

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2381

Introduced by

Senators Horne, Grindberg, Wardner

Representatives Hawken, Kaldor, L. Meier

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for federally designated head start programs in
2 the state.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.**

- 5 1. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury,
6 not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$3,000,000, or so much of the sum as may
7 be necessary, to the department of human services for the purpose of providing
8 grants to federally designated head start programs in this state, for the biennium
9 beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011. The head start state
10 collaboration administrator shall award grants under this section based on an
11 application and criteria that include:
- 12 a. The number of low-income children and families that a program can serve;
 - 13 b. A program's design, its service area, and its accessibility to eligible children
14 and families;
 - 15 c. A program's coordination and interaction with private sector child care
16 programs; and
 - 17 d. Proposals for innovation that address identified needs among eligible children
18 and families.
- 19 2. To be eligible for a state grant under this section, each head start unit shall, to the
20 extent possible, enroll uninsured eligible students for the most appropriate local,
21 state, or federal insurance program available at no cost or reduced cost to the child
22 or the child's family.