

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2316

Page 1, line 1, after "A BILL" replace the remainder of the bill with "for an Act to provide for a grant program to political subdivisions for the settlement of claims; to provide an appropriation; and to provide retroactive application.

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

**SECTION 1. GRANTS FOR THE SETTLEMENT OF CLAIMS.** During the 2015-17 biennium, the office of management and budget shall administer a grant program to political subdivisions that apply for funding for the settlement of claims that are a result of this Act. Under section 32-12.1-03, the liability limit of five hundred thousand dollars for injury to three or more persons during any single occurrence does not apply to a political subdivision for an occurrence on January 5, 2015, to the extent the political subdivision settles the claims within the grant awarded under this Act. If asserted claims exceed the grant award, the political subdivision may reduce the settlement of the claims on a pro rata basis. To qualify for a grant under this section, after receiving claims, a political subdivision shall submit an application with the office of management and budget. Any claim against a political subdivision under this Act must be paid by June 30, 2017. This section does not expand a political subdivision's liability beyond the amount of a grant awarded to the political subdivision under this section.

**SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the office of management and budget for the purpose of making grants to political subdivisions under section 1 of this Act, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.

**SECTION 3. RETROACTIVE APPLICATION.** This Act applies retroactively to an event occurring on January 5, 2015."

Renumber accordingly