2005

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04/01/2005

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Name:	Kathryn L. Strombeck	Agency:	Office of Tax Commissioner
Phone Number:	328-3402	Date Prepared:	04/01/2005

Date 2/10/05
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB

Senate SENATE APPROPRIATIONS Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 58304-0101 Section 1

Action Taken Do Pass

Motion Made By Sen Fischer Seconded By Sen Andrist

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
CHAIRMAN HOLMBERG	✓		SENATOR KRAUTER		✓
VICE CHAIRMAN BOWMAN	✓		SENATOR LINDAAS		✓
VICE CHAIRMAN GRINDBERG	✓		SENATOR MATHERN		✓
SENATOR ANDRIST	✓		SENATOR ROBINSON		✓
SENATOR CHRISTMANN	✓		SEN. TALLACKSON		✓
SENATOR FISCHER					
	✓				
SENATOR KILZER	✓				
SENATOR KRINGSTAD	✓				
SENATOR SCHOBINGER	✓				
SENATOR THANE	✓				

Total (Yes) 10 No 5

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Senator Holmberg

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

This vote on Section 1 of Amendment
Vote on 2 Section was voice count unanimous yes
Do Pass

Date 2/10/05
Roll Call Vote #: 2

2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267

Senate SENATE APPROPRIATIONS Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number _____

Action Taken Do Pass on bill with amendment

Motion Made By Sen Mather Seconded By Sen Tallackson

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
CHAIRMAN HOLMBERG	✓		SENATOR KRAUTER	✓	
VICE CHAIRMAN BOWMAN	✓		SENATOR LINDAAS	✓	
VICE CHAIRMAN GRINDBERG	✓		SENATOR MATHERN	✓	
SENATOR ANDRIST	✓		SENATOR ROBINSON	✓	
SENATOR CHRISTMANN	✓		SEN. TALLACKSON	✓	
SENATOR FISCHER	✓				
SENATOR KILZER	✓				
SENATOR KRINGSTAD	✓				
SENATOR SCHOBINGER	✓				
SENATOR THANE	✓				

Total (Yes) 15 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Senator Holmberg

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2267: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (15 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2267 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 1, after "citizens" insert "; and to provide a statement of legislative intent"

Page 1, line 4, replace "\$3,000,000" with "\$500,000"

Page 1, after line 8, insert:

"SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - HOME-DELIVERED MEALS. It is the intent of the fifty-ninth legislative assembly that the department of human services encourage providers, to the extent possible, to allocate additional resources to making available more home-delivered meals for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007."

Renumber accordingly

2005 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2267

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267

Increased Funding of Senior Citizen Meals Program

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

Hearing Date: 3-1-05 Tuesday a.m.

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
I	X	X	17.9 - 16.5
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Diane M. Overly</i>			

Minutes: **Chairman Delzer** opened the hearing on SB 2267 at 9:58 a.m.

Sen. Robert Erbele, District 28, introduced the bill saying there has not been any increases for many years. He did not have the history of it for past administrations.

Sen. Ray Holmberg, District 17, mentioned the parallel between SB 2267 and HB 1010. Both passed because money had not increased in awhile for these senior program entities. The increase in SB 2267 would raise the match amount to 68.7 cents. What is important is keeping older citizens in their homes with delivered meals. Good nutrition is key to making this happen. (See one-page gold handout).

Chairman Delzer: Do you feel section two is tight enough to encourage the agencies to use the state money on in-home meals?

Sen. Holmberg: It might not be. I will leave a copy of the recap we got of the Older American Act which gives the flexibility between their Title C-1 congregate meals and Title C-2

home-delivered meals. The allowable amounts that can be transferred between them is 30% (see one-page Older Americans Act Funding handout).

Chairman Delzer: Did you discuss limiting the match to the first mill?

Sen. Holmberg: No.

Chairman Delzer: Was the State Aid Distribution Fund going from 72 to 77 ever discussed?

Sen. Holmberg: No.

Chuck Bosch, Project Director for Mandan Golden Age Services: I am testifying in support of SB 2267. I wrestle with the \$18,600+ in raw food cost increases. These are increasing dramatically. Vendors say to expect between a 17%-35% increase. The extra \$18,000 paid out with reserves last year is gone. We do not know what we are going to do. It is like changing oil in a car. If you do not, it will cost more in the long run. We have really got a problem. Supporting people in nursing homes will cost more. Our total budget is \$570,000 a year. We pay \$8,000 a year to Bismarck Transportation. Our split between congregate and home-delivered meals is one third, two thirds. One third are home-delivered. We are currently at two mills. We just cannot raise the money.

Edith Fjelstad, Silver Haired Assembly, testified in support of SB 2267. In six towns, 60 meals are delivered daily five days a week by three couples.

Ray Siver, President of the Greater Grand Forks senior Citizens Association, and member of Silver Haired Assembly, testified in support of SB 2267, stressing the impact of inadequate funding of community-based senior programs (see two-page handout).

Chairman Delzer: I had Legislative Council research money generated by mills. We should have kept matching to the first mill and not on the second mill. We just have to deal with this. This is not to undermine your program's benefits.

Shirley Schlafman, Mercer and McLean Counties Meals On Wheels, testified in support of SB 2267 encouraging Do Pass on \$3 million (see one-page 2004 General Taxes handout).

Otto Raszler: I am a retired farmer and deliver meals on wheels. I donated my miles when I realized how short-funded Meals On Wheels is. Many folks do not have insurance to cover. I support a Do Pass on SB 2267 at \$3 million, if possible. It will not go far.

Chairman Delzer: What reimbursement did you get before?

Raszler: 31 cents a mile.

Erica Cermak, Executive Director of the North Dakota Senior Service Providers, introduced herself in support of SB 2267 and provide written testimony (see four-page handout). (*Tape 1 Side B starts*)

Ervin Jose, Wilton, Chairman of the Northern McLean County _____ Foundation, testified in support of SB 2267. With constant fundraisers, they still cannot catch up.

Chairman Delzer: Ervin, how much goes to McLean and Mercer is for transportation?

Linda Wright, Director of Aging Services for the Department of Human Services: You mean which programs are funded for transportation? We can provide that through the Older Americans Act.

Rep. Metcalf: Otto, did you ever deliver into the country?

Raszler: Round-trip miles varied depending on the city. There was one lady who lived one mile out of town that we delivered to.

Chairman Delzer: In the Underwood area, if it was close to the highway, they delivered. Otherwise it was dropped off at Garrison and then someone else had to deliver from there.

Schlafman commented on the situation.

Dave Braaten, with AARP, testified in support of any increase in SB 2267.

Chairman Delzer: Any opposing testimony? Neutral? Linda, was there ever an OAR?

Wright: No. I am here to provide information on the Senior Citizens Mill Levy / Mill Levy Match Program (see seven-page handout). Attachment A is on Senior Services: Mill Levy Matching Funds; Attachment B shows county assessment value and mills for senior citizens in tax year 2003; Attachment C shows mill levies remaining current for tax year 2004; Attachment D shows mill levies current and an allocation of \$500,000 for biennium in tax year 2004.

Chairman Delzer: Have you asked counties why they are at their mill level?

Wright: No. We are basically a pass-through agency for those local funds.

Bosch: The county commissioners make those decisions. It is state law to set levels.

Chairman Delzer: It is set at two mills.

Bosch: Why Oliver county is so low, I do not know.

Larry Leonard, Jr., Rolette County Senior Services: The situation is the same for us as it is for previous speakers. The counties are allowed some adjustment. We are at one mill.

Chairman Delzer: Have they put in on the ballot to go to two mill?

Leonard: No. The mill in Rolette is really 1.2.

Chairman Delzer: If Grand Forks and Cass counties jumped to two mills, it would have a massive impact on small counties.

Rep. Metcalf: Linda, with the \$500,000 increase in General Funds, does that leverage additional federal funds?

Wright: We are accessing every federal dollar available through the Older Americans Act. I do have a statewide breakdown of what percentage of the programs are funded by the federal funds versus local funds versus the contributions by the providers. The difference in the federal funds from 2004 to 2005, for the whole state, was \$799.

Chairman Delzer: We would like a copy of that. We also would like a list of counties who passed a second mill, and how many have had a ballot issue that has been denied.

Wright: We will try to get that information.

Chairman Delzer: The hearing on SB 2267 is closed. We will stand in recess until 3:30.

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267
Senior Citizens Services Legislative Intent

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

Hearing Date: 3-7-05 Monday p.m.

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
I	X	X	4.2 - 12.0
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Deanne M. O'Leary</i>			

Minutes: **Chairman Delzer** called the meeting to order on SB 2267 asking for any strong ideas on how to fix it.

Vice Chair Pollert: Any chance the counties over one mill would be sucking up?

Chairman Delzer: No, it would go out on a percentage basis and get matched the same percentage. Some counties, though, have put the second mill on.

Vice Chair Pollert: A 1.2 mill will get more?

Chairman Delzer: Yes, it depends upon the county size. One problem is when we allowed the second mill, we should have capped it after the first mill. Could say we are only going to match on the first mill. If Burleigh and Cass go with two mills, they will take all the money.

Rep. Metcalf: If we added the \$500,000 and limited to the first mill?

Chairman Delzer: We have not asked or received numbers yet. We can ask Linda to get that down to us. I would try to get out of the appropriation system and put it in State Aid Distribution. It would be raising the State Aid distribution fund enough to cover one mill. It would be turning

everything over to the counties and the authority would be taken from the Health Department and away from the Legislature.

Rep. Kerzman: I would support this. It is home and community-based. It will help keep people in their homes.

Chairman Delzer: I had some people say how they thought the management was poor. Sen. Andrist was strong on the language about putting the money toward the Meals-and-Wheels first. The other area is senior busing. I talked to Legislative Council on this.

Vice Chair Pollert asked about getting figures for just the one mill, too.

Chairman Delzer: Diane, stop the tape and call Linda Wright.

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267
Senior Citizens Programs Appropriation

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

Hearing Date: 3-17-05 Thursday p.m.

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
II		X	22.3 - 35.5
II		X	43.3 - 45.2
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Diane M. Overley</i>			

Minutes: **Chairman Delzer** called the meeting to order on SB 2267. There are a number of options that can be done. First, keep them at 52 cents and there would be a cut of \$211,000. Second, take the \$500,000 out of the State Aid Distribution Fund. Third, take \$40,000 or \$50,000 and divvy out to the counties that are doing two mills. Fourth, add to the State Aid Distribution the one mill and put language in that matches. Take it out of the Department of Human Services and give it to the counties and get it out of the Legislative arena. He is not in favor of this. There are a couple of other options. There needs to be a hard talk about doing something to promote counties going to the vote of the people. Somebody in Southwest went to set a sliding fee scale. The department said it could not be done, but maybe it can. Allen (LC) is still getting numbers for **Chairman Delzer**.

Rep. Wieland: If we do not add enough dollars in, with the large counties there may not be any money left for small counties. I would like to see counties who want to match, be able to add the match. If they want to match on a 1-to-2 basis, they can do that.

Chairman Delzer: Whatever we do now, though, and if it went to State Aid Distribution, there is nothing to say the Legislature could not get it back.

Rep. Kerzman: I have a problem with this. We will be setting up for a dogfight with the counties.

Chairman Delzer: No doubt about it. One idea was going on top of the 4/10s and out of General Fund next time.

Rep. Kerzman: If we properly supported Senior Citizens services, this would not be as tough.

Chairman Delzer: Food costs went up. Rep. Kerzman, would you check with Sen. Krauter on whether there is a sliding fee scale for any county. Maybe it is allowable.

Rep. Kerzman: Yes. How do you draw the line between poor and wealthy seniors?

Rep. Wieland: My mother participates in meals for seniors. In some areas they are charging. Some are freewill, but I have personally seen millionaires eat and drop in 50 cents or a \$1. That irritates me.

Chairman Delzer: One mill is about \$1.5 million.

Rep. Metcalf: I do like the 52 cents. It seems to come out fairly well. It does not leave anybody in the lurch this time.

Chairman Delzer: In the Department of Human Services budget, we have \$1,662,000. In order to cover one mill statewide per year, it would cost \$2.9 million and I do not think it would go through appropriations.

Vice Chair Pollert: Are you saying, Rep. Metcalf, that you would like to replace that half of million so it is distributed out?

Rep. Metcalf: The people who needed it and wanted it would be very happy with it. The people who have not stepped up to the plate to get more funds on their own, I do not know where they are going to stand. They know next time they are going to have to make some changes if they want to get some additional money.

Chairman Delzer: Stephanie (LC), see if there is language on the bottom of the second page to encourage the charging of meals. It was Linda, or someone else, who said if they charge, it has to be the same. We will take this up Tuesday morning. Anything else?

Another bill was discussed briefly, before returning to SB 2267 (*see Tape II Side B meter 43.3 - 45.2*). **Stephanie/LC** told **Chairman Delzer** that the Older Americans Act prohibits charging for meals. **Rep. Wieland** said that he knows his mother has to pay in advance for meals. There is no disgruntlement. When she takes the bus, they do not require her to pay. But she does, though.

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267
Senior Citizens Appropriation

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

Hearing Date: 3-25-05 Friday a.m.

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
I	X		26.7 - 53.3
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Diane M. Overley</i>			

Minutes: **Chairman Delzer** called the meeting to order on SB 2267 to consider proposed amendments (see one-page 58304.0204). It takes the mill levy match out of the Department of Human Services and puts it with the State Treasurer. It takes two-thirds of mill statewide and puts it in a different fund (see section 3). The money in this Senior Citizen Program Fund is then transferred to the counties. But they are required to match this with one-third out of the State Aid Distribution Fund or their general fund levy. The Legislature limits it to the first mill with dollar-to-dollar match to the program. Before it was based on what they raised.

Rep. Wieland: If most, but not all, counties matched that with county dollars, then Mercer County does not match.

Chairman Delzer: Right, nor be forced to do it. Cass County, Barnes and others levying above two are going to do well or relatively close. I could not support one mill without doing that (i.e. Taking money from smaller counties to help larger ones).

Rep. Kerzman: You are asking counties to pick up a larger portion because State Aid

Distribution gives money that becomes the county's anyway. The 1.33 is matching two-thirds with the one-and-one-third. I have a problem with that.

Rep. Metcalf: That one is by special mill.

Chairman Delzer: Whatever special mill they put on for Senior Citizens, up to one mill is going to be matched with one mill. But that one mill for matching is going to be two-thirds state and one-third from State Aid Distribution. I met with Mark Johnson. He said he met with the board and they would not try to change it, at least until next time. We need to lock one mill. The State cannot afford two mills. Also, this comes back every session.

Rep. Metcalf: It is nice refreshing my memory!

Chairman Delzer: This does remove it from the Department of Human Services and puts it with the Treasurer's Office with a continuing appropriation. Everything would be automatic.

Rep. Bellew: So the money that is not with the Department of Human Services would be transferred to the Treasurer?

Chairman Delzer: Right.

Rep. Kerzman expressed that nothing should be disguised from the public, rather be upfront.

Vice Chair Pollert: We will be in trouble with funds of \$.5 million, because it would go to the more populated counties. The rural counties will not get much of the \$500,000, right?

Chairman Delzer: Right. A third option is to remove the \$500,000 and put \$50,000 to the five counties proportionately and taxing at two mills. But that compounds the problem. We should ask the Department of Human Services if they have information on what 52 cents would do.

