

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1013

Page 1, remove lines 21 through 24

Page 2, replace lines 1 through 5 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$14,409,300	\$2,211,536	\$16,620,836
Accrued leave payments	0	0	0
Operating expenses	29,099,187	631,615	29,730,802
Funding pool for initiatives	0	2,750,000	2,750,000
Grants - state school aid	918,459,478	(918,459,478)	0
Integrated formula payments	0	1,809,800,000	1,809,800,000
Grants - special education contracts	16,000,000	500,000	16,500,000
Grants - transportation	48,500,000	5,000,000	53,500,000
Grants - other grants	304,609,393	(31,903,132)	272,706,261"

Page 2, replace lines 10 through 12 with:

"Total all funds	\$1,678,082,358	\$523,675,541	\$2,201,757,899
Less estimated income	<u>434,485,707</u>	<u>2,758,442</u>	<u>437,244,149</u>
Total general fund	\$1,243,596,651	\$520,917,099	\$1,764,513,750"

Page 2, replace lines 18 through 24 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$3,450,359	\$482,347	\$3,932,706
Accrued leave payments	0	0	0
Operating expenses	1,695,726	200,000	1,895,726
Grants	<u>2,252,500</u>	<u>266,500</u>	<u>2,519,000</u>
Total all funds	\$7,398,585	\$948,847	\$8,347,432
Less estimated income	<u>2,134,610</u>	<u>266,237</u>	<u>2,400,847</u>
Total general fund	\$5,263,975	\$682,610	\$5,946,585"

Page 2, remove lines 30 and 31

Page 3, replace line 1 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$5,932,638	\$1,254,447	\$7,187,085
Accrued leave payments	0	0	0
Operating expenses	1,633,911	274,883	1,908,794"

Page 3, replace lines 4 through 6 with:

"Total all funds	\$7,808,249	\$2,681,651	\$10,489,900
Less estimated income	<u>1,193,277</u>	<u>1,382,391</u>	<u>2,575,668</u>
Total general fund	\$6,614,972	\$1,299,260	\$7,914,232"

Page 3, replace lines 12 through 19 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$3,815,825	\$780,860	\$4,596,685
Accrued leave payments	0	0	0
Operating expenses	707,006	13,800	720,806
Capital assets	<u>39,500</u>	<u>3,284,900</u>	<u>3,324,400</u>

Total all funds	\$4,562,331	\$4,079,560	\$8,641,891
Less estimated income	<u>835,091</u>	<u>24,264</u>	<u>859,355</u>
Total general fund	\$3,727,240	\$4,055,296	\$7,782,536
Full-time equivalent positions	29.50	0.50	30.00"

Page 3, replace lines 24 through 26 with:

"Grand total general fund	\$1,259,202,838	\$526,954,265	\$1,786,157,103
Grand total special funds	<u>438,648,685</u>	<u>4,431,334</u>	<u>443,080,019</u>
Grand total all funds	\$1,697,851,523	\$531,385,599	\$2,229,237,122"

Page 4, after line 4, insert:

"Funding pool for initiatives	0	2,750,000
Information technology staffing analysis	0	100,000
Early childhood care and education study	0	200,000
Governing North Dakota textbook	0	20,000"

Page 4, replace lines 6 through 8 with:

"Total department of public instruction - all funds	\$22,101,716	\$3,070,000
Total department of public instruction - estimated income	<u>21,717,716</u>	<u>0</u>
Total department of public instruction - general fund	\$384,000	\$3,070,000"

Page 4, after line 18, insert:

"Remodel of west wing	0	2,762,000"
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Page 4, replace lines 21 through 26 with:

"Total school for the blind - all funds	\$70,000	\$3,302,829
Total school for the blind - estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>110,329</u>
Total school for the blind - general fund	\$70,000	\$3,192,500
Grand total - all funds	\$23,170,246	\$7,375,088
Grand total - estimated income	<u>22,612,446</u>	<u>1,112,588</u>
Grand total - general fund	\$557,800	\$6,262,500"

Page 5, remove lines 15 through 30

Page 6, remove lines 1 and 2

Page 7, line 13, replace "three" with "thirteen"

