

Sixty-first
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1130

Introduced by

Transportation Committee

(At the request of the State Treasurer)

1 A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact subsection 2 of section 54-27-19 of the North Dakota
2 Century Code, relating to vehicle registrations for purposes of highway tax distribution fund
3 allocations.

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

5 **SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 2 of section 54-27-19 of the North Dakota
6 Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

7 2. Thirty-seven percent of such moneys must be allocated to the counties of this state
8 in proportion to the number of ~~motor~~ vehicle registrations credited to each county.
9 Each county must be credited with the certificates of title of ~~all motor~~ vehicles
10 registered by residents of such county. The state treasurer shall compute and
11 distribute the counties' share monthly after deducting the incorporated cities' share.
12 All the moneys received by the counties from the highway tax distribution fund
13 must be set aside in a separate fund called the "highway tax distribution fund" and
14 must be appropriated and applied solely for highway purposes in accordance with
15 section 11 of article X of the Constitution of North Dakota. The state treasurer shall
16 compute and distribute monthly the sums allocated to the incorporated cities within
17 each county according to the formula in this subsection on the basis of the per
18 capita population of all of the incorporated cities situated within each county as
19 determined by the last official regular or special federal census or the census taken
20 in accordance with the provisions of chapter 40-02 in case of a city incorporated
21 subsequent to such census. Provided, however, that in each county having a city
22 with a population of ten thousand or more, the amount transferred each month into
23 the county highway tax distribution fund must be the difference between the
24 amount allocated to that county pursuant to this subsection and the total amount

allocated and distributed to the incorporated cities in that county as computed according to the following formula:

- a. A statewide per capita average as determined by calculating twenty-seven percent of the amount allocated to all of the counties under this subsection divided by the total population of all of the incorporated cities in the state.
- b. The share distributed to each city in the county having a population of less than one thousand must be determined by multiplying the population of that city by the product of 1.50 times the statewide per capita average computed under subdivision a.
- c. The share distributed to each city in the county having a population of one thousand to four thousand nine hundred ninety-nine, inclusive, must be determined by multiplying the population of that city by the product of 1.25 times the statewide per capita average computed under subdivision a.
- d. The share distributed to each city in the county having a population of five thousand or more must be determined by multiplying the population of that city by the statewide per capita average for all such cities, which per capita average must be computed as follows: the total of the shares computed under subdivisions b and c for all cities in the state having a population of less than five thousand must be subtracted from the total incorporated cities' share in the state as computed under subdivision a and the balance remaining must then be divided by the total population of all cities of five thousand or more in the state.