Further discussed the probable impact with the 2002 tax year. **Chairman Delzer** cannot support putting a mill on top as it would continue to increase because of changing tax valuations.

(Rep. Wieland left at 11:24)

Chairman Delzer: I doubt if bill will pass at \$500,000. I think the \$211,000 would. I have only dealt with the counties' lobbyists. I think State Aid Distribution is quarterly.

Rep. Kerzman: This looks like we are trying to disguise what we are doing.

Chairman Delzer: Do you have an easier way to say it?

Rep. Kerzman: I think we should just be upfront and say we are not going to match it.

Chairman Delzer: We could kill the bill.

Vice Chair Pollert: I cannot support the \$500,000. We need to look at the amendments or what Rep. Metcalf says about \$211,000. That seems to be more fair.

Chairman Delzer: What Rep. Kerzman and I are talking about is whether we want to match the seniors programs with the mill or the counties with one-third. I do not think we are hiding it. Some of the counties are unfair and it is uneven. At first I thought it should go to the State Aid Distribution Fund and let them dole it out. But I think this is better. We made a mistake before when we allowed two mills. We should have locked it in earlier.

Rep. Kerzman: This is a convoluted formula. If you want to put a couple hundred thousand in, I do not have any problem trying that. I had a problem when the counties went from 6/10ths down to 4/10ths several sessions ago. When I look at the needs, there are a lot. With the inflation factor, I do not know if we are really sending more out there.


Chairman Delzer: We will hold this bill until Monday, then decide.

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267
Senior Citizens Mill Levy

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

Hearing Date: 3-28-05 Monday p.m.

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
I		X	38.2
II	X		End: 7.6
II	X		12.1 - 32.0
Committee Clerk Signature 			

Minutes: **Chairman Delzer** called the meeting to order at 3:21 p.m. SB 2267 amendment number 58304.0204 was explained and discussed. The main idea behind it is to get the one mill out to the counties. It would be removed from the Department of Human Services and moved to the State Treasurer to divvy out the 140th sales tax through the State Aid Distribution Fund.

Rep. Metcalf raised several questions, including what the two-thirds will cost the county.

Chairman Delzer responded. It would be \$500,000 a year or \$1 million for biennium. They should not be taxed for Senior Meals.

Rep. Metcalf: If they do not use the one-third, do they have any part in the two-thirds?

Chairman Delzer: I do not know. (Tape II Side A starts) Don (LC), e-mail John Walstad to see if he can come down. We cannot send money to people who are not in the program.

Rep. Metcalf: They do not have to apply for the whole thing?

Chairman Delzer: I think it is up to the counties. They would have to come up with the one-third and implement the one mill. But I think be limited by law so it could not be spent on anything else.

Rep. Metcalf: There are several counties that are at or below the one mill and last year they got 52 cents on that mill and supposedly are paying for all of their expenses. If we give them a \$1 on that mill and they do not need it, is there some way the county can move it back?

Chairman Delzer: I do not think we have addressed that in the amendment. Probably should. I would like it, if they were levying on half, then they would have levy lower.

Rep. Bellew: What would become of the \$1.22 million in the Human Services bill?

Chairman Delzer: Under the amendment nothing, but it would have to come out of the Department of Human Services' budget.

Vice Chair Pollert: The mill levy match is \$1.662 million; with the appropriation, it could go to \$2 million, right?

Chairman Delzer: With this amendment. One mill statewide is roughly \$1.5 million. I do not have a problem of adjusting this so if someone receives less and can stay involved. We want to limit it to the one mill. We want to make sure the large counties coming on do not reduce other counties. I visited with Mark Johnson and only a couple counties called him.

Rep. Metcalf: I talked to Mark and he said he would be willing to try this for a biennium.

Rep. Wieland: I like the idea of getting it out of the Department of Human Services.

Chairman Delzer: Celeste (OMB), federal money goes out to these agencies, too, and this money is not used to match any federal money? There is required reporting and hopefully this

would take care of some of it. It would not matter to the Treasurer as long as they were taxing that one mill and giving the money to the Senior Citizens Program.

After Don/LC said John Walstad would come down shortly, the committee discussed another bill (*Tape II Side A meter reading 7.7 - 12.0*). They then returned to discussing SB 2267 when Walstad arrived.

Chairman Delzer: The way the amendment is drafted, it requires the county to be leveling a full one mill to receive any of this, or does it?

John Walstad, Code Revisor, Legislative Council: That is correct. The county has to do two things. One of them is levying a property tax of at least one mill, and they are limited to two mills. They have got to levy at least one mill to qualify for matching funds. Also in subdivision B, they have to allocate funds from city general, county general and State Aid Distribution funds from those sources equal to one-third of one mill the county would raise. And then two-thirds, of whatever that amount, is what be provided from this appropriation and whatever funding might be available.

Chairman Delzer: What we want to know is if only a half a mill is used below one mill, will the county receive the match? We want to make it so that their match never goes above one mill and anything below on mill they can have. Whatever it takes to cover it.

Walstad: Just knock out subdivision A. Or state some kind of minimum.

Chairman Delzer: We do not care what minimum they have. We want it so that we never match anything more than one mill.

Walstad: Subdivision B takes care of not matching more than a mill.

Chairman Delzer: In section 3, we are taking the two-thirds and adding it to the Senior Citizens Program Fund in the Treasurer's Office. But if they only needed half to match that, say .5, the State would send them .5 or two-thirds of .5?

Walstad: Two-thirds of one mill.

Chairman Delzer: We want it so it is two-thirds of whatever their levy is, up to one mill.

Walstad: So regardless of what they levy, they would get a match of two-thirds.

Chairman Delzer: Our other question: If two-thirds of one mill in fund is not entirely used up, what language is needed to send the excess money back to the General Fund? We need that.

Rep. Metcalf: Any requirement that two-thirds of that mill from the State to the county, so if the county says they have one and two-thirds, they would have to give that other one-third back.

Walstad: The way it is written now, they have to put up the one-third now to get that two-thirds match.

Chairman Delzer: Committee members, we want to keep that because we are trying to keep the one-to-one match for the senior mill levy.

Rep. Metcalf: If they could live within that amount and they know they can get another one-third from the county, I would like them to have that opportunity.

Chairman Delzer: So you think we should put out two-thirds, say we are matching at a mill, but then it is up to that county whether or not they come up with that other one-third?

Rep. Metcalf: Yes.

Chairman Delzer: What is that going to do to get that out of the legislative arena every two years?

Rep. Metcalf: They can never go above one mill unless they get the one mill from the county.

Chairman Delzer: Could that be written in?

Walstad: If they need two mills to operate, they need to levy one mill in property.

Chairman Delzer: We need language saying they cannot levy over one mill unless they are covering the one-third match to the State's two-thirds match.

Walstad: We would have to rewrite the levy maximization is one mill. Then they could look at going above one mill to a maximum of two mill on property. I think I can do that! And if they are not levying one mill, they only get two-thirds of whatever they are matching.

Chairman Delzer: They match nothing under a mill and two-thirds mill from State. To go above that, they have to match that one-third before they can raise the tax to the people. Committee members, do you want it rewritten for conference committee?

Rep. Kerzman: I will not support any of it.

Chairman Delzer: We are trying to give the seniors their bill if we can. It is not too burdensome to the county.

Vice Chair Pollert: I would like to see the amendment be done prior to the conference committee. Basically, a match from State at .667.

Chairman Delzer: Right. Can you tell us, John, if State Aid Distribution is put out quarterly?

Walstad: I think so. Susan Ritter cashes the checks.

Susan Ritter, Financial Administrator for Southwest Multi-County Correction Center:

Yes, I happen to be the bookkeeper for Renville County. I am happy to say it is getting out of the Department of Human Services. They add in a lot of extra work.

Chairman Delzer: Susan, you might not get away from federal requirement reporting work. Maybe for the State.

Ritter: Anything you are doing to shorten the paperwork is good. I took the job in 1991 temporarily and I am still doing it. No one wants to do all the paperwork.

Rep. Wieland: When the checks come from the State, they come to the auditor and it is all put in the General Fund? It is not in a special fund?

Ritter: The county that I was auditor for, the money came to the auditor and it was put into the Council of Aging Special Fund. Then it was dispersed to the treasurer of the Council of Aging and the Council dispersed it.

Celeste/OMB: Mr. Chairman, in answer to your previous question, putting money into the Treasurer's Fund is not a problem as long as the disperse amount is noted.

Meeting adjourned.

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267

Senior Citizens Mill Levy

House Appropriations Committee
Human Resources Division

Hearing Date: 3-29-05 Tuesday a.m.

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
I	X		9.5 - 18.9
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Debra M. Overley</i>			

Minutes: **Chairman Delzer** called the meeting to order on SB 2267 to review amendment 58304-0205. He reviewed the intent of both the bill and amendment.

Rep. Kerzman: Shouldn't the money go back to the equalization fund?

Chairman Delzer: No, the General Fund.

Rep. Bellew: The first two-thirds comes from the money from the State?

Chairman Delzer: Right. About \$2 million this biennium. It takes this away from the Department of Human Services. All the counties used is the amount for Title III Older Americans. Anyone getting these may still have to fill out explanations for where the federal money goes.

Rep. Bellew: Basically, we are adding \$337,000 more to the mill levy that is in 1012.

Chairman Delzer: The Seniors will be matched dollar-for-dollar for their first mill. And they will not be matched anything over that first mill. They hog-housed the whole bill. I think we should add section 2 back into the hog-house. It is not in the amendment.

Rep. Bellew: I would move amendment .0205 with the addition of section 2 of engrossed SB 2267.

Rep. Wieland: I second it.

Rep. Metcalf: I talked to two county lobbyists and asked if this is what they both wanted. They hesitated. It is a workable situation. Some counties will have less. I will put in a weak favorable vote.

Chairman Delzer: I had the same sort of conversation. They took it to the board and they voted to approve them. I explained why the lock on the mill will safeguard the smaller counties. We will take a voice vote. Motion carries 5-1.

Vice Chair Pollert: I move a Do Pass As Amended on SB 2267.

Rep. Wieland: I second it.

Chairman Delzer: Discussion? Committee members, this is not an easy situation, but I hope it is workable. I hope not to work with it every two years. The clerk will take the roll. Motion passes 5-1. I guess I better carry this bill!

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB2267
Senior Citizen's Program

House Appropriations Full Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date March 30, 2005

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1		X	#17.7 - #37.0
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Chris Alexander</i>			

Minutes:

Rep. Ken Svedjan, Chairman opened the discussion on SB2267.

Rep. Jeff Delzer moved to adopt amendment #0206 to SB2267.

Rep. Chet Pollert seconded

Rep. Jeff Delzer explained this bill adds money to the Senior Mill Levy match. This was introduced at \$3 million and the Senate changed it to \$500,000. The amendments hoghouse the bill and take the Senior Mill Levy Match Program away from the Department of Human Services and put it into a continuing appropriation in the State Treasurer's office that will match up to 1 mill in the counties. Section 3 of the amendment takes 2/3 of 1 mill out of the exize tax and the motor vehicle sales use tax and take it to the Treasurer's office and they will distribute this on top of the state aid distribution fund. Any counties that are currently taxing 1 mill or less will receive 2/3 of the 1 mill from this fund. If they want to go above the 1 mill then they will have to come up with 1/3 of 1 mill from the increase amount of the state aid distribution or from their general

mill levy. This will keep the Senior Mill Levy program a dollar for dollar match up to the first mill. There is currently \$1.662 million in the department of Human Services for this fund and we are matching counties at various levels since all counties have different mill levels. This is a problem and we need to specify that the match will only go to 1 mill to keep all counties receiving equal amounts.

Rep. James Kerzman commented the this committee should resists these amendments. This is a major policy change. This should stay within Human Services and the formula for this is very convoluted and will end up costing the counties more money in the end.

Rep. Jeff Delzer commented that the state aid distribution is increasing enough to cover this and still take care of the counties. This is an attempt to cover the Senior Mill Levy without having to look at it every two years.

Rep. James Kerzman commented that this state aid distribution will come to the counties regardless of this. This is money that the counties would have to spend out of the aid.

Rep. Francis J. Wald asked if a Means Test is necessary to qualify for this

Rep. Jeff Delzer answered that there was no qualification for this. This is tied to the Older Americans Act with Title 3 moneys and the federal government says that they can not charge any set amount for these meals and they cannot turn anyone away..

Rep. Francis J. Wald asked if what moneys would be generated from the exize tax part of this over a biennium

Rep. Jeff Delzer explained 2/3 of 1 mill statewide which is approximately \$2 million as of now. This will escalate as property taxes rise. If the county does not use these moneys it would roll

back into the general fund. We would need to take the \$1.662 million from the Human Services budget if this bill passes.

Rep. Ole Aarsvold commented that it not always a question of means, but of capacity and physical ability.

Rep. Francis J. Wald explained that he did not believe it was right that people with the resources to hire folks to help them get their meals were taking advantage of these programs.

Rep. Alon C. Wieland commented that people who have the means can contribute to the program.

Rep. Ken Svedjan, Chairman commented that he sees 2 advantages to this amendment. One is that this finally establishes that the match is up to the first mill. A second advantage is that this builds in protection for the smaller counties in the event that a larger county decides to up its mill rate. Rep Svedjan called for a voice vote on the motion to adopt amendment #0206 to SB2267. Motion carried.

Rep. Jeff Delzer moved a Do Pass As Amended motion to SB2267.

Rep. Chet Pollert seconded

Rep. Al Carlson commented that the reality of this is that most of the people live in the bigger counties and are we restricting these counties from receiving the programming they need for these additional people. (meter Tape #1, side B, #29.9)

Rep. Jeff Delzer answered that this makes the senior mill levy match one to one all over.

Rep. Mike Timm, Vice Chairman asked how many counties were cut back with the cap being set at 1 mill.

Rep. Jeff Delzer answered that counties receive everything that they were receiving previously but some counties would be receiving more in the future if this bill does not pass.

Rep. Ralph Metcalf explained that a Senior Center Director in Cass County explained that taking the match beyond the 1 mill would put an undo burden on the smaller counties and the larger counties did not want this to happen.

Rep. Al Carlson commented that the fiscal effect of this is a \$400,000 increase to the program that is not in the Governor's budget

Rep. Jeff Delzer answered that the budget status at cross over included \$500,000 for this program, so really this decreases the amount accounted for in the budget status by \$100,000.

Rep. Joe Kroeber asked if the sponsors of this bill gave any testimony on this hoghouse.

Rep. Jeff Delzer answered that Sen. Eberle seemed positive to this.

Rep. Ken Svedjan, Chairman called for a roll call vote on the Do Pass As Amended motion for SB2267. Motion carried with a vote of 17 yeas, 6 neas and 0 absences. Rep Delzer will carry the bill to the house floor.