Page 7, line 15, replace "Forty-six" with "Fifty-two"

Page 7, line 17, replace "Forty-six" with "Fifty"

Page 7, line 28, replace "Forty-six" with "Fifty"

Page 8, line 4, replace "Twenty-six" with "Thirty"

Page 9, after line 2, insert:

"SECTION 11. SUPERINTENDENT - SCHOOL FOR THE DEAF - AUTHORIZATION - CONTINGENT FUNDING. The salaries and wages line item in subdivision 3 of section 1 of this Act includes \$142,242 from the general fund to provide funding for a full-time superintendent at the school for the deaf. The school for the deaf may use the funding to fill a full-time superintendent position as directed by

the superintendent of public instruction. This funding is contingent on the superintendent of public instruction certifying to the director of the office of management and budget that the position has been filled by a full-time superintendent. The office of management and budget shall prorate the amount of funding available to the school for the deaf based on the retirement date of the current superintendent of the school for the deaf.

SECTION 12. SUPERINTENDENT - SCHOOL FOR THE BLIND - AUTHORIZATION - CONTINGENT FUNDING. The salaries and wages line item in subdivision 4 of section 1 of this Act includes \$144,670 from the general fund to provide funding for a full-time superintendent at the school for the blind. In addition, a .5 full-time equivalent position is added, which is contingent on a determination made by the superintendent of public instruction that the position should be filled by a full-time superintendent. The school for the blind may use the funding to fill a full-time superintendent position as directed by the superintendent of public instruction. This funding is contingent on the superintendent of public instruction certifying to the director of the office of management and budget that the position has been filled by a full-time superintendent. The office of management and budget shall prorate the amount of funding available to the school for the blind based on the retirement date of the current superintendent of the school for the blind."

Page 9, after line 10, insert:

"SECTION 15. INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY STAFFING ANALYSIS. Subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes \$100,000 from the general fund for the superintendent of public instruction to contract with the information technology department and a private consultant to conduct an information technology staffing analysis for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015. The analysis must include a review of the department of public instruction information technology staffing duties, responsibilities, and staffing levels and must consider the feasibility and desirability of transferring additional information technology positions to the information technology department and must provide recommendations regarding the appropriate level of information technology staff for the department of public instruction."

Page 9, replace lines 15 through 21 with:

"SECTION 17. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - REIMBURSEMENT OF TITLE FUNDING DUE TO FEDERAL SEQUESTRATION. If, as a result of the federal sequestration order for fiscal year 2013, issued pursuant to section 251A of the Balanced Budget and Emergency Deficit Control Act, as amended [2 U.S.C. 901A], school districts experience a reduction in funds provided under title I, part A of the Elementary and Secondary Education Act of 1965, as amended [20 U.S.C. 6301, et seq.], it is the intent of the legislative assembly that the superintendent of public instruction introduce legislation to the sixty-fourth legislative assembly seeking state funding for school districts to offset these federal funding reductions."

Page 9, line 23, replace "\$1,500,000" with "\$1,766,500"

Page 10, line 25, replace "nine" with "ten"

Page 10, line 26, replace "thirty-three" with "ninety-two"

Page 10, line 27, replace "twelve" with "fourteen"

Page 10, line 27, replace "four" with "six"

Page 10, line 27, remove "seven"

