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Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

FIRST ENGROSSMENT with Senate Amendments ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1023

Introduced by

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Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the public employees
- 2 retirement system; to provide for a report; and to provide for a legislative management study.

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

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys from special funds from income to the public employees retirement system for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the public employees retirement system, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

9			Adjustments or	
10		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
11	Salaries and wages	\$6,652,604	\$635,260	\$7,287,864
12	Operating expenses	2,443,592	172,354	2,615,946
13	Capital assets	0	257,600	257,600
14	Contingencies	<u>250,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>
15	Total special funds	\$9,346,196	\$1,065,214	\$10,411,410
16	Full-time equivalent positions	34.50	2.00	36.50

17 SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO

SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding

19 items approved by the sixty-sixth legislative assembly for the 2019-21 biennium and the

20 one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

21	One-Time Funding Description	<u>2019-21</u>	<u>2021-23</u>
22	Information technology risk assessment	\$40,000	\$0
23	Upgrade business system software	190,000	0
24	Upgrade benefit enrollment system	0	209,000

1	Upgrade PERSLink business system	<u>0</u>	<u>257,600</u>	
2	Total special funds	\$230,000	\$466,600	
3	The 2021-23 biennium one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget			
4	for the 2023-25 biennium. The public employees retirement system shall report to the			
5	appropriations committees of the sixty-eighth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time			
6	funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.			
7	SECTION 3. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - HEALTH INSURANCE FERTILITY			
8	BENEFITS. During the 2021-22 interim, the legislative management	gement shall consider	studying the	
9	feasibility and desirability of expanding fertility benefits under	the public employees	retirement	
10	system uniform group insurance health benefits as a precurso	or under section 54-03	3-28 to	
11	mandating the fertility benefits for health insurance in the priva	ate market. The study	/ must	
12	include a public employees retirement system actuarial study	of the cost of expand	ling the	
13	fertility benefits of the state health plan and must include cons	sideration of the positi	ive and	
14	negative aspects of mandating fertility benefits for health insu	rance in the private m	narket. The	
15	legislative management shall report its findings and recomme	endations, together wi	th any	
16	legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the	e sixty-eighth legislati	ve assembly.	