Rep. Ken Svedjan, Chairman closed the discussion on SB2267.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2267

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act to create and enact section 57-39.2-26.2 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to allocation of sales, use, and motor vehicle excise tax revenues to a state matching program for senior citizen services and programs; to amend and reenact subsection 5 of section 57-15-56 and section 57-39.2-26 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to a state matching program for senior citizen services and programs; to provide a continuing appropriation; and to provide an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. AMENDMENT. Subsection 5 of section 57-15-56 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

5. The ~~department of human services~~ state treasurer shall provide matching funds as provided in this subsection for the amounts levied by counties and cities for senior citizen services and programs operated pursuant to funded as required by this section. The grants must be made on or before March first of each year and must be equal to the amount levied for the previous taxable year by each county or city within the limitations of legislative appropriations, provided that no such to each eligible county. A county receiving a grant under this section which has not levied a tax under this section shall transfer the amount received to a city within the county which has levied a tax under this section. A grant may not be made to any county or city which has not filed with the department of human services state treasurer a required written report verifying that grant funds received in the previous year under this subsection have been budgeted for the same purposes permitted for the expenditure of proceeds of a tax levied under this section. The written report must be received by the department of human services state treasurer on or before February first of each year following a year in which the reporting county or city received grant funds under this subsection. A matching fund grant shall be provided to each eligible county equal to the amount that would be generated by a levy of one mill on the taxable valuation of all property in the county subject to a levy under this section for the taxable year. Two-thirds of this matching grant must come from the senior citizen services and programs fund and one-third must come from funds available to the county as provided in subdivision b.

A county is not eligible for a matching fund grant under this subsection unless:

- a. The county or a city within the county levying a tax under this section has levied a tax of at least one mill under this section for the taxable year; and
- b. The county or a city within the county levying a tax under this section has allocated from its funds to be raised or received under section 57-15-06, 57-15-08, or 57-39.2-26.1, or any combination of those fund sources, an amount for senior citizen services and programs which is at least equal to the revenue that would be generated by a levy of one-third of one mill on the taxable valuation of all property in the county subject to a levy under this section for the taxable year.

SECTION 2. AMENDMENT. Section 57-39.2-26 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

57-39.2-26. Allocation of revenue. ~~All~~ Except as provided by sections 57-39-26.1 and 57-39.2-26.2, all moneys collected and received under this chapter must be paid into the state treasury and must be credited by the state treasurer to the general fund. Moneys deposited with the commissioner as security for the payment of tax, penalties, or costs due must be deposited and accounted for as provided in subsection 3 of section 57-39.2-12.

SECTION 3. Section 57-39.2-26.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

57-39.2-26.2. Allocation of revenues to senior citizen services and programs matching fund - Continuing appropriation. Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a portion of sales, use, and motor vehicle excise tax collections equal to the amount of revenue that would have been generated by a levy of two-thirds of one mill on the taxable valuation of all property in the state subject to a levy under section 57-15-56 in the previous taxable year must be deposited by the state treasurer in the senior citizen services and programs fund during the period from July first through December thirty-first of each year. The state tax commissioner shall certify to the state treasurer the portion of sales, use, and motor vehicle excise tax revenues which must be deposited in the fund as determined under this section. Revenues deposited in the senior citizen services and programs fund are provided as a standing and continuing appropriation for allocation as provided in subsection 5 of section 57-15-56.

SECTION 4. EFFECTIVE DATE. This Act is effective for tax collections received after June 30, 2005."

Renumber accordingly

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Renumber accordingly

Date: 3/29/05 Tues.
Roll Call Vote #: ①

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267

House Appropriations - Human Resources Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number (58304.02 05)

Action Taken Do Pass As Amended

Motion Made By Rep. Pollert Seconded By Rep. Wieland

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Jeff Delzer	✓		Rep. James Kerzman		✓
Vice Chairman Chet Pollert	✓		Rep. Ralph Metcalf	✓	
Rep. Larry Bellew	✓				
Rep. Alon C. Wieland	✓				

Total (Yes) 5 No 1

Absent _____

Floor Assignment Rep. Delzer

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Date: March 30, 2005
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2005 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB2267

House Appropriations - Full Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 58304.0206

Action Taken DO PASS AS AMENDED

Motion Made By Rep Delzer Seconded By Rep Pollert

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Rep. Ken Svedjan, Chairman	X		Rep. Bob Skarphol	X	
Rep. Mike Timm, Vice Chairman	X		Rep. David Monson	X	
Rep. Bob Martinson	X		Rep. Eliot Glassheim		X
Rep. Tom Brusegaard	X		Rep. Jeff Delzer	X	
Rep. Earl Rennerfeldt	X		Rep. Chet Pollert	X	
Rep. Francis J. Wald	X		Rep. Larry Bellew	X	
Rep. Ole Aarsvold		X	Rep. Alon C. Wieland	X	
Rep. Pam Gulleeson		X	Rep. James Kerzman		X
Rep. Ron Carlisle	X		Rep. Ralph Metcalf	X	
Rep. Keith Kempenich	X				
Rep. Blair Thoreson	X				
Rep. Joe Kroeber		X			
Rep. Clark Williams		X			
Rep. Al Carlson	X				

Total Yes 17 No 6

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Rep Delzer

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2267, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Svedjan, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (17 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2267 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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2005 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

SB 2267


2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2267

Senate Appropriations Committee

☒ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 04-08-05

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Minutes: **Sen. Schobinger, (Conference Committee Chair)** opened the hearing on SB 2267.

Sen. Schobinger: Could we either have the House or John Walstad walk us through the House changes.

John Walstad, Legislative Council gave a quick overview of the bill, the first engrossment with the House amendments, mentioning section 1 and that it makes a change in the responsible agency for administration. Mr. Walstad went through each section, discussing the changes. He also spoke regarding mill levy grant.

Sen. Holmberg: Regarding counties that are levied for programs, what happens if county x says there are going to lose money. Might it be because at the present time they have a two mill levy?

Mr. Walstad: Yes, that is exactly what is happening. Under current law that match that is provided by the State is up to two mills of levy. Now that match that is provided is only up two one mill.

Rep. Delzer: I can go through and explain why we did this, but I think we should let Mr.

Walstad finish talking about section 3.

Mr. Waltstad spoke regarding section 2, stating that it is a reference to what happens to sales tax revenues. Section 3, carves out a portion of sales use in motor vehicle excise tax collections equal to the amount of revenue that would have been generated by a levy $\frac{2}{3}$ of one mill.

Rep. Delzer: Regarding section 4, the legislative intent. The reason we left that in is because of the Older American Act and the dollars available. We are trying to figure out a way for a \$1 to \$1 match for senior citizens. Regarding the discussion of the $\frac{2}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{3}$, I mean taking out $\frac{1}{3}$ from the state aid distribution fund. Lets not mess with the 140th. That would leave more money for senior citizens programs and it will protect them in the future if a bigger county were to come in there.

Chairman Holmberg: A fear that we had, if that if lets say that Cass County went to two mills, the would suck up all the money.

Rep. Delzer: We did the math, most were at 1.662, they gain money. The ones that are at 2 will loose money.

Sen. Tallackson: What is the resigning for not having a 100% match?

Rep. Delzer: Money.

Sen. Tallackson: So then you decided on the $\frac{1}{3}$?

Rep. Delzer: The $\frac{1}{3}$ from the House takes money from the State aid distribution fund. We only match at the fist mill, but they can go to two mills they will just not get the match.

Sen. Tallackson: What about the food distribution at the County Level, is that in here?

Rep. Delzer Some of this goes to the meals on wheels and community centers.


2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

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Senate Appropriations Committee

☒ Conference Committee

Hearing Date **04-12-05**

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Minutes: **Sen. Schobinger (Conference Committee Chair)** opened the hearing on SB 2267.

Sen. Schobinger: We have some new information. Could Scott give us an overview?

Scott: In the handout I just passed around regarding scenario 11, appendix I.

Scott went on to explain the handout, going through each of the columns and explaining why the dollar amounts are the way they are.

Sen. Holmberg: If I was looking at Adams county, the difference between E and F. E is $\frac{2}{3}$ of 1 mill and if the county is above 1 mill the county would have the \$2298.00. If they did that what happens?

Scott: The funds available to Adams county in column E would be the sum of the county levy which is D, E.

Rep. Delzer: Column H is the way it is currently, Column G is what it would be if the bill were passed.

The service providers are afraid that the counties may not be able to come up with the match.

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Rep. Delzer: The state would be at 100% on scenario 12 in column E right?

Sen. Schobinger: Under scenario 12 the State would have to come up with another \$500,000/
year.

Rep. Delzer: Well we have to go back and discuss some issues.

Sen. Schobinger adjourned the meeting.

2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2267

Senate Appropriations Committee

☒ Conference Committee

Hearing Date April 18, 2005

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Minutes:

Senator Christmann called the conference committee to order on S 2267 with roll call.

Representative Delzer distributed two proposed amendments 0209 and 0210. He indicated there was some consternation in the audience, senior groups and counties about the requirement in the bill the way it came from the house for the counties to match 1/3. The two amendments do the same thing, both amendments give 2/3 of the first mill with the intent that the other 1/3 is supposed to come from the state aid to distribution fund or their general fund allocations and allows them to go up to the second mill if so desired. .0210 does the same thing with the only difference for the next two years in .0210 if there was any excess money that went into this senior fund, that did not go out, it would go directly back to the general fund. It allows for the next two years, for the counties at 2 mills now, if their county did not match the third, it would allow it to try to make it up for two years and then it is dead language.

Senator Tallackson asked if this will contain a continuance appropriation.

Representative Delzer stated yes. The Department of Human Services does have to have reports on what this money is being used for. The State Treasurer also has to have reports on the mill levy and what the mill levy is being used for.

Senator Holmberg indicated it was his understanding that the changes you made in the house were in the bill we sent over. We just added the money because it does get a steady stream of income for that program and they don't have to keep coming back to the Legislature. It would appear that .0210 which is kind of a hold harmless which is a positive step.

Representative Delzer indicated that when we talk about the money currently there is \$1.662 in HB 1012. The way the bill sits before us it is slightly over \$2 million that is going into this fund. It is in the budget stabilization numbers already. So if we pass either one of these we are going to have to remove the \$1.662 out of HB 1012.

Senator Holmberg moved that the House recede from its amendments as printed on HB 2267 and that .0210 be added in its place. Senator Tallackson seconded. Discussion followed, Senator Tallackson clarified the counties being held harmless. Representative Delzer indicated John Walstad wrote the amendment and the amendment is only for two years and then it is dead language. A roll call vote was taken resulting in 6 yes votes. Motion carried.

Senator Christmann closed the Conference Committee meeting.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2267

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1276 and 1277 of the Senate Journal and pages 1440 and 1441 of the House Journal and that Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2267 be amended as follows:

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

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Engrossed SB 2267 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

2005 TESTIMONY

SB 2267

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SENATE BILL 2267
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE
SENATOR HOLMBERG, CHAIRMAN
JANUARY 25, 2005

Chairman Holmberg and members of the Senate Appropriations Committee, I am Linda Wright, Director of the Aging Services Division, Department of Human Services. I appear before you today to provide information regarding the Senior Citizens Mill Levy/Mill Levy Match Program.

The Senior Citizens Mill Levy was enacted in 1971 and is included in Section 57-15-56 of the North Dakota Century Code. The state law currently allows counties or cities to authorize up to 2 mills for the purpose of supporting programs and services for older persons. In addition, the law requires the Department of Human Services to provide matching funds for the amounts levied by counties and cities. The match is based on the availability of funds appropriated by the Legislature. The original intent of the Mill Levy Match was to provide a dollar for dollar match of the county or city levy. This was achieved only in the first year of the matching program. Please refer to the attached fact sheet for additional information.

In the current biennium, the mill levy match budget totals \$1,662,945. The same amount is included in the Department of Human Services budget for the 2005-2007 biennium. This equates to a match of 52.8 cents on the dollar. The attachment entitled "County Assessment Value and Mill for Senior Citizens Tax Year 2003" details the dollar value of the mill levy, by county and city, and the amount of matching funds distributed to each. Mill Levy Match funds are distributed once a year by the Department.

In order to qualify to receive mill levy funding at the local level, certain requirements need to be met. The recipient agency needs to be incorporated as a not for profit in North Dakota, have a contract with the taxing authority (or their contracting authority), and have filed an annual report of services and expenses generated from the mill levy.

In Fiscal Year 2003, Mill Levy Matching funds assisted with the purchase of 510,596 home delivered meals, 853,254 congregate meals, 134,459 transportation services, 145,007 health services, 139,738 outreach services and 10,028 chore services. In addition to helping fund services for older persons, the mill levy match dollars are also used as matching funds for the Older Americans Act federal funds.

The Aging Services Division is responsible for administration and disbursement of the senior citizen's mill levy match funds. The Regional Aging Services Program Administrator at each of the Regional Human Services Centers is responsible for providing technical assistance to county or city auditors, commissioners, or the contracted agency and to perform program audits as needed.

The Senior Citizen's Mill Levy/Mill Levy Match funds play a very important role in providing services for older persons which allow them to remain in their own homes and communities, in the least restrictive environment, for as long as possible.

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.

Fact Sheet

Senior Services: Mill Levy Matching Funds

N.D. Department of Human Services, Aging Services Division

MARCH 2004

Purpose:

The Mill Levy Match Program is intended to defray expenses of local programs and services for senior citizens in North Dakota. It matches local funding with state general funds in order to provide services such as home-delivered meals, meals at senior meal sites, transportation, and health screenings utilized by senior citizens.

The North Dakota Department of Human Services' Aging Services Division distributes the state funds.

Background:

The Senior Citizens Mill Levy and Mill Levy Match Program were enacted in the 1970s by the North Dakota Legislature (NDCC 57-15-56). Counties or cities are allowed to authorize up to a two mill levy for the purpose of senior citizen programs. A mill equals 1/1000 of a cent. Every \$10 in assessed property value generates one cent. In 2003, the assessed property value of the state of North Dakota was \$1.43 billion, which generated \$1.57 million in county levied taxes. The state matches the local assessments with general funds. In 2003, the match was 52.8 cents on the dollar, or \$831,472.

The Mill Levy Match Program was evaluated under a study resolution approved by the 2001 North Dakota Legislature. Counties are interested in the mill levy match because of the aging population and the challenge of delivering services in rural areas.

North Dakota Senior Info Line



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Current Status:

- In March 2004, the North Dakota Department of Human Services distributed \$831,472 in mill levy matching funds to 51 local governments for senior citizen programs and services.
- During the federal fiscal year that ended September 30, 2003, mill levy matching funds assisted with the purchase of 516,599 home-delivered meals and 852,026 congregate meals, which were served at senior meal sites. The meals, along with transportation services and health screenings, help sustain older North Dakotans in their homes and communities.

Distribution of matching funds:

State Planning Regions	Dollars	Percent of Total
Williston Region I	\$34,087.35	4.0%
Minot Region II	\$100,870.48	12.1%
Devils Lake Region III	\$52,506.96	6.3%
Grand Forks Region IV	\$102,652.83	12.3%
Fargo Region V	\$215,724.74	26.0%
Jamestown Region VI	\$113,978.88	14.0%
Bismarck Region VII	\$160,713.06	19.3%
Dickinson Region VIII	\$50,938.20	6.0%
TOTAL	\$831,472.50	100%

Future Concerns:

In addition to helping fund services for seniors, the state matching funds provided through the mill levy match program are also used to meet federal match requirements. For example, the federal Older Americans Act (OAA) provides 85 percent of the cost of OAA services, and local entities must pay the remaining 15 percent.

Prepared March 2004 by the N.D. Dept. of Human Services, Aging Services Division, 600 E Boulevard, Bismarck, ND 58505-0250, (701)328-4601



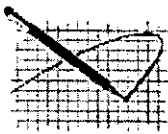
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Here is the data you requested aft our meeting today.

Tax Year on the dollar)	Assessed valuation	County Levy	Matched funds	Matched rate (cents
2003	\$1,432,918,720.00	\$1,573,229.00	\$831,472.50	\$.5285
2002	\$1,391,780,132.00	\$1,538,141.00	\$831,472.50	\$.5406
2001	\$1,317,793,749.00	\$1,538,704.00	\$831,472.50	\$.5404
2000	\$1,250,206,680.00	\$1,461,289.00	\$631,472.50	\$.4321

Matching funds were distributed by March 1 of the following year.