Page 12, line 9, after "thousand" insert "five hundred"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1013 - Summary of Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Information Technology Department				
Total all funds	\$0	\$880,953	(\$880,953)	\$0
Less estimated income	0	880,953	(880,953)	0
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Department of Public Instruction				
Total all funds	\$2,194,721,295	\$2,068,395,430	\$133,362,469	\$2,201,757,899
Less estimated income	1,151,411,433	436,763,161	480,988	437,244,149
General fund	\$1,043,309,862	\$1,631,632,269	\$132,881,481	\$1,764,513,750
State Library				
Total all funds	\$8,622,432	\$7,928,807	\$418,625	\$8,347,432
Less estimated income	2,400,847	2,388,159	12,688	2,400,847
General fund	\$6,221,585	\$5,540,648	\$405,937	\$5,946,585
School for the Deaf				
Total all funds	\$10,347,658	\$10,096,929	\$392,971	\$10,489,900
Less estimated income	2,575,668	2,566,583	9,085	2,575,668
General fund	\$7,771,990	\$7,530,346	\$383,886	\$7,914,232
Vision Services - School for the Blind				
Total all funds	\$5,735,221	\$5,561,739	\$3,080,152	\$8,641,891
Less estimated income	859,355	849,784	9,571	859,355
General fund	\$4,875,866	\$4,711,955	\$3,070,581	\$7,782,536
Bill total				
Total all funds	\$2,219,426,606	\$2,092,863,858	\$136,373,264	\$2,229,237,122
Less estimated income	1,157,247,303	443,448,640	(368,621)	443,080,019
General fund	\$1,062,179,303	\$1,649,415,218	\$136,741,885	\$1,786,157,103

House Bill No. 1013 - Information Technology Department - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages		\$880,953	(\$880,953)	
Total all funds	\$0	\$880,953	(\$880,953)	\$0
Less estimated income	0	880,953	(880,953)	0
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	6.00	(6.00)	0.00

Department No. 112 - Information Technology Department - Detail of Senate Changes

	Removes Transfer of FTE Positions to the Information Technology Department¹	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages	(\$880,953)	(\$880,953)
Total all funds	(\$880,953)	(\$880,953)
Less estimated income	(880,953)	(880,953)

General fund	\$0	\$0
FTE	(6.00)	(6.00)

¹ Funding added by the House for 6 FTE positions to be transferred from the Department of Public Instruction is removed.

This amendment removes:

- A section added by the House requiring the Superintendent of Public Instruction to transfer 6 FTE information technology positions to the Information Technology Department by September 30, 2014, or request Budget Section approval for an extension of the deadline. The section also provides the department may seek Emergency Commission approval to transfer funding from the salaries and wages line item to the operating expenses line item to pay for the services provided by the Information Technology Department.
- A section added by the House to authorize 6 FTE positions and appropriate \$880,953 from special funds derived from other income to the Information Technology Department for positions to be transferred from the Department of Public Instruction.

House Bill No. 1013 - Department of Public Instruction - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$16,611,338	\$15,602,405	\$1,018,431	\$16,620,836
Operating expenses	30,149,802	29,630,802	100,000	29,730,802
Integrated formula payments	1,787,400,000	1,684,550,000	125,250,000	1,809,800,000
Grants - Special education contracts	16,500,000	16,500,000		16,500,000
Grants - Transportation	53,500,000	48,500,000	5,000,000	53,500,000
Grants - Other grants	273,410,155	270,640,155	2,066,106	272,706,261
Rapid enrollment grants	17,000,000			
Transportation efficiency	30,000	30,000		30,000
National board certification	120,000	120,000		120,000
Accrued leave payments		322,068	(322,068)	
Funding pool for initiatives		2,500,000	250,000	2,750,000
Total all funds	\$2,194,721,295	\$2,068,395,430	\$133,362,469	\$2,201,757,899
Less estimated income	1,151,411,433	436,763,161	480,988	437,244,149
General fund	\$1,043,309,862	\$1,631,632,269	\$132,881,481	\$1,764,513,750
FTE	99.75	99.75	0.00	99.75

Department No. 201 - Department of Public Instruction - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Executive Compensation Package ¹	Removes Separate Line Item for Accrued Leave Payments ²	Increases Funding Pool for Initiatives ³	Increases Funding for Passthrough Grants ⁴	Increases Funding for the Teacher Mentoring Program ⁵	Adds Funding for Pathfinders Parent Project ⁶
Salaries and wages	\$696,363	\$322,068				
Operating expenses						
Integrated formula payments						
Grants - Special education contracts						
Grants - Transportation						
Grants - Other grants				915,000	1,000,000	131,106
Rapid enrollment grants						
Transportation efficiency						
National board certification						
Accrued leave payments		(322,068)				
Funding pool for initiatives			250,000			
	\$696,363	\$0	\$250,000	\$915,000	\$1,000,000	\$131,106

