

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1015

Page 1, line 5, after the semicolon insert "to amend and reenact sections 1 and 2 of House Bill No. 1350, as approved by the sixty-first legislative assembly, relating to the great plains applied energy technology center and an independent comprehensive commercialization study;"

Page 7, after line 19, insert:

"SECTION 19. AMENDMENT. Section 1 of House Bill No. 1350, as approved by the sixty-first legislative assembly, is amended and reenacted as follows:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$5,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of commerce for the purpose of providing a grant for construction of a great plains applied energy ~~research~~ technology center on the Bismarck state college campus, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2009, and ending June 30, 2011. The department of commerce may spend the general fund appropriation only when the department certifies to the office of management and budget that:

1. Other nonstate matching funds of three dollars for each one dollar of grant funds are available for all costs of the center, a portion of which must be from the private sector;
2. The state will be a proportionate owner in the center based on the state's contribution percentage of all costs of the center;
3. The state will not be responsible for any future operational costs, including property tax, of the center; ~~and~~
4. The center will be subject to local property tax assessments at the discretion of the local taxing authority;
5. The grant recipient is a state entity or private nonprofit entity; and
6. The department has completed an independent comprehensive commercialization study, developed a business and operational plan for the center with a clearly defined mission and objectives, and received budget section approval.

SECTION 20. AMENDMENT. Section 2 of House Bill No. 1350, as approved by the sixty-first legislative assembly, is amended and reenacted as follows:

SECTION 2. ~~REPORT~~ REPORTS TO THE BUDGET SECTION. The department of commerce shall present the independent comprehensive commercialization study and related business and operational plan for the center to the budget section for approval. The department shall also provide a report to the budget section at its first meeting after September 1, 2009, and at its first meeting after March 1, 2010, regarding the status of the construction of a great ~~plains~~ great plains applied energy ~~research~~ technology center, including the extent to which nonstate matching funds have been made available for the project."

Renumber accordingly