Fact Sheet - Mill Levy Match - March 2004.

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**Testimony Before The
Senate Appropriations Committee
January 25, 2005**

Chairman Holmberg and members of the Appropriations Committee, my name is Carol Wright. I am here representing the North Dakota Senior Service Providers in support of Senate Bill 2267. Twenty-seven non-profit agencies that provide services to senior citizens throughout the State of North Dakota are represented in the ND Senior Service Providers organization. Senate Bill 2267 contains an appropriation for the Senior Mill Levy Match Program. The Senior Mill Levy Match was established by the North Dakota Legislature in 1971 to provide funding for services for senior citizens. The 1991 Legislative Assembly amended the Senior Mill Levy Match Program restricting the types of expenses that mill levy funds can be spent on to services designed to assist senior citizens in maintaining their independence. These services include home delivered meals, congregate dining, transportation, outreach assistance and health related services.

The appropriation for the Senior Mill Levy Match in 1985 was \$1,680,000, and it has not ever exceeded that amount. The appropriation for the current biennium is \$1,662,945 (less money than what was appropriated 20 years ago) which amounts to a match of 52.8 cents for every dollar levied locally. Our request of the 2005 Legislative Assembly and of the Senate Appropriations Committee is to restore the Senior Mill Levy Match program to its original dollar for dollar match of what is levied at the local level. We estimate the amount of funding needed to meet this request to be \$3 million. We are making this request because of the significant increase in the need for services for people age 60 and older and because of the on-going need for more in-home services in our state.

The budget submitted to the North Dakota Legislature by Governor John Hoeven includes an appropriation of \$1,662,945 for the Senior Mill Levy Match Program in the 2005-2007 biennium -- the same amount as appropriated in the current biennium. His budget also includes an **increase** in funding for nursing homes of \$30.3 million, an **increase** in funding for Basic Care facilities of \$4.4 million, and an **increase** in funding for Home and Community Based Care of \$7.8 million over the current biennium. While we are certainly supportive of the increases contained in the governor's budget for each of these programs, the Senior Mill Levy

Match Program needs to be increased for the same reason that funding for these other programs is being increased. If the need to increase these other budgets is recognized, why is the same recognition not given to the in-home services provided by the senior service providers? We are receiving less funding in the current biennium than was allocated for these same services in 1985, while at the same time the needs of our senior population continue to increase.

By the year 2020, it is projected that the number of ND residents 65 years of age and older will have grown by more than 55,000 and they will represent nearly one-fourth of the state's population. The trend, both nationally and in North Dakota, is increased consumer demand for in-home services and decreased reliance on institutional care. As a result of North Dakota's increasing aging population and the corresponding increase in demand for our services, the numbers of services we provide also continue to increase.

- In Federal Fiscal Year 2004, 25,397 older persons in North Dakota received Older Americans Act funded services which include home delivered meals, congregate meals, outreach, health maintenance, transportation services, national family caregiver program services, legal assistance, in-home safety, and senior companion services.
- In FFY 2003, Mill Levy Matching funds assisted with the purchase of 510,596 home delivered meals; 853,2⁵⁴~~74~~ congregate meals; 134,459 transportation services; 145,007 health services; and 139,738 outreach services.

I am Director of Senior Services for Stutsman, Wells, and Sheridan Counties. In 2004, my agency exceeded its contract with Aging Services for the provision of Home Delivered Meals by providing an additional 4,771 meals. We received no Federal, State or local funding for these additional meals. The provision of these additional meals amounted to a cost of \$31,011.50 for our agency. The only reimbursement we received was the money individuals donated for the service. The suggested donation per meal is \$3.00. Most of the people we serve are unable to donate anywhere close to the full suggested donation. The Older Americans Act requires that meals be provided at a suggested donation, and no one can be refused a service because of an inability or an unwillingness to pay the suggested donation. The people who are served by the "Meals on Wheels" program are our most vulnerable, and many times they are the participants

least able to contribute for the meal they receive. These people are also the most frail and most likely to require nursing home services if these meals were not provided for them.

The Task Force on Long-Term Care Planning, the Graying of North Dakota Coalition, the Silver Haired Assembly and the Statehouse Conference on Aging have all gone on record in support of the Senior Mill Levy Match Program as being an "integral part of the continuum of long term care services." The Task Force on Long-Term Care Planning issued its report in September 2000 stating, (we) "recognize the importance of this (Mill Levy Match) funding source in the overall provision of services to the senior citizens of our state and recommend the Legislature restore the Senior Mill Levy Match to a dollar-for-dollar match as included in the original appropriation." The report also notes that "many older residents of small towns throughout the state rely on services funded through the use of Mill Levy dollars as one of the few alternatives to institutional care."

Many of our State's residents rely on agencies who receive Mill Levy Match dollars for meals, transportation, outreach, health maintenance, Senior Companions, and other related in-home services in order to remain in their own homes. Many of the people who are able to return to their homes after short stays in nursing homes need services from these same providers to help them to come back to their own homes. It has repeatedly been demonstrated that providing services to people in their own homes is more **cost effective** for the State and more **desirable** from the standpoint of the person receiving services. Without adequate funding, the Senior Service Providers in our state will be unable to meet the need for Meals on Wheels; congregate dining; transportation; outreach assistance; health maintenance such as foot clinics, blood pressure checks, and flu shot clinics.

Here are some recent cuts in Senior Service Provider programs throughout the State:

- Devils Lake Senior Meals and Services has been forced to begin a waiting list for persons wanting Home Delivered Meals.
- James River Senior Citizens has eliminated 1 full-time office position; reduced staffing from 2 full-time Outreach Workers to 2 half-time positions; reduced all other full-time positions from 40 hours/week to 35; and due to the 4,771 additional home delivered meals, we are considering capping the number of people who can receive Meals on Wheels at any given time.

- South Central Adult Services headquartered in Valley City cut a ¾-time Outreach Worker and a full-time Site Manager position.
- Grand Forks Senior Citizens eliminated 1 full-time Outreach Worker; closed 1 meal site at the end of 2003 and are looking to close 2 more in 2005.
- Fargo Senior Services cut meal site staff at a number of meal sites throughout the Region. They have switched several positions to the Department of Labor Senior Worker Program.
- Tri County Senior Meals and Services in Rugby has reduced hours for all staff; reduced mileage funds for Outreach; may need to reduce the number of days per week for meals.
- Kidder Emmons Senior Services reduced their Outreach department from 5 days per week to 4.
- Mercer McLean Counties Commission on Aging is considering staff cuts.
- Souris Basin Transportation headquartered in Minot (serving 7 counties) cut one transportation route; cut two drivers down to one day/week; cut their mechanic to ½ time; extended their preventative maintenance program from every 2,500 miles to every 4,000 miles.
- Mandan Golden Age Services cut nurses hours in 2004 and may reduce the hours further in 2005; looking at ways to cut hours of other staff.
- Elder Care located in Dickinson has limited the number of Home Delivered Meals due to funding limitations.
- Many centers reported losing good staff in their meal programs due to better pay for the exact same job at local nursing homes.

We need your help in funding the State Mill Levy Match program at the dollar-for-dollar level. The State gets a bargain for its buck by keeping people in their own homes by supporting in-home senior services.

Thank you for your time. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have.

Testimony Before The
Senate Appropriations Committee
January 25, 2005

Chairman Holmberg and members of the Committee, my name is Ray Siver. I am here as the incoming President of the Greater Grand Forks Senior Citizens Association and as a member of the Silver Haired Assembly. I am here today to convey my most enthusiastic support for SB 2267 that will provide 3 million dollars of matching funds for services and programs for Senior Citizens designed to maintain their independence. These services include home delivered and congregate meals, transportation, outreach assistance, and health related services.

Twenty years ago the appropriation for the Senior Mill Match was \$ 1,680,000 - more than it is now. The appropriation has never been larger than what it was 20 years ago. The appropriation for the current biennium is \$1,662,945 which amounts to a match of about 52.8 cents for every dollar levied locally for 2003. The 2004 numbers are not yet compiled, but with assessed valuation of property increasing and the appropriation being flat - it is expected by the time the distributions are made for calendar year 2005 that the match will be less than 50%.

The impact of inadequate funding of Community based Senior Programs is being felt now. Some examples are as follows:

Devils Lake is using a waiting list for meals, since there are not enough funds to provide meals for all who need them.

- Outreach worker positions have been cut in Grand Forks, Jamestown and Valley City and Outreach workers hours have been cut in Kidder-Emmons Counties, and Tri County Services in Rugby.

- all staff at Tri County Senior Services in Rugby (serving three counties) have had their hours cut

- a meal site has been closed in Grand Forks and we are looking to close 2 more meal sites in 2005.

These are just a few of the examples of the difficulties faced by agencies providing services to our older North Dakota generation. Senior agencies provided services to more than 25,000 older persons in this state during Federal Fiscal Year 2004. The demand and need for these services are there - what is lacking is the funding to provide these most essential and basic of services.

Again we ask for your YES vote on SB 2267. Thank You.

Scenario 1

If counties increased to 2 mills each and no increase added to State Match
assumes all counties increase levies to 2 mills using 2003 taxable valuations

COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS TAX YEAR 2003

COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	CHECK AMOUNT
ADAMS	\$6,987,957.00	0.2000%	\$13,975.91	\$4,054.87
BARNES	\$33,016,247.00	0.2000%	\$66,032.49	\$19,158.17
BENSON	\$12,267,235.00	0.2000%	\$24,534.47	\$7,118.25
BOTTINEAU	\$22,651,974.00	0.2000%	\$45,303.95	\$13,144.15
BOWMAN	\$8,266,393.00	0.2000%	\$16,532.79	\$4,796.70
BURKE	\$8,573,556.00	0.2000%	\$17,147.11	\$4,974.93
BURLEIGH	\$145,020,966.00	0.2000%	\$290,041.93	\$84,150.59
CASS	\$297,734,736.00	0.2000%	\$595,469.47	\$172,765.03
CAVALIER	\$19,272,267.00	0.2000%	\$38,544.53	\$11,183.02
DICKEY	\$15,233,708.00	0.2000%	\$30,467.42	\$8,839.59
DIVIDE	\$9,037,338.00	0.2000%	\$18,074.68	\$5,244.05
DUNN	\$12,277,711.00	0.2000%	\$24,555.42	\$7,124.33
EDDY	\$6,322,391.00	0.2000%	\$12,644.78	\$3,668.66
EMMONS	\$13,494,626.00	0.2000%	\$26,989.25	\$7,830.46
FOSTER	\$12,109,838.00	0.2000%	\$24,219.68	\$7,026.91
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,361,941.00	0.2000%	\$10,723.88	\$3,111.35
GRAND FORKS	\$124,884,094.00	0.2000%	\$249,768.19	\$72,465.86
GRANT	\$7,815,448.00	0.2000%	\$15,630.90	\$4,535.03
GRIGGS	\$8,407,881.00	0.2000%	\$16,815.76	\$4,878.80
HETTINGER	\$8,828,366.00	0.2000%	\$17,656.73	\$5,122.79
KIDDER	\$9,197,067.00	0.2000%	\$18,394.13	\$5,336.74
LAMOURE	\$15,207,672.00	0.2000%	\$30,415.34	\$8,824.48
LOGAN	\$6,566,965.00	0.2000%	\$13,133.93	\$3,810.58
MCHENRY	\$20,519,519.00	0.2000%	\$41,039.04	\$11,906.76
MCINTOSH	\$9,459,733.00	0.2000%	\$18,919.47	\$5,489.15
MCLEAN	\$23,912,629.00	0.2000%	\$47,825.26	\$13,875.66
MORTON	\$52,511,169.00	0.2000%	\$105,022.34	\$30,470.39
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,600,261.00	0.2000%	\$29,200.52	\$8,472.02
NELSON	\$10,802,490.00	0.2000%	\$21,604.98	\$6,268.31
OLIVER	\$5,178,741.00	0.2000%	\$10,357.48	\$3,005.04
PEMBINA	\$28,043,475.00	0.2000%	\$56,086.95	\$16,272.65
PIERCE	\$13,568,390.00	0.2000%	\$27,136.78	\$7,873.26
RAMSEY	\$23,661,732.00	0.2000%	\$47,323.46	\$13,730.07
RANSOM	\$15,758,229.00	0.2000%	\$31,516.46	\$9,143.95
RENVILLE	\$9,860,176.00	0.2000%	\$19,720.35	\$5,721.51
RICHLAND	\$45,509,107.00	0.2000%	\$91,018.21	\$26,407.34
ROLETTE	\$9,175,979.00	0.2000%	\$18,351.96	\$5,324.50
SARGENT	\$13,751,700.00	0.2000%	\$27,503.40	\$7,979.63
SHERIDAN	\$5,918,760.00	0.2000%	\$11,837.52	\$3,434.45
SIoux	\$2,030,494.00	0.2000%	\$4,060.99	\$1,178.22
SLOPE	\$5,192,007.00	0.2000%	\$10,384.01	\$3,012.76
STARK	\$36,153,593.00	0.2000%	\$72,307.19	\$20,978.66
STEELE	\$10,046,169.00	0.2000%	\$20,092.34	\$5,829.44
STUTSMAN	\$47,118,491.00	0.2000%	\$94,236.98	\$27,341.21
TOWNER	\$11,470,242.00	0.2000%	\$22,940.48	\$6,655.78
TRAIL	\$24,427,272.00	0.2000%	\$48,854.54	\$14,174.29
WALSH	\$30,499,327.00	0.2000%	\$60,998.65	\$17,697.69
WARD	\$100,519,559.00	0.2000%	\$201,039.12	\$58,327.98
WELLS	\$16,699,672.00	0.2000%	\$33,399.34	\$9,690.23
WILLIAMS	\$35,151,727.00	0.2000%	\$70,303.45	\$20,397.31
CITIES				
HAZEN	\$2,841,700.00	0.2000%	\$5,683.40	\$1,648.94
\$1,432,918,720.00			\$2,865,837.44	\$831,472.50
Statewide Assessment			Levied by Counties	Disbursement
				\$831,472.50
			% Disbursement to County Levy	29.01325%

Scenario 2

If counties increased to 2 mills each and an increase of \$1.5 million (3 million for biennium)
 assumes all counties increase levies to 2 mills using 2003 taxable valuations

COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS TAX YEAR 2003

COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	CHECK AMOUNT
ADAMS	\$6,987,957.00	0.2000%	\$13,975.91	\$11,369.96
BARNES	\$33,016,247.00	0.2000%	\$66,032.49	\$53,720.05
BENSON	\$12,267,235.00	0.2000%	\$24,534.47	\$19,959.77
BOTTINEAU	\$22,651,974.00	0.2000%	\$45,303.95	\$36,856.56
BOWMAN	\$8,266,393.00	0.2000%	\$16,532.79	\$13,450.08
BURKE	\$8,573,556.00	0.2000%	\$17,147.11	\$13,949.86
BURLEIGH	\$145,020,966.00	0.2000%	\$290,041.93	\$235,960.63
CASS	\$297,734,736.00	0.2000%	\$595,469.47	\$484,438.05
CAVALIER	\$19,272,267.00	0.2000%	\$38,544.53	\$31,357.51
DICKEY	\$15,233,708.00	0.2000%	\$30,467.42	\$24,786.45
DIVIDE	\$9,037,338.00	0.2000%	\$18,074.68	\$14,704.47
DUNN	\$12,277,711.00	0.2000%	\$24,555.42	\$19,976.81
EDDY	\$6,322,391.00	0.2000%	\$12,644.78	\$10,287.03
EMMONS	\$13,494,626.00	0.2000%	\$26,989.25	\$21,956.83
FOSTER	\$12,109,838.00	0.2000%	\$24,219.68	\$19,703.67
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,361,941.00	0.2000%	\$10,723.88	\$8,724.30
GRAND FORKS	\$124,884,094.00	0.2000%	\$249,768.19	\$203,196.33
GRANT	\$7,815,448.00	0.2000%	\$15,630.90	\$12,716.35
GRIGGS	\$8,407,881.00	0.2000%	\$16,815.76	\$13,680.29
HETTINGER	\$8,828,366.00	0.2000%	\$17,656.73	\$14,364.45
KIDDER	\$9,197,067.00	0.2000%	\$18,394.13	\$14,964.36
LAMOURE	\$15,207,672.00	0.2000%	\$30,415.34	\$24,744.09
LOGAN	\$6,566,965.00	0.2000%	\$13,133.93	\$10,684.97
MCHENRY	\$20,519,519.00	0.2000%	\$41,039.04	\$33,386.89
MCINTOSH	\$9,459,733.00	0.2000%	\$18,919.47	\$15,391.74
MCLEAN	\$23,912,629.00	0.2000%	\$47,825.26	\$38,907.75
MORTON	\$52,511,169.00	0.2000%	\$105,022.34	\$85,439.84
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,600,261.00	0.2000%	\$29,200.52	\$23,755.78
NELSON	\$10,802,490.00	0.2000%	\$21,604.98	\$17,576.51
OLIVER	\$5,178,741.00	0.2000%	\$10,357.48	\$8,426.22
PEMBINA	\$28,043,475.00	0.2000%	\$56,086.95	\$45,628.96
PIERCE	\$13,568,390.00	0.2000%	\$27,136.78	\$22,076.85
RAMSEY	\$23,661,732.00	0.2000%	\$47,323.46	\$38,499.52
RANSOM	\$15,758,229.00	0.2000%	\$31,516.46	\$25,639.89
RENVILLE	\$9,860,176.00	0.2000%	\$19,720.35	\$16,043.29
RICHLAND	\$45,509,107.00	0.2000%	\$91,018.21	\$74,046.93
ROLETTE	\$9,175,979.00	0.2000%	\$18,351.96	\$14,930.05
SARGENT	\$13,751,700.00	0.2000%	\$27,503.40	\$22,375.11
SHERIDAN	\$5,918,760.00	0.2000%	\$11,837.52	\$9,630.29
SIOUX	\$2,030,494.00	0.2000%	\$4,060.99	\$3,303.77
SLOPE	\$5,192,007.00	0.2000%	\$10,384.01	\$8,447.83
STARK	\$36,153,593.00	0.2000%	\$72,307.19	\$58,824.77
STEELE	\$10,046,169.00	0.2000%	\$20,092.34	\$16,345.91
STUTSMAN	\$47,118,491.00	0.2000%	\$94,236.98	\$76,665.53
TOWNER	\$11,470,242.00	0.2000%	\$22,940.48	\$18,662.99
TRAILL	\$24,427,272.00	0.2000%	\$48,854.54	\$39,745.11
WALSH	\$30,499,327.00	0.2000%	\$60,998.65	\$49,624.83
WARD	\$100,519,559.00	0.2000%	\$201,039.12	\$163,553.30
WELLS	\$16,699,672.00	0.2000%	\$33,399.34	\$27,171.69
WILLIAMS	\$35,151,727.00	0.2000%	\$70,303.45	\$57,194.65
CITIES				
HAZEN	\$2,841,700.00	0.2000%	\$5,683.40	\$4,623.67

\$3,000,000.00	\$1,432,918,720.00	\$2,865,837.44	\$2,331,472.50
\$1,662,945.00	Statewide Assessment	Levied by Counties	Disbursement
\$4,662,945.00			\$2,331,472.50
divided by two years (Biennium)		% Disbursement to County Levy	81.35397%
\$2,331,472.50			
(State Match to Mill levy Program)			

Scenario 3

If county mill levies remain same as current and an allocation increase of \$1.5 million (3 million for biennium)
assumes county levies remain the same using 2003 taxable valuations

COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS TAX YEAR 2003

COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	CHECK AMOUNT
ADAMS	\$6,987,957.00	0.1250%	\$8,734.95	\$12,944.90
BARNES	\$33,016,247.00	0.1030%	\$34,006.73	\$50,396.84
BENSON	\$12,267,235.00	0.1230%	\$15,088.70	\$22,360.95
BOTTINEAU	\$22,651,974.00	0.1000%	\$22,651.97	\$33,569.47
BOWMAN	\$8,266,393.00	0.1970%	\$16,284.79	\$24,133.52
BURKE	\$8,573,556.00	0.0970%	\$8,316.35	\$12,324.55
BURLEIGH	\$145,020,966.00	0.1030%	\$149,371.59	\$221,363.72
CASS	\$297,734,736.00	0.1000%	\$297,734.74	\$441,232.93
CAVALIER	\$19,272,267.00	0.1450%	\$27,944.79	\$41,413.24
DICKEY	\$15,233,708.00	0.1000%	\$15,233.71	\$22,575.85
DIVIDE	\$9,037,338.00	0.1030%	\$9,308.46	\$13,794.82
DUNN	\$12,277,711.00	0.1030%	\$12,646.04	\$18,741.01
EDDY	\$6,322,391.00	0.1500%	\$9,483.59	\$14,054.36
EMMONS	\$13,494,626.00	0.0500%	\$6,747.31	\$9,999.29
FOSTER	\$12,109,838.00	0.1000%	\$12,109.84	\$17,946.38
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,361,941.00	0.1000%	\$5,361.94	\$7,946.22
GRAND FORKS	\$124,884,094.00	0.1000%	\$124,884.09	\$185,074.05
GRANT	\$7,815,448.00	0.1000%	\$7,815.45	\$11,582.23
GRIGGS	\$8,407,881.00	0.1000%	\$8,407.88	\$12,460.20
HETTINGER	\$8,828,366.00	0.1460%	\$12,889.41	\$19,101.68
KIDDER	\$9,197,067.00	0.1000%	\$9,197.07	\$13,629.75
LAMOURE	\$15,207,672.00	0.1760%	\$26,765.50	\$39,665.58
LOGAN	\$6,566,965.00	0.1320%	\$8,668.39	\$12,846.27
MCHENRY	\$20,519,519.00	0.1040%	\$21,340.30	\$31,625.61
MCINTOSH	\$9,459,733.00	0.1840%	\$17,405.91	\$25,794.98
MCLEAN	\$23,912,629.00	0.1370%	\$32,760.30	\$48,549.67
MORTON	\$52,511,169.00	0.1500%	\$78,766.75	\$116,729.70
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,600,261.00	0.1000%	\$14,600.26	\$21,637.10
NELSON	\$10,802,490.00	0.1000%	\$10,802.49	\$16,008.93
OLIVER	\$5,178,741.00	0.0820%	\$4,246.57	\$6,293.27
PEMBINA	\$28,043,475.00	0.1000%	\$28,043.48	\$41,559.49
PIERCE	\$13,568,390.00	0.1000%	\$13,568.39	\$20,107.90
RAMSEY	\$23,661,732.00	0.1000%	\$23,661.73	\$35,065.90
RANSOM	\$15,758,229.00	0.1060%	\$16,703.72	\$24,754.36
RENVILLE	\$9,860,176.00	0.1000%	\$9,860.18	\$14,612.45
RICHLAND	\$45,509,107.00	0.1000%	\$45,509.11	\$67,442.98
ROLETTE	\$9,175,979.00	0.1250%	\$11,469.97	\$16,998.12
SARGENT	\$13,751,700.00	0.1000%	\$13,751.70	\$20,379.56
SHERIDAN	\$5,918,760.00	0.1000%	\$5,918.76	\$8,771.40
SIOUX	\$2,030,494.00	0.2000%	\$4,060.99	\$6,018.25
SLOPE	\$5,192,007.00	0.0830%	\$4,309.37	\$6,386.36
STARK	\$36,153,593.00	0.1000%	\$36,153.59	\$53,578.42
STEELE	\$10,046,169.00	0.1000%	\$10,046.17	\$14,888.09
STUTSMAN	\$47,118,491.00	0.1610%	\$75,860.77	\$112,423.13
TOWNER	\$11,470,242.00	0.1020%	\$11,699.65	\$17,338.49
TRAILL	\$24,427,272.00	0.1000%	\$24,427.27	\$36,200.40
WALSH	\$30,499,327.00	0.1000%	\$30,499.33	\$45,198.98
WARD	\$100,519,559.00	0.1000%	\$100,519.56	\$148,966.63
WELLS	\$16,699,672.00	0.1030%	\$17,200.66	\$25,490.81
WILLIAMS	\$35,151,727.00	0.1570%	\$55,188.21	\$81,787.08
CITIES				
HAZEN	\$2,841,700.00	0.1830%	\$5,200.31	\$7,706.69

An explanation in this scenario is that the projected increase to taxable valuations is 61 million per year based on a four year average. The anticipated 2005 taxable valuation is \$1,554,918,720.00. Assuming mill levies stay at current county rates, the projection is the counties will levy \$1,718,185.00 in 2005. 2006 projected valuation is \$1,615,918,720.00. Assuming mill levies stay at current county rates, the projection is the counties will levy \$1,785,590.00 in 2006. To achieve a dollar for dollar match, the state levy match would need to be \$1,718,185.00 to disburse in 2006 based on 2005 projected valuations. To achieve a dollar for dollar match, the state levy match would need to be \$1,785,590.00 to disburse in 2007 based on 2006 projected valuations. Total would equal \$3,503,775.00 for the biennium. If 3 million were added in addition to the current appropriation of \$1,662,945.00, the total state mill levy match would be \$4,662,945.00. If \$4,662,945.00 were disbursed, it would equate to approximately \$1.33 match to each county \$1.00 levied.

\$3,000,000.00	\$1,432,918,720.00	\$1,573,228.80	\$2,331,472.50
\$1,662,945.00	Statewide Assessment	Levied by Counties	Disbursement
\$4,662,945.00			\$2,331,472.50
divided by two years (Biennium)		% Disbursement to County Levy	148.19666%
\$2,331,472.50			

Aging Services Division Older Americans Act Service Report
Program Expenditures as of Federal Fiscal Year Ending 9-30-2004

Service	Total Expenditures (Sum of all sources)	Title III Older Americans Act Federal Funds	State General Fund approp. (Applies to State Match)	Required Provider Match (applies to 15% match)	Nutrition Services HHS (Former USDA)	Program Income (Client Contributions)	Additional Local Funded Match from Providers	OAA Federal Funds	State	Required 15 % Match	NSIP Fed	Program Income (Client Contrib.)	Additional Provider Match
Title III B													
Health	\$667,210	\$311,000	\$0	\$54,736	\$0	\$129,881	\$171,594	46.61%	0.00%	8.20%	0.00%	19.47%	25.72%
Transportation	\$836,923	\$310,198	\$0	\$54,802	\$0	\$95,361	\$376,562	37.06%	0.00%	6.55%	0.00%	11.39%	44.99%
Outreach	\$1,539,756	\$752,410	\$0	\$98,426	\$0	\$1,967	\$686,953	48.87%	0.00%	6.39%	0.00%	0.13%	44.61%
Total Title III B	\$3,043,889	\$1,373,608	\$0	\$207,964	\$0	\$227,209	\$1,235,108						
Title III C 1													
Congregate Meals	\$4,643,211	\$1,318,251	\$300,000	\$287,689	\$515,680	\$1,802,431	\$419,160	28.39%	6.46%	6.20%	11.11%	38.82%	9.03%
Title III C 2													
Home Delivered	\$2,916,957	\$959,983	\$60,000	\$181,331	\$308,143	\$1,057,002	\$350,498	32.91%	2.06%	6.22%	10.56%	36.24%	12.02%
	\$10,604,057	\$3,651,842	\$360,000	\$676,985	\$823,823	\$3,086,642	\$2,004,766						

Federal funds for services in B, C1, and C2 are allocated in particular service areas by the Department of Health and Human Services by the Administration on Aging under the Older Americans Act (Title III). The funds are a provision for a specified number of units. An issue is that additional units are served by the providers above and beyond their contracts. The column just to the left of the box indicates service recipients (clients) contributed \$3,086,000.00 for the year ending 9-30-2004.

OLDER AMERICANS ACT FUNDING

The State of North Dakota receives Older Americans Act funds from the Administration on Aging in the following program titles: Supportive Services, Congregate Meals, and Home-Delivered Meals as well as other program titles.

In FFY 2004, Aging Services Division received the following Title III-B and Title III-C awards from the Administration on Aging:

- \$1,762,299 Title III-B Supportive Services
- \$1,923,965 Title III-C-1 Congregate Meals
- \$ 895,954 Title III-C-2 Home-Delivered Meals

Aging Services Division allocates C-1 Congregate Meals and C-2 Home-Delivered Meals funds to service providers. Service providers determine the projected number of congregate and the projected number of home-delivered meals to be served during their contract period. Providers base their determination on previous service delivery and projected need.

The allowable transfer between the C-1 and C-2 awards is 40% or a total of \$769,586. In FFY 2004, Aging Services transferred 0.3% or a total of \$6,095 from C-1 to C-2. The allowable transfer between B and C is 30%. In FFY 2004, Aging Services transferred 7.5% from C-1 to B or a total of \$144,569.

Transferring the amounts stated above allows Aging Services Division to fund the projected needs in supportive and nutrition services.

TESTIMONY
SENATE BILL 2267
HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS
HUMAN RESOURCES SUBCOMMITTEE
REPRESENTATIVE DELZER, CHAIRMAN
MARCH 01, 2005

Chairman Delzer and members of the House Appropriations Human Resources Committee, I am Linda Wright, Director of the Aging Services Division, Department of Human Services. I appear before you today to provide information regarding the Senior Citizens Mill Levy/Mill Levy Match Program.

The Senior Citizens Mill Levy was enacted in 1971 and is included in Section 57-15-56 of the North Dakota Century Code. The state law currently allows counties or cities to authorize up to 2 mills for the purpose of supporting programs and services for older persons. In addition, the law requires the Department of Human Services to provide matching funds for the amounts levied by counties and cities. The match is based on the availability of funds appropriated by the Legislature. The original intent of the Mill Levy Match was to provide a dollar for dollar match of the county or city levy. This was achieved only in the first year of the matching program. Please refer to the attached fact sheet (Attachment A) for additional information.

In the current biennium, the mill levy match budget totals \$1,662,945. The same amount is included in the Department of Human Services budget for the 2005-2007 biennium. Based on the 2003 taxable valuations, this equates to a match of 52.8 cents on the dollar. Attachment B entitled "County Assessment Value and Mill for Senior Citizens Tax Year 2003" details the dollar value of the mill levy, by county and city, and the amount of

matching funds distributed to each. Mill Levy Match funds are distributed once a year by the Department. Based on the 2004 taxable valuations, the match equates to 46.15 cents on the dollar (see Attachment C).