Total all funds						
Less estimated income	480,988	0	0	0	0	0
General fund	\$215,375	\$0	\$250,000	\$915,000	\$1,000,000	\$131,106
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Adds Funding for Governing North Dakota Textbook ⁷	Increases Funding for Transportation Grants ⁸	Adds Funding for Study of Information Technology FTE Positions and Services ⁹	Decreases Funding Related to Isolated Schools ¹⁰	Decreases Funding Related to Home Education Supervision Factor ¹¹	Decreases Funding Related to the School District Size Weighting Factor ¹²
Salaries and wages			100,000			
Operating expenses				(1,300,000)	(515,000)	(435,000)
Integrated formula payments						
Grants - Special education contracts						
Grants - Transportation		5,000,000				
Grants - Other grants	20,000					
Rapid enrollment grants						
Transportation efficiency						
National board certification						
Accrued leave payments						
Funding pool for initiatives						
Total all funds	\$20,000	\$5,000,000	\$100,000	(\$1,300,000)	(\$515,000)	(\$435,000)
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	0	0
General fund	\$20,000	\$5,000,000	\$100,000	(\$1,300,000)	(\$515,000)	(\$435,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Decreases Funding Related to Changes in Other In-Lieu Revenue Percentages ¹³	Increases Funding Related to a Decrease in the Local Tax Contribution ¹⁴	Increases Funding Related to Changes in the Minimum Local Effort Calculation ¹⁵	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages				\$1,018,431
Operating expenses				100,000
Integrated formula payments	(2,700,000)	119,600,000	10,600,000	125,250,000
Grants - Special education contracts				
Grants - Transportation				5,000,000
Grants - Other grants				2,066,106
Rapid enrollment grants				
Transportation efficiency				
National board certification				
Accrued leave payments				(322,068)
Funding pool for initiatives				250,000
Total all funds	(\$2,700,000)	\$119,600,000	\$10,600,000	\$133,362,469
Less estimated income	0	0	0	480,988
General fund	(\$2,700,000)	\$119,600,000	\$10,600,000	\$132,881,481
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding reductions made by the House to the state employee compensation and benefits package are restored to the Governor's recommended level.

² The accrued leave payments line item added by the House is removed and the associated funding returned to line items with salaries and wages funding.

³ This amendment increases the flexible funding pool added by the House to provide one-time funding

totaling \$2,750,000 for the following items that were **not** included in the executive recommendation:

- Management information systems - Website updates.
- Safe and drug-free schools salary funding.
- Statewide accreditation system.
- Business manager training program.

Funding is also included in the pool for the following items included in the executive recommendation:

- Management information systems - STARS maintenance and development (\$719,000).
- Common core state standards (\$500,000).
- Teacher and principal evaluation systems (\$400,000).

The funding provided for the Superintendent's initiatives funding pool is offset by funding reductions in line items related to the initiatives included in the executive recommendation, for a net increase in funding of \$1,131,000 from the general fund.

⁴ This amendment increases funding in the other grants line item to restore funding increases included in the executive recommendation and removed by the House for the following passthrough grants:

- North Central Council for School Television (\$50,000) to provide a total of \$535,000, the same as the executive recommendation.
- Rural art outreach project (\$35,000) to provide a total of \$415,000, the same as the executive recommendation.
- National writing projects (\$15,000) to provide a total of \$173,000, the same as the executive recommendation.

In addition, funding for a passthrough grant for the Gearing Up for Kindergarten program removed by the House is restored to \$815,000, the same as the executive recommendation.

⁵ Funding for the teacher mentoring program removed by the House is restored to provide a total of \$2.3 million from the general fund, the same as the executive recommendation.

⁶ Funding is added for a passthrough grant to the Pathfinders Parent Project. This funding was not included in the executive recommendation.

⁷ One-time funding is added for a grant to the State Historical Society for the republication of the *Governing North Dakota* textbook. This funding was not included in the executive recommendation.

⁸ This amendment restores the increase in transportation grants included in the executive recommendation and removed by the House to provide a total of \$53.5 million from the general fund.

