

**SENATE BILL NO.**

Introduced by

Senator Bakke

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for low-income student assistance grants.

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

3 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the  
4 general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$500,000, or so much  
5 of the sum as may be necessary, to the superintendent of public instruction for the purpose of  
6 providing grants to assist students from low-income families, for the biennium beginning July 1,  
7 2009, and ending June 30, 2011.

8 1. In order to increase the likelihood that the students will graduate from high school  
9 in a timely manner and enroll in and graduate from either a two-year or a four-year  
10 institution of higher education, the superintendent may provide up to five grants,  
11 each in an amount not exceeding \$100,000, to public and private organizations  
12 that provide support to students from low-income families.

13 2. For purposes of this section, "support" includes:

14 a. Tutoring in mathematics, laboratory sciences, composition, literature, and  
15 foreign languages;

16 b. Personal, financial, and academic counseling;

17 c. Mentoring;

18 d. Cultural enrichment; and

19 e. The provision of work study opportunities.