The Senate added \$500,000 to the mill levy match in Senate Bill 2267. Based on 2004 taxable valuations, this would equate to 60.03 cents match on the dollar (see Attachment D).

In order to qualify to receive mill levy funding at the local level, certain requirements need to be met. The recipient agency needs to be incorporated as a not for profit in North Dakota, have a contract with the taxing authority (or their contracting authority), and have filed an annual report of services and expenses generated from the mill levy.

In Fiscal Year 2004, Mill Levy Matching funds assisted with the purchase of 548,958 home delivered meals, 863,680 congregate meals, 138,925 transportation services, 171,244 health services, 133,701 outreach services and 30,594 other services. In addition to helping fund services for older persons, the mill levy match dollars are also used as matching funds for the Older Americans Act federal funds, and are used to help maintain senior citizens centers in communities across the state.

The Aging Services Division is responsible for administration and disbursement of the senior citizen's mill levy match funds. The Regional Aging Services Program Administrator at each of the Regional Human Services Centers is responsible for providing technical assistance to county or city auditors, commissioners, or the contracted agency and to perform program audits as needed.

The Senior Citizen's Mill Levy/Mill Levy Match funds play a very important role in providing services for older persons which allow them to remain in

their own homes and communities, in the least restrictive environment, for as long as possible.

I would be happy to answer any questions you may have at this time.



Senior Services: Mill Levy Matching Funds

Aging Services Division

MARCH 2005

Purpose:

The Mill Levy Match Program is intended to defray expenses of local programs and services for senior citizens in North Dakota. It matches local tax levies with state general funds in order to provide home-delivered meals, meals at senior meal sites, transportation, and health screenings utilized by senior citizens. Mill Levy Match funds also help meet federal program match requirements. Local entities must meet a minimum 15 percent match on federal OAA dollars.

The N.D. Department of Human Services' Aging Services Division distributes the state matching funds.

Background:

- The Senior Citizens Mill Levy and Mill Levy Match Program were enacted in the 1970s by the state Legislature (NDCC 57-15-56).
- Counties or cities are allowed to authorize up to a two mill levy for the purpose of senior citizen programs. A mill equals 1/1000 of a cent. Every \$10 in assessed property value generates one cent.
- In 2004, the assessed property value of the state of North Dakota totaled \$1.49 billion, which generated \$1.8 million in county levied taxes. In 2004, the state general fund match for the local assessments was 46.1 cents on the dollar, or \$831,472.
- Counties are interested in the mill levy match because of their aging populations and the challenge of delivering services in rural areas.

Current Status:

- In March 2005, the North Dakota Department of Human Services distributed \$831,472 in mill levy matching funds to 50 local governments for senior citizen programs and services.
- During the federal fiscal year that ended September 30, 2004, mill levy matching funds assisted with the purchase of 548,958 home-delivered meals and 863,680 meals served at senior meal sites. The meals, along with transportation services and health screenings, help sustain older North Dakotans in their homes and communities.

Distribution of State Matching Funds:

State Planning Regions	Dollars	Percent of Total
Williston Region I	\$29,768	4%
Minot Region II	\$122,017	15%
Devils Lake Region III	\$46,759	6%
Grand Forks Region IV	93,543	11%
Fargo Region V	\$202,427	24%
Jamestown Region VI	\$119,365	14%
Bismarck Region VII	\$177,075	21%
Dickinson Region VIII	\$40,518	5%
TOTAL	\$831,472	100%



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**COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS
TAX YEAR 2003**

ATTACHMENT B

COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	CHECK AMOUNT
ADAMS	\$6,987,957.00	0.1250%	\$8,734.95	\$4,616.54
BARNES	\$33,016,247.00	0.1030%	\$34,006.73	\$17,973.01
BENSON	\$12,267,235.00	0.1230%	\$15,088.70	\$7,974.58
BOTTINEAU	\$22,651,974.00	0.1000%	\$22,651.97	\$11,971.87
BOWMAN	\$8,268,393.00	0.1970%	\$16,284.79	\$8,606.73
BURKE	\$8,573,556.00	0.0970%	\$8,316.35	\$4,395.30
BURLEIGH	\$145,020,966.00	0.1030%	\$149,371.59	\$78,944.90
CASS	\$297,734,736.00	0.1000%	\$297,734.74	\$157,356.80
CAVALIER	\$19,272,267.00	0.1450%	\$27,944.79	\$14,769.19
DICKEY	\$15,233,708.00	0.1000%	\$15,233.71	\$8,051.22
DIVIDE	\$9,037,338.00	0.1030%	\$9,308.46	\$4,919.64
DUNN	\$12,277,711.00	0.1030%	\$12,646.04	\$6,683.60
EDDY	\$6,322,391.00	0.1500%	\$9,483.59	\$5,012.20
EMMONS	\$13,494,626.00	0.0500%	\$6,747.31	\$3,566.05
FOSTER	\$12,109,838.00	0.1000%	\$12,109.84	\$6,400.21
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,361,941.00	0.1000%	\$5,361.94	\$2,833.86
GRAND FORKS	\$124,884,094.00	0.1000%	\$124,884.09	\$66,002.92
GRANT	\$7,815,448.00	0.1000%	\$7,815.45	\$4,130.57
GRIGGS	\$8,407,881.00	0.1000%	\$8,407.88	\$4,443.68
HETTINGER	\$8,828,366.00	0.1460%	\$12,889.41	\$6,812.23
KIDDER	\$9,197,067.00	0.1000%	\$9,197.07	\$4,860.77
LAMOURE	\$15,207,672.00	0.1760%	\$26,785.50	\$14,145.93
LOGAN	\$6,566,965.00	0.1320%	\$8,668.39	\$4,581.36
MCHENRY	\$20,519,519.00	0.1040%	\$21,340.30	\$11,278.63
MCINTOSH	\$9,459,733.00	0.1840%	\$17,405.91	\$9,199.26
MCLEAN	\$23,912,629.00	0.1370%	\$32,760.30	\$17,314.26
MORTON	\$52,511,169.00	0.1500%	\$78,766.75	\$41,629.28
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,600,261.00	0.1000%	\$14,600.26	\$7,716.43
NELSON	\$10,802,490.00	0.1000%	\$10,802.49	\$5,709.26
OLIVER	\$5,178,741.00	0.0820%	\$4,246.57	\$2,244.37
PEMBINA	\$28,043,475.00	0.1000%	\$28,043.48	\$14,821.35
PIERCE	\$13,568,390.00	0.1000%	\$13,568.39	\$7,171.08
RAMSEY	\$23,661,732.00	0.1000%	\$23,661.73	\$12,505.54
RANSOM	\$15,758,229.00	0.1060%	\$16,703.72	\$8,828.14
RENVILLE	\$9,860,176.00	0.1000%	\$9,860.18	\$5,211.24
RICHLAND	\$45,509,107.00	0.1000%	\$45,509.11	\$24,052.17
ROLETTE	\$9,175,979.00	0.1250%	\$11,469.97	\$6,062.03
SARGENT	\$13,751,700.00	0.1000%	\$13,751.70	\$7,267.96
SHERIDAN	\$5,918,760.00	0.1000%	\$5,918.76	\$3,128.14
SIOUX	\$2,030,494.00	0.2000%	\$4,060.99	\$2,146.29
SLOPE	\$5,192,007.00	0.0830%	\$4,309.37	\$2,277.58
STARK	\$36,153,593.00	0.1000%	\$36,153.59	\$19,107.66
STEELE	\$10,046,169.00	0.1000%	\$10,046.17	\$5,309.53
STUTSMAN	\$47,118,491.00	0.1610%	\$75,860.77	\$40,093.43
TOWNER	\$11,470,242.00	0.1020%	\$11,699.65	\$6,183.42
TRAIL	\$24,427,272.00	0.1000%	\$24,427.27	\$12,910.14
WALSH	\$30,499,327.00	0.1000%	\$30,499.33	\$16,119.30
WARD	\$100,519,559.00	0.1000%	\$100,519.56	\$53,125.93
WELLS	\$16,699,672.00	0.1030%	\$17,200.66	\$9,090.78
WILLIAMS	\$35,151,727.00	0.1570%	\$55,188.21	\$29,167.71
CITIES				
BEULAH	Does not participate	0.0000%		\$0.00
HAZEN	\$2,841,700.00	0.1830%	\$5,200.31	\$2,748.43

\$1,432,918,720.00
Statewide Assessment

\$1,573,228.80
County Levy

\$831,472.50
Disbursement

Disbursement to County Levy

\$831,472.50

52.85134%

3/19/2004

Scenario 5

If county mill levies remain same as current

assumes county levies remain the same using 2004 taxable valuations

COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS TAX YEAR 2004

COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	CHECK AMOUNT
ADAMS	\$6,895,361.00	0.1280%	\$8,826.06	\$4,073.50
BARNES	\$32,742,843.00	0.2000%	\$65,485.69	\$30,223.67
BENSON	\$12,363,342.00	0.1230%	\$15,206.91	\$7,018.46
BOTTINEAU	\$23,916,599.00	0.1000%	\$23,916.60	\$11,038.25
BOWMAN	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$0.00	\$0.00
BURKE	\$8,605,058.00	0.1390%	\$11,961.03	\$5,520.39
BURLEIGH	\$155,691,933.00	0.1160%	\$180,602.64	\$83,353.71
CASS	\$325,152,068.00	0.1000%	\$325,152.07	\$150,067.74
CAVALIER	\$19,322,750.00	0.1450%	\$28,017.99	\$12,931.17
DICKEY	\$15,416,531.00	0.1000%	\$15,416.53	\$7,115.21
DIVIDE	\$8,944,688.00	0.1030%	\$9,352.42	\$4,316.43
DUNN	\$12,756,274.00	0.1020%	\$13,011.40	\$6,005.16
EDDY	\$6,343,325.00	0.1670%	\$10,593.35	\$4,889.16
EMMONS	\$13,554,057.00	0.0500%	\$6,777.03	\$3,127.81
FOSTER	\$12,209,627.00	0.1000%	\$12,209.63	\$5,635.12
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,480,994.00	0.2000%	\$10,961.99	\$5,059.30
GRAND FORKS	\$133,495,154.00	0.1000%	\$133,495.15	\$61,612.15
GRANT	\$7,701,621.00	0.1000%	\$7,701.62	\$3,554.54
GRIGGS	\$8,354,962.00	0.1500%	\$12,532.44	\$5,784.11
HETTINGER	\$8,865,738.00	0.1460%	\$12,943.98	\$5,974.05
KIDDER	\$9,335,383.00	0.1000%	\$9,335.38	\$4,308.57
LAMOURE	\$16,423,268.00	0.2000%	\$32,846.54	\$15,159.69
LOGAN	\$6,417,795.00	0.1900%	\$12,193.81	\$5,627.82
MCHENRY	\$20,531,190.00	0.1080%	\$22,173.69	\$10,233.84
MCINTOSH	\$9,522,123.00	0.1500%	\$14,283.18	\$6,592.13
MCLEAN	\$24,803,556.00	0.2000%	\$49,607.11	\$22,895.22
MORTON	\$54,819,217.00	0.2000%	\$109,638.43	\$50,601.53
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,689,919.00	0.1000%	\$14,689.92	\$6,779.85
NELSON	\$10,629,541.00	0.1000%	\$10,629.54	\$4,905.86
OLIVER	\$5,177,765.00	0.0790%	\$4,090.43	\$1,887.86
PEMBINA	\$27,964,243.00	0.1000%	\$27,964.24	\$12,906.36
PIERCE	\$13,464,634.00	0.1010%	\$13,599.28	\$6,276.49
RAMSEY	\$24,281,322.00	0.1000%	\$24,281.32	\$11,206.58
RANSOM	\$15,353,510.00	0.1090%	\$16,735.33	\$7,723.87
RENVILLE	\$9,857,077.00	0.1000%	\$9,857.08	\$4,549.35
RICHLAND	\$47,636,240.00	0.1000%	\$47,636.24	\$21,985.60
ROLETTE	\$9,608,757.00	0.1200%	\$11,530.51	\$5,321.69
SARGENT	\$13,843,543.00	0.1000%	\$13,843.54	\$6,389.22
SHERIDAN	\$6,071,241.00	0.1000%	\$6,071.24	\$2,802.07
SIOUX	\$2,057,249.00	0.1974%	\$4,060.99	\$1,874.27
SLOPE	\$5,195,511.00	0.0830%	\$4,312.27	\$1,990.27
STARK	\$37,735,184.00	0.1000%	\$37,735.18	\$17,415.96
STEELE	\$10,076,327.00	0.1000%	\$10,076.33	\$4,650.54
STUTSMAN	\$48,321,399.00	0.1580%	\$76,347.81	\$35,236.88
TOWNER	\$11,453,763.00	0.1020%	\$11,682.84	\$5,391.99
TRAILL	\$24,561,898.00	0.1010%	\$25,155.29	\$11,609.94
WALSH	\$30,591,684.00	0.1000%	\$30,591.68	\$14,119.01
WARD	\$105,111,117.00	0.1600%	\$168,177.79	\$77,619.26
WELLS	\$16,808,418.00	0.1030%	\$17,312.67	\$7,990.33
WILLIAMS	\$36,280,333.00	0.1520%	\$55,146.11	\$25,451.64
CITIES				
HAZEN	\$2,891,335.00	0.2000%	\$5,782.67	\$2,668.88