⁹ This amendment adds one-time funding for the Superintendent of Public Instruction to contract with the Information Technology Department and a private consultant to conduct an information technology staffing analysis.

¹⁰ Funding added by the House related to a change in the average daily membership eligibility criteria for isolated schools from 100 students to 125 students is removed. The executive recommendation did not include this change.

¹¹ Funding is reduced for savings related to a reduction in the home education supervision factor from .50 to .20. The executive recommendation did not include this change.

¹² Funding added by the House for changes in the school district size weighting factor is reduced by the Senate. The executive recommendation did not change the school district size weighting factors.

¹³ Funding is reduced for savings related to changes in the percentage of other in-lieu revenue included in the formula. The executive recommendation did not include this change.

¹⁴ Funding for integrated formula payments is increased due to a decrease in the local contribution from 70 mills to 50 mills, the same as the executive recommendation.

¹⁵ Funding for integrated formula payments is increased due to changes in the minimum local effort calculation. The executive recommendation did not include this change.

This amendment also:

- Changes the section of the bill related to the salary of the Superintendent of Public Instruction to provide 4 percent annual salary increases, the same as the executive budget. The House provided 3 percent annual increases.
- Removes two sections added by the House related to the transfer of 6 FTE positions to the Information Technology Department, including a section providing an appropriation of \$883,953 from special funds to the Information Technology Department for defraying the expenses of 6 FTE information technology positions transferred from the Department of Public Instruction.
- Removes a section added by the House related to a study of the costs and benefits of accepting federal funds and the consequences of declining federal funds.
- Removes a legislative intent section added by the House allowing school districts to participate in the Gearing Up for Kindergarten program.
- Amends a section related to the distribution of transportation grants to update reimbursement rates for the \$5 million increase restored by the Senate to the executive budget level.
- Adds a section to identify funding for an information technology staffing analysis of the Department of Public Instruction.
- Amends North Dakota Century Code Section 15.1-18.1-02 related to the national certification program to increase the payment from \$1,000 to \$1,500 effective July 1, 2015. The change recommended in the executive budget was inadvertently not changed in the bill as introduced.
- Adds a section of legislative intent that the Superintendent of Public Instruction propose legislation to the 64th Legislative Assembly to replace any reductions to federal title funds due to sequestration with state funding.

House Bill No. 1013 - State Library - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$3,932,706	\$3,705,227	\$227,479	\$3,932,706
Operating expenses	1,895,726	1895726		1,895,726
Grants	2,794,000	2,252,500	266,500	2,519,000
Accrued leave payments		75,354	(75,354)	
Total all funds	\$8,622,432	\$7,928,807	\$418,625	\$8,347,432
Less estimated income	2,400,847	2,388,159	12,688	2,400,847
General fund	\$6,221,585	\$5,540,648	\$405,937	\$5,946,585
FTE	29.75	29.75	0.00	29.75

Department No. 250 - State Library - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Executive Compensation Package ¹	Removes Separate Line Item for Accrued Leave Payments ²	Increases State Aid to Libraries ³	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages	\$152,125	\$75,354		\$227,479
Operating expenses				
Grants			266,500	266,500
Accrued leave payments		(75,354)		(75,354)
Total all funds	\$152,125	\$0	\$266,500	\$418,625
Less estimated income	12,688	0	0	12,688
General fund	\$139,437	\$0	\$266,500	\$405,937
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding reductions made by the House to the state employee compensation and benefits package are restored to the Governor's recommended level.

² The accrued leave payments line item added by the House is removed and the associated funding returned to line items with salaries and wages funding.

³ This amendment restores the increase in state aid to libraries included in the executive recommendation and removed by the House to provide a total of \$1,766,500 from the general fund.

In addition, the section related to the distribution of state aid to public libraries is amended to provide for the distribution of aid totaling \$1,766,500.