\$1,489,327,467.00

Statewide Assessment

\$1,801,552.98

Levied by County

\$831,472.50

Disbursement

\$831,472.50

% Disbursement to County Levy

46.15310%

Scenario 6

If county mill levies remain same as current and an allocation increase of \$250,000.00 (\$500,000.00 for biennium)

assumes county levies remain the same using 2004 taxable valuations

COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS TAX YEAR 2004

COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	CHECK AMOUNT
ADAMS	\$6,895,361.00	0.1280%	\$8,826.06	\$5,298.29
BARNES	\$32,742,843.00	0.2000%	\$65,485.69	\$39,311.07
BENSON	\$12,363,342.00	0.1230%	\$15,206.91	\$9,128.71
BOTTINEAU	\$23,916,599.00	0.1000%	\$23,916.60	\$14,357.14
BOWMAN	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$0.00	\$0.00
BURKE	\$8,605,058.00	0.1390%	\$11,961.03	\$7,180.21
BURLEIGH	\$155,691,933.00	0.1160%	\$180,602.64	\$108,415.79
CASS	\$325,152,068.00	0.1000%	\$325,152.07	\$195,188.82
CAVALIER	\$19,322,750.00	0.1450%	\$28,017.99	\$16,819.20
DICKEY	\$15,416,531.00	0.1000%	\$15,416.53	\$9,254.55
DIVIDE	\$8,944,688.00	0.1030%	\$9,352.42	\$5,614.26
DUNN	\$12,756,274.00	0.1020%	\$13,011.40	\$7,810.74
EDDY	\$6,343,325.00	0.1670%	\$10,593.35	\$6,359.19
EMMONS	\$13,554,057.00	0.0500%	\$6,777.03	\$4,068.25
FOSTER	\$12,209,627.00	0.1000%	\$12,209.63	\$7,329.44
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,480,994.00	0.2000%	\$10,961.99	\$6,580.48
GRAND FORKS	\$133,495,154.00	0.1000%	\$133,495.15	\$80,137.16
GRANT	\$7,701,621.00	0.1000%	\$7,701.62	\$4,623.28
GRIGGS	\$8,354,962.00	0.1500%	\$12,532.44	\$7,523.23
HETTINGER	\$8,865,738.00	0.1460%	\$12,943.98	\$7,770.27
KIDDER	\$9,335,383.00	0.1000%	\$9,335.38	\$5,604.03
LAMOURE	\$16,423,268.00	0.2000%	\$32,846.54	\$19,717.78
LOGAN	\$6,417,795.00	0.1900%	\$12,193.81	\$7,319.95
MCHENRY	\$20,531,190.00	0.1080%	\$22,173.69	\$13,310.87
MCINTOSH	\$9,522,123.00	0.1500%	\$14,283.18	\$8,574.20
MCLEAN	\$24,803,556.00	0.2000%	\$49,607.11	\$29,779.16
MORTON	\$54,819,217.00	0.2000%	\$109,638.43	\$65,815.97
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,689,919.00	0.1000%	\$14,689.92	\$8,818.36
NELSON	\$10,629,541.00	0.1000%	\$10,629.54	\$6,380.91
OLIVER	\$5,177,765.00	0.0790%	\$4,090.43	\$2,455.49
PEMBINA	\$27,964,243.00	0.1000%	\$27,964.24	\$16,786.94
PIERCE	\$13,464,634.00	0.1010%	\$13,599.28	\$8,163.65
RAMSEY	\$24,281,322.00	0.1000%	\$24,281.32	\$14,576.08
RANSOM	\$15,353,510.00	0.1090%	\$16,735.33	\$10,046.22
RENVILLE	\$9,857,077.00	0.1000%	\$9,857.08	\$5,917.20
RICHLAND	\$47,636,240.00	0.1000%	\$47,636.24	\$28,596.04
ROLETTE	\$9,608,757.00	0.1200%	\$11,530.51	\$6,921.77
SARGENT	\$13,843,543.00	0.1000%	\$13,843.54	\$8,310.28
SHERIDAN	\$6,071,241.00	0.1000%	\$6,071.24	\$3,644.57
SIOUX	\$2,057,249.00	0.1974%	\$4,060.99	\$2,437.81
SLOPE	\$5,195,511.00	0.0830%	\$4,312.27	\$2,588.68
STARK	\$37,735,184.00	0.1000%	\$37,735.18	\$22,652.44
STEELE	\$10,076,327.00	0.1000%	\$10,076.33	\$6,048.82
STUTSMAN	\$48,321,399.00	0.1580%	\$76,347.81	\$45,831.60
TOWNER	\$11,453,763.00	0.1020%	\$11,682.84	\$7,013.21
TRAILL	\$24,561,898.00	0.1010%	\$25,155.29	\$15,100.72
WALSH	\$30,591,684.00	0.1000%	\$30,591.68	\$18,364.19
WARD	\$105,111,117.00	0.1600%	\$168,177.79	\$100,957.15
WELLS	\$16,808,418.00	0.1030%	\$17,312.67	\$10,392.80
WILLIAMS	\$36,280,333.00	0.1520%	\$55,146.11	\$33,104.22
CITIES				
HAZEN	\$2,891,335.00	0.2000%	\$5,782.67	\$3,471.34

\$1,489,327,467.00

Statewide Assessment

\$1,801,552.98

Levied by County

\$1,081,472.50

Disbursement

\$1,081,472.50

% Disbursement to County Levy

60.03001%

Testimony

Senator Holmberg... SB 2267

Parallel bills, parallel rationales,,, parallel support.

SB 2267 and HB 1010 have a lot in common. 1010 is the budget bill for the insurance department, specifically state payments to fire departments and 2267 is about programs and services for senior citizens specifically the state match for local mill levy's supporting meals on wheels, congregate meals, transportation and other senior programs..

Why did both pass their house of origin?

Argument used was.... The amount of money appropriated hasn't changed for a while.. And this fixed appropriation has resulted in a decrease in state support over the years till today where we support the programs at a rate slightly above 50% of what we did a few years ago.

According to testimony, that's probably why the house passed a \$2 million increase in the state support to fire departments, and certainly why the senate passed a \$500,000 increase in state support for senior programs. Neither of these legislative initiatives were included in the governors budget.

In fiscal 2003, mill levy matching funds assisted with the purchase of 510,596 home delivered meals, 853,254 congregate meals, 134,459 transportation services, 145,007 health services, 139,738 outreach services and 10,028 chore services.

The current mill levy match budget totals \$1,662,945 and that equates to a match of 52.8 cents on the dollar. When originally passed in the early 1970's the intention was that the state would match dollar for dollar.

The increase in SB 2267 would raise that match amount to 68.7 cents.

The services provided help sustain older North Dakotans in their homes and communities. Especially important is the home delivered meals program. In reviewing the Older Americans Act, we found that DHS can stress home delivered meals over congregate meals so we added amendments to 2267 to encourage providers, to the extent possible, to allocate additional resources to making available more home-delivered meals under this program. For many seniors, the fact that they can get one nutritious meal, usually stretched into two, makes the difference in their ability to stay in their own home. Certainly preferable to the costs associated with some sort of assisted living, or nursing home care. You know those costs better than I.

The number of seniors in ND is growing, the cost of inputs is increasing. The 26,000 seniors who regularly avail themselves of this service would be most appreciative if you'd put a do pass on SB 2267 and send the message that our seniors AND our fire departments need this increase..

The Older Americans act allows a voluntary contribution for meals, but forbids a set assessment for the service.

Testimony in support of SB 2267
House Appropriations – Human Resources Division
March 1, 2005

Good morning Chairman Delzer and members of the committee, my name is Erica Cermak, I am Executive Director of the North Dakota Senior Service Providers and I am here representing 27 member agencies which are the entities that provide Older Americans Act services to more than 25,000 seniors in North Dakota. SB 2267 provides an appropriation of \$ 500,000 for senior mill levy funds in addition to the 1.6 million contained in HB1012. We are asking that you support the entire amount of dollars in this bill and consider increasing the funds beyond the current \$ 500,000.

When SB 2267 was in the Senate, an amendment was written that adds Legislative Intent for this \$ 500,000 to go toward the home delivered meals program. Since these dollars are now targeted to the home delivered meals, the nutrition program is what I would like to talk about in my testimony. The Federal Administration on Aging in 2003 funded Pilot Study: First National Survey of Older Americans Act Title III Service Recipients, which showed the following findings for nutrition services :

- Home delivered meals are targeted to vulnerable populations, the majority of whom either lived alone, or were poor or near poor, were over 75 years old and/or had difficulty with activities of daily living (ADLs) such as eating, dressing or walking;
- Meals are successfully targeted to the socially isolated, about one-half reported that they would like to do more with respect to their social interactions. This rate is more than twice the rate for the general older population.
- Meals are high quality and reliable in the perception of the recipients
- 73% were at high nutritional risk, 25% at moderate risk
- 62% received one half or more of their DAILY food intake from their home delivered meal
- 25% reported they did not always have enough money or food stamps to buy food

- Targeted to recipients who are more impaired and frail than the overall 60+ population, suggesting these services contribute to maintaining individuals in their own homes

In February of this year, the Aging Services Division of the ND Department of Human Services provided the following fiscal data about Older Americans Act Services.

**Aging Services Division Older Americans Act Service Report
Program Expenditures as of Federal Fiscal Year Ending 9-30-2004**

Service	Total Expenditures (Sum of all sources)	Title III Older Americans Act Federal Funds	State General Fund approp. (Applies to State Match)	REQUIRED PROVIDER Match (applies to 15% match)	Nutrition Services HHS (Former USDA)	Program Income (Client Contributions)	Additional Local Funded Match from Providers
Title III B							
Health	\$667,210	\$311,000	\$0	\$54,736	\$0	\$129,881	\$171,594
Transportation	\$836,923	\$310,198	\$0	\$54,802	\$0	\$95,361	\$376,562
Outreach	\$1,539,756	\$752,410	\$0	\$98,426	\$0	\$1,967	\$686,953
Total Title III B	\$3,043,889	\$1,373,608	\$0	\$207,964	\$0	\$227,209	\$1,235,108
Title III C 1							
Congregate Meals	\$4,643,211	\$1,318,251	\$300,000	\$287,689	\$515,680	\$1,802,431	\$419,160
Title III C 2							
Home Delivered	\$2,916,957	\$959,983	\$60,000	\$181,331	\$308,143	\$1,057,002	\$350,498
TOTALS	\$10,604,057	\$3,651,842	\$360,000	\$676,985	\$823,823	\$3,086,6421	\$2,004,766

This information shows the significant amount of local funds that the Senior Service Provider agencies are spending above and beyond the required 15% local match. The combined local dollars being spent to provide Older Americans Act Services are \$2,681,751 or 25% of the total budget **PER YEAR** to provide these community based services. In previous testimony on this bill and HB 1012 you have heard about some of the cuts that agencies are making because the dollars needed to continue at this level of commitment are just not there.

Inflation affects community based Senior Service Provider programs just like any other entity. In addition to the cuts that have already happened, there are gaps in service not being addressed and basic service needs are not being met. The following outlines the nutrition services currently being provided and the gaps in Nutrition Services.

Meal Sites in North Dakota

1	2	3	4	5	6
	Total Number of Towns Served Congregate and Home Delivered Meals	Number of Towns Hot Congregate Meals	Number of Congregate Meal Sites	Number of Towns Served with 200 population and under	Percent of Towns Served with 200 population and under
Region 1	6	6	7	2	33%
Region 2	25	25	29	6	24%
Region 3	16	15	17	5	31%
Region 4	21	21	26	6	29%
Region 5	36	27	34	8	22%
Region 6	33	28	33	16	48%
Region 7	28	20	22	6	21%
Region 8	23	22	25	8	35%
TOTALS	188	164	193	57	30%

A portion of the "WISH" list from around the state - if we had the money

Region 1 - I have 5 additional sites that could offer meals - they have no services now

Region 2 - I have no funds to replace a retiring part time worker - but the work still needs to be done. We have a site repeatedly request they go from 3 days a week meals to 5 days a week meals - there is no money to do this

Region 3 - I would provide meals to all who need them, instead of having a waiting list

Region 4 - If money were available there are 5 sites that should go from 3 days a week to 5 days a week. There are current 5 day a week meal sites we will not be able to sustain without additional funding

Region 5 - I would hire back some of the staff I have had to cut - falling behind on work

Region 6 - I would give my employees some raises (it has been two years since we gave raises) and a few paid benefits is what we should be doing but cannot afford

Region 7 - I would like to be able to hire my "experience works" persons after their training time is over - but I have no money. I have 4 people working a total of 80 hours a week under this program - we wouldn't be able to make it without their help

Region 8 - I would not have lost good qualified staff to better pay at their new jobs

While the \$ 500,000 currently in SB 2267 will certainly help, not only are we asking for you to pass SB 2267 – but to also consider an increase in the proposed amount. Senior Service Providers are committed to providing community based services for North Dakota' older adults. We need an increase in the states' financial commitment to be able to continue to provide these essential services. Thank you.

2004 GENERAL TAXES

Fund	Mills	Amount Levied
Tax	1.00	\$24,803.57
SPECIAL DISTRICT LEVIES		
First District Health Unit	3.73	\$92,517.21
County Fair	0.36	\$8,929.31
County Library	3.78	\$93,757.45
Garrison Conservancy District	1.00	\$24,803.57
Historical Society	0.25	\$6,200.95
Leafy Spurge	0.80	\$19,842.74
Water Management District	0.18	\$4,464.71
Weed Board	2.00	\$49,607.10
Senior Citizens	2.00	\$49,607.10
South McLean Soil Conservation District	0.99	\$15,001.35
West McLean Soil Conservation District	1.31	\$12,642.37
TOTAL SPECIAL LEVIES (Including South SCD, Excluding West SCD)	15.09	\$364,731.49
TOTAL SPECIAL LEVIES (Including West SCD, Excluding South SCD)	15.41	\$362,372.51
COUNTY LEVIES		
Farm to Market Road Fund	10.00	\$248,035.56
County General Fund	13.67	\$339,081.04
Social Welfare Fund	14.16	\$351,218.31
Human Services Fund	2.21	\$54,815.82
Social Security	3.00	\$74,410.69
County Road & Bridge Fund	0.25	\$6,200.95
TOTAL COUNTY LEVIES	43.29	\$1,073,762.37
Unorganized Township Road Fund	14.74	\$149,818.80
MUNICIPAL FIRE DISTRICTS		
Plaza	4.67	\$1,465.23
Butte-Makoti	8.81	\$5,472.41
Butte	3.50	\$4,419.77
Turtle Lake	6.56	\$18,873.20
Garrison	2.05	\$10,497.06
Max	6.51	\$11,845.25
Underwood	9.30	\$32,360.59
Mercer	9.51	\$9,072.88
Washburn	5.00	\$13,188.34
Wilton	1.64	\$1,895.77
Parshall	5.00	\$3,087.25
TOTAL FIRE DISTRICTS	62.55	\$112,177.75
AMBULANCE DISTRICTS		
Garrison	3.00	\$24,179.94
Underwood	5.00	\$17,398.19
Parshall	3.68	\$2,272.21
Turtle Lake	4.81	\$20,975.27
Washburn	5.00	\$21,586.03
Wilton	10.00	\$11,559.61
TOTAL AMBULANCE DISTRICTS	31.49	\$97,971.25
TOTAL COUNTY VALUATION		\$24,803,556.00 (A)
Valuation of Unorganized Townships		\$10,164,100.00 (A)

(A) = Includes Utilities

Testimony Before The House Appropriations Committee

March 1, 2005

Chairman Delzer and members of the Committee, my name is Ray Siver. I am here as President of the Greater Grand Forks Senior Citizens Association, and as a member of the Silver Haired Assembly. I want to convey my most enthusiastic support for SB 2267, which will provide \$500,000 additional dollars of matching funds for services and programs for Senior Citizens, designed to maintain their independence. These services include home delivered and congregate meals, transportation, outreach assistance, and health related services. However, \$500,000 is insufficient for the current and projected needs of our seniors.

Twenty years ago the appropriation for the state match was \$1,680,000 – more than it is now and the appropriation has never been larger than what it was 20 years ago. The appropriation for the current biennium is \$1,662,945, which amounts to a match of about 52.8%. The assessed valuation of property has increased during 2004 from \$4.43 billion to \$1.49 billion, decreasing the state match from 52.8% to 46.1%. With property valuation expected to rise during 2005, at the current funding level we will fall below 40% matching funds. If \$500,000 is approved for the next biennium, we will be funded at about 50% state match, nearly 3% below the current level. It's apparent that \$500,000 will not solve our funding problems.

The impact of inadequate funding of Community based Senior Programs is being felt now. Some examples:

- Devils Lake is using a waiting list for meals, since there are not enough funds to provide meals for all who need them.
- Outreach worker positions have been cut in Grand Forks, Jamestown and Valley City and Outreach workers hours have been cut in Kidder-Emmons Counties, and Tri-County Services in Rugby.
- All staff at Tri-County Senior
- Services in Rugby (serving three counties) have had their hours cut
- 2 meal sites have been closed in Grand Forks and we will probably close 1 more meal site in 2005.

These are just a few of the examples of the difficulties faced by agencies providing services to our older North Dakota generation. Senior agencies provided services to more than 25,000 older persons in this state during Federal Fiscal year 2004. The demand and need for these services are there – what is lacking is the funding to provide these most essential and basic of services.

We ask for your YES vote on SB 2267. Thank you.