House Bill No. 1013 - School for the Deaf - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$7,044,843	\$6,675,567	\$511,518	\$7,187,085
Operating expenses	1,908,794	1,892,495	16,299	1,908,794
Capital assets	1,194,021	1,194,021		1,194,021
Grants	200,000	200,000		200,000
Accrued leave payments		134,846	(134,846)	
Total all funds	\$10,347,658	\$10,096,929	\$392,971	\$10,489,900
Less estimated income	2,575,668	2,566,583	9,085	2,575,668
General fund	\$7,771,990	\$7,530,346	\$383,886	\$7,914,232
FTE	44.61	44.61	0.00	44.61

Department No. 252 - School for the Deaf - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Executive Compensation Package ¹	Removes Separate Line Item for Accrued Leave Payments ²	Restores Funding for Professional Development ³	Adds Contingent Funding for a Full-Time Superintendent Position ⁴	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages	\$234,430	\$134,846		\$142,242	\$511,518
Operating expenses			16,299		16,299
Capital assets					
Grants					
Accrued leave payments		(134,846)			(134,846)
Total all funds	\$234,430	\$0	\$16,299	\$142,242	\$392,971
Less estimated income	9,085	0	0	0	9,085
General fund	\$225,345	\$0	\$16,299	\$142,242	\$383,886
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding reductions made by the House to the state employee compensation and benefits package are restored to the Governor's recommended level.

² The accrued leave payments line item added by the House is removed and the associated funding returned to line items with salaries and wages funding.

³ This amendment restores a funding increase for professional development included in the executive recommendation and removed by the House.

⁴ Contingent funding is added for a full-time superintendent position. The position is currently vacant and is shared with North Dakota Vision Services - School for the Blind.

In addition, this amendment adds a section to provide the School for the Deaf may use up to \$142,242 provided from the general fund, contingent on the retirement of the current superintendent, to fill a full-time superintendent position. The salary authorization is to be prorated based on the retirement date of the current superintendent. The section also provides the Superintendent of Public Instruction may determine how the superintendent position at the School for the Deaf is filled.

House Bill No. 1013 - Vision Services - School for the Blind - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$4,452,015	\$4,191,070	\$405,615	\$4,596,685
Operating expenses	720,806	720,806		720,806
Capital assets	562,400	562,400	2,762,000	3,324,400
Accrued leave payments		87,463	(87,463)	
Total all funds	\$5,735,221	\$5,561,739	\$3,080,152	\$8,641,891
Less estimated income	859,355	849,784	9,571	859,355
General fund	\$4,875,866	\$4,711,955	\$3,070,581	\$7,782,536
FTE	29.50	29.50	0.50	30.00

Department No. 253 - Vision Services - School for the Blind - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Executive Compensation Package¹	Removes Separate Line Item for Accrued Leave Payments²	Adds Contingent Funding for a Full-Time Superintendent Position³	Adds Funding to Remodel West Wing of the School Building⁴	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages	\$173,482	\$87,463	\$144,670		\$405,615
Operating expenses					
Capital assets				2,762,000	2,762,000
Accrued leave payments		(87,463)			(87,463)
Total all funds	\$173,482	\$0	\$144,670	\$2,762,000	\$3,080,152
Less estimated income	9,571	0	0	0	9,571
General fund	\$163,911	\$0	\$144,670	\$2,762,000	\$3,070,581
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.50

¹ Funding reductions made by the House to the state employee compensation and benefits package are restored to the Governor's recommended level.

² The accrued leave payments line item added by the House is removed and the associated funding returned to line items with salaries and wages funding.

³ Contingent funding and a .5 FTE position is added for a full-time superintendent position. Currently, the .5 FTE position related to the superintendent is filled by a Braille music instructor and the superintendent is shared with the School for the Deaf.

⁴ One-time funding is provided to remodel the west wing of the school building occupied by Grand Forks Public Schools.

In addition, this amendment adds a section to provide the North Dakota Vision Services - School for the Blind may use up to \$144,670 provided from the general fund, contingent on the retirement of the current superintendent, to fill a full-time superintendent position. The salary authorization is to be prorated based on the retirement date of the current superintendent. The section provides a .5 FTE superintendent position added to the School for the Blind is contingent on a determination made by the Superintendent of Public Instruction that a full-time superintendent position is required at the School for the Blind. The section also provides that the Superintendent of Public Instruction may determine how the superintendent position at the School for the Blind is filled.