Appendix II

SCENARIO 11
TAX YEAR 2004
COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

(A)	(B)	(C)	(D)	(E)	(F)	(G)	(H)
		County would have to match 1/3 to levy above 1 mill column (F)			Counties above 1 mill would have to have 1/3 mill match	COUNTY AMOUNT LEVY + Match	Versus Current LEVY + Match
COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	CURRENT MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	Match Amount 2/3 up to 1 mill			
ADAMS	\$6,895,361.00	0.1280%	\$8,826.06	\$4,597.14	\$2,298.57	\$15,721.77	\$12,899.56
BARNES	\$32,742,843.00	0.2000%	\$65,485.69	\$21,829.65	\$10,914.83	\$98,230.16	\$95,709.36
BENSON	\$12,363,342.00	0.1230%	\$15,206.91	\$8,242.64	\$4,121.32	\$27,570.87	\$22,225.37
BOTTINEAU	\$23,916,599.00	0.1000%	\$23,916.60	\$15,945.20	\$0.00	\$39,861.80	\$34,954.85
BOWMAN	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BURKE	\$8,605,058.00	0.1390%	\$11,961.03	\$5,736.99	\$2,868.50	\$20,566.52	\$17,481.42
BURLEIGH	\$155,691,933.00	0.1160%	\$180,602.64	\$103,799.81	\$51,899.91	\$336,302.36	\$263,956.36
CASS	\$325,152,068.00	0.1000%	\$325,152.07	\$216,778.88	\$0.00	\$541,930.95	\$475,219.81
CAVALIER	\$19,322,750.00	0.1450%	\$28,017.99	\$12,882.48	\$6,441.24	\$47,341.71	\$40,949.16
DICKEY	\$15,416,531.00	0.1000%	\$15,416.53	\$10,278.20	\$0.00	\$25,694.73	\$22,531.74
DIVIDE	\$8,944,688.00	0.1030%	\$9,352.42	\$6,056.35	\$3,028.18	\$18,436.94	\$13,668.85
DUNN	\$12,756,274.00	0.1020%	\$13,011.40	\$8,504.61	\$4,252.31	\$25,768.31	\$19,016.56
EDDY	\$6,343,325.00	0.1670%	\$10,593.35	\$4,229.09	\$2,114.55	\$16,936.99	\$15,482.51
EMMONS	\$13,554,057.00	0.0500%	\$6,777.03	\$4,518.25	\$0.00	\$11,295.28	\$9,904.84
FOSTER	\$12,209,627.00	0.1000%	\$12,209.63	\$8,140.16	\$0.00	\$20,349.79	\$17,844.75
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,480,994.00	0.2000%	\$10,961.99	\$3,654.18	\$1,827.09	\$16,443.26	\$16,021.29
GRAND FORKS	\$133,495,154.00	0.1000%	\$133,495.15	\$89,001.22	\$0.00	\$222,496.37	\$195,107.30
GRANT	\$7,701,621.00	0.1000%	\$7,701.62	\$5,134.67	\$0.00	\$12,836.29	\$11,256.16
GRIGGS	\$8,354,962.00	0.1500%	\$12,532.44	\$5,570.25	\$2,785.13	\$20,887.82	\$18,316.55
HETTINGER	\$8,865,738.00	0.1460%	\$12,943.98	\$5,910.79	\$2,955.40	\$21,810.16	\$18,918.02
KIDDER	\$9,335,383.00	0.1000%	\$9,335.38	\$6,223.90	\$0.00	\$15,559.28	\$13,643.95
LAMOURE	\$16,423,268.00	0.2000%	\$32,846.54	\$10,949.39	\$5,474.70	\$49,270.62	\$48,006.23
LOGAN	\$6,417,795.00	0.1900%	\$12,193.81	\$4,278.74	\$2,139.37	\$18,611.92	\$17,821.63
MCHENRY	\$20,531,190.00	0.1080%	\$22,173.69	\$13,688.14	\$0.00	\$35,861.83	\$32,407.53
MCINTOSH	\$9,522,123.00	0.1500%	\$14,283.18	\$6,348.40	\$0.00	\$20,631.58	\$20,875.32
MCLEAN	\$24,803,556.00	0.2000%	\$49,607.11	\$16,536.53	\$8,268.27	\$74,411.91	\$72,502.33
MORTON	\$54,819,217.00	0.2000%	\$109,638.43	\$36,547.97	\$18,273.99	\$164,460.39	\$160,239.97
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,689,919.00	0.1000%	\$14,689.92	\$9,793.77	\$0.00	\$24,483.69	\$21,469.77
NELSON	\$10,629,541.00	0.1000%	\$10,629.54	\$7,086.71	\$0.00	\$17,716.25	\$15,535.40
OLIVER	\$5,177,765.00	0.0790%	\$4,090.43	\$2,727.09	\$0.00	\$6,817.52	\$5,978.30
PEMBINA	\$27,964,243.00	0.1000%	\$27,964.24	\$18,643.76	\$0.00	\$46,608.00	\$40,870.61
PIERCE	\$13,464,634.00	0.1010%	\$13,599.28	\$8,976.87	\$4,488.44	\$27,064.59	\$19,875.77
RAMSEY	\$24,281,322.00	0.1000%	\$24,281.32	\$16,188.36	\$0.00	\$40,469.68	\$35,487.90
RANSOM	\$15,353,510.00	0.1090%	\$16,735.33	\$10,236.19	\$5,118.10	\$32,089.61	\$24,459.20
RENVILLE	\$9,857,077.00	0.1000%	\$9,857.08	\$6,571.71	\$0.00	\$16,428.79	\$14,406.42
RICHLAND	\$47,636,240.00	0.1000%	\$47,636.24	\$31,759.08	\$0.00	\$79,395.32	\$69,621.84
ROLETTE	\$9,608,757.00	0.1200%	\$11,530.51	\$6,406.16	\$3,203.08	\$21,139.75	\$16,852.20
SARGENT	\$13,843,543.00	0.1000%	\$13,843.54	\$9,229.49	\$0.00	\$23,073.03	\$20,232.77
SHERIDAN	\$6,071,241.00	0.1000%	\$6,071.24	\$4,047.70	\$0.00	\$10,118.94	\$8,873.31
SIOUX	\$2,057,249.00	0.1974%	\$4,060.99	\$1,371.55	\$685.78	\$6,118.31	\$5,935.26
SLOPE	\$5,195,511.00	0.0830%	\$4,312.27	\$2,874.99	\$0.00	\$7,187.26	\$6,302.54
STARK	\$37,735,184.00	0.1000%	\$37,735.18	\$25,158.05	\$0.00	\$62,893.23	\$55,151.14
STEELE	\$10,076,327.00	0.1000%	\$10,076.33	\$6,717.89	\$0.00	\$16,794.22	\$14,726.86
STUTSMAN	\$48,321,399.00	0.1580%	\$76,347.81	\$32,215.88	\$16,107.94	\$124,671.63	\$111,584.69
TOWNER	\$11,453,763.00	0.1020%	\$11,682.84	\$7,636.22	\$3,818.11	\$23,137.17	\$17,074.83
TRAILL	\$24,561,898.00	0.1010%	\$25,155.29	\$16,607.28	\$8,303.64	\$50,066.21	\$36,765.23
WALSH	\$30,591,684.00	0.1000%	\$30,591.68	\$20,395.48	\$0.00	\$50,987.16	\$44,710.69
WARD	\$105,111,117.00	0.1600%	\$168,177.79	\$70,077.58	\$35,038.79	\$273,294.16	\$245,797.05
WELLS	\$16,808,418.00	0.1030%	\$17,312.67	\$11,206.17	\$5,603.09	\$34,121.93	\$25,303.00
WILLIAMS	\$36,280,333.00	0.1520%	\$55,146.11	\$24,188.10	\$12,094.05	\$91,428.26	\$80,597.74
CITIES							\$0.00
HAZEN	\$2,891,335.00	0.2000%	\$5,782.67	\$1,927.65	\$963.83	\$8,674.15	\$8,451.55
\$1,489,327,467.00			\$1,801,552.98	\$987,427.36	\$225,088.13	\$3,014,068.47	\$2,633,025.49
Statewide Assessment			Levied by County	2/3 of one mill	1/3 county		
				66.67%	match		
					33.33%		

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TAX YEAR 2004

COUNTY ASSESSMENT VALUE AND MILLS FOR SENIOR CITIZENS

COUNTY	ASSESSED VALUE	MILLS	COUNTY LEVY	CURRENT AMOUNT	VS 2/3 AMOUNT	DIFFERENCE
ADAMS	\$6,895,361.00	0.1280%	\$8,826.06	\$4,073.50	\$4,597.14	\$523.64
BARNES	\$32,742,843.00	0.2000%	\$65,485.69	\$30,223.67	\$21,829.65	(\$8,394.02)
BENSON	\$12,363,342.00	0.1230%	\$15,206.91	\$7,018.46	\$8,242.64	\$1,224.18
BOITTINEAU	\$23,916,599.00	0.1000%	\$23,916.60	\$11,038.25	\$15,945.20	\$4,906.95
BOWMAN	\$0.00	0.0000%	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00	\$0.00
BURKE	\$8,605,058.00	0.1390%	\$11,961.03	\$5,520.39	\$5,736.99	\$216.60
BURLEIGH	\$155,691,933.00	0.1160%	\$180,602.64	\$83,353.71	\$103,799.81	\$20,446.10
CASS	\$325,152,068.00	0.1000%	\$325,152.07	\$150,067.74	\$216,778.88	\$66,711.14
CAVALIER	\$19,322,750.00	0.1450%	\$28,017.99	\$12,931.17	\$12,882.48	(\$48.69)
DICKEY	\$15,416,531.00	0.1000%	\$15,416.53	\$7,115.21	\$10,278.20	\$3,162.99
DIVIDE	\$8,944,688.00	0.1030%	\$9,352.42	\$4,316.43	\$6,056.35	\$1,739.92
DUNN	\$12,756,274.00	0.1020%	\$13,011.40	\$6,005.16	\$8,504.61	\$2,499.45
EDDY	\$6,343,325.00	0.1670%	\$10,593.35	\$4,889.16	\$4,229.09	(\$660.07)
EMMONS	\$13,554,057.00	0.0500%	\$6,777.03	\$3,127.81	\$4,518.25	\$1,390.44
FOSTER	\$12,209,627.00	0.1000%	\$12,209.63	\$5,635.12	\$8,140.16	\$2,505.04
GOLDEN VALLEY	\$5,480,994.00	0.2000%	\$10,961.99	\$5,059.30	\$3,654.18	(\$1,405.12)
GRAND FORKS	\$133,495,154.00	0.1000%	\$133,495.15	\$61,612.15	\$89,001.22	\$27,389.07
GRANT	\$7,701,621.00	0.1000%	\$7,701.62	\$3,554.54	\$5,134.67	\$1,580.13
GRIGGS	\$8,354,962.00	0.1500%	\$12,532.44	\$5,784.11	\$5,570.25	(\$213.86)
HETTINGER	\$8,865,738.00	0.1460%	\$12,943.98	\$5,974.05	\$5,910.79	(\$63.26)
KIDDER	\$9,335,383.00	0.1000%	\$9,335.38	\$4,308.57	\$6,223.90	\$1,915.33
LAMOURE	\$16,423,268.00	0.2000%	\$32,846.54	\$15,159.69	\$10,949.39	(\$4,210.30)
LOGAN	\$6,417,795.00	0.1900%	\$12,193.81	\$5,627.82	\$4,278.74	(\$1,349.08)
MCHENRY	\$20,531,190.00	0.1080%	\$22,173.69	\$10,233.84	\$13,688.14	\$3,454.30
MCINTOSH	\$9,522,123.00	0.1500%	\$14,283.18	\$6,592.13	\$6,348.40	(\$243.73)
MCLEAN	\$24,803,556.00	0.2000%	\$49,607.11	\$22,895.22	\$16,536.53	(\$6,358.69)
MORTON	\$54,819,217.00	0.2000%	\$109,638.43	\$50,601.53	\$36,547.97	(\$14,053.56)
MOUNTRAIL	\$14,689,919.00	0.1000%	\$14,689.92	\$6,779.85	\$9,793.77	\$3,013.92
NELSON	\$10,629,541.00	0.1000%	\$10,629.54	\$4,905.86	\$7,086.71	\$2,180.85
OLIVER	\$5,177,765.00	0.0790%	\$4,090.43	\$1,887.86	\$2,727.09	\$839.23
PEMBINA	\$27,964,243.00	0.1000%	\$27,964.24	\$12,906.36	\$18,643.76	\$5,737.40
PIERCE	\$13,464,634.00	0.1010%	\$13,599.28	\$6,276.49	\$8,976.87	\$2,700.38
RAMSEY	\$24,281,322.00	0.1000%	\$24,281.32	\$11,206.58	\$16,188.36	\$4,981.78
RANSOM	\$15,353,510.00	0.1090%	\$16,735.33	\$7,723.87	\$10,236.19	\$2,512.32
RENVILLE	\$9,857,077.00	0.1000%	\$9,857.08	\$4,549.35	\$6,571.71	\$2,022.36
RICHLAND	\$47,636,240.00	0.1000%	\$47,636.24	\$21,985.60	\$31,759.08	\$9,773.48
ROLETTE	\$9,608,757.00	0.1200%	\$11,530.51	\$5,321.69	\$6,406.16	\$1,084.47
SARGENT	\$13,843,543.00	0.1000%	\$13,843.54	\$6,389.22	\$9,229.49	\$2,840.27
SHERIDAN	\$6,071,241.00	0.1000%	\$6,071.24	\$2,802.07	\$4,047.70	\$1,245.63
SIOUX	\$2,057,249.00	0.1974%	\$4,060.99	\$1,874.27	\$1,371.55	(\$502.72)
SLOPE	\$5,195,511.00	0.0830%	\$4,312.27	\$1,990.27	\$2,874.99	\$884.72
STARK	\$37,735,184.00	0.1000%	\$37,735.18	\$17,415.96	\$25,158.05	\$7,742.09
STEELE	\$10,076,327.00	0.1000%	\$10,076.33	\$4,650.54	\$6,717.89	\$2,067.35
STUTSMAN	\$48,321,399.00	0.1580%	\$76,347.81	\$35,236.88	\$32,215.88	(\$3,021.00)
TOWNER	\$11,453,763.00	0.1020%	\$11,682.84	\$5,391.99	\$7,636.22	\$2,244.23
TRAILL	\$24,561,898.00	0.1010%	\$25,155.29	\$11,609.94	\$16,607.28	\$4,997.34
WALSH	\$30,591,684.00	0.1000%	\$30,591.68	\$14,119.01	\$20,395.48	\$6,276.47
WARD	\$105,111,117.00	0.1600%	\$168,177.79	\$77,619.26	\$70,077.58	(\$7,541.68)
WELLS	\$16,808,418.00	0.1030%	\$17,312.67	\$7,990.33	\$11,206.17	\$3,215.84
WILLIAMS	\$36,280,333.00	0.1520%	\$55,146.11	\$25,451.64	\$24,188.10	(\$1,263.54)
CITIES						\$0.00
HAZEN	\$2,891,335.00	0.2000%	\$5,782.67	\$2,668.88	\$1,927.65	(\$741.23)

\$1,489,327,467.00

\$1,801,552.98

\$831,472.50

\$987,427.36

\$155,954.85

Statewide Assessment

Levied by County

Disbursement

\$831,472.50

% Disbursement to County Levy

46.15310%