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## **SENATE BILL NO. 2330**

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Senators Klein, Hogan, Meyer

Representatives Bosch, Kreidt

A BILL for an Act to amend and reenact <u>subsection 3 of section 6-09-49 and</u> sections 21-10-11 and 21-10-12 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to <u>the infrastructure revolving loan</u> fund, the legacy and budget stabilization fund advisory board, and legacy fund definitions; and to <u>repeal section 6-09-49.1 of the North Dakota Century Code</u>, relating to the legacy infrastructure loan funddeclare an emergency.

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

**SECTION 1. AMENDMENT.** Subsection 3 of section 6-09-49 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

3. In processing political subdivision loan applications under this section, the Bank shall calculate the maximum outstanding loan amount per qualified applicant. A qualified applicant under this section may have a maximum combined total of fortytwenty million dollars in outstanding loans under this section and section 6-09-49.1. The Bank shall consider the applicant's ability to repay the loan when processing the application and shall issue loans only to applicants that provide reasonable assurance of sufficient future income to repay the loan.

**SECTION 2. AMENDMENT.** Section 21-10-11 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

## 21-10-11. Legacy and budget stabilization fund advisory board.

- The legacy and budget stabilization fund advisory board is created to develop recommendations for the investment of funds in the legacy fund and the budget stabilization fund to present to the state investment board.
- 2. The goal of investment for the legacy fund is principal preservation <u>and growth</u> while maximizing total return <u>for an appropriate level of risk</u> and to provide a direct benefit to the state by investing a portion of the principal in the state. Preference must be given

1 to qualified investment firms and financial institutions with a presence in the state for 2 investment of the legacy fund. 3 3. The board shall determine the asset allocation for the investment of the principal of the 4 legacy fund including: 5 A target allocation of tensix percentseven hundred million dollars to fixed income a. 6 investments within the state, of which including: 7 Up to forty percent must be targeted one hundred fifty million dollars for 8 infrastructure loans to political subdivisions under section 6-09-49.1. The net 9 return to the legacy fund under this paragraph must be fixed at a target rate 10 of one and one-half percent; 11 (2) Up to sixty percent, with a minimum of four hundred million dollars, must-12 be designated to for the Bank of North Dakota's certificate of deposit match 13 program with an interest rate fixed at the equivalent yield of United States 14 treasury bonds having the same term, up to a maximum term of twenty 15 years; and 16 Any with any remaining amounts must be designated for other Other 17 qualified fixed income investments within the state <u>based on quidelines</u> 18 developed by the legacy and budget stabilization fund advisory board. 19 b. A target allocation of tenthree percentsix hundred million dollars to equity 20 investments in the state, of which including: 21 At least three Three percent may be targeted for investment in 22 one or more equity funds, venture capital funds, or alternative investment 23 funds with a primary strategy of investing in emerging or expanding 24 companies in the state. Equity investments under this paragraph must: 25 (a) Be managed by qualified investment firms, financial institutions, or 26 equity funds which have a strategy to invest in qualified companies 27 operating or seeking to operate in the state and which have a direct 28 connection to the state; and 29 Have a benchmark investment return equal to the five-year average (b) 30 net return for the legacy fund, excluding in-state investments-; and

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- 1 The legacy and budget stabilization fund advisory board may develop-(2) 2 guidelines Any remaining amounts may be targeted for other Other eligible 3 investments under this subdivision based on guidelines developed by the 4 legacy and budget stabilization fund advisory board. 5 4. The board consists of three members of the senate appointed by the senate majority 6 leader, three members of the house of representatives appointed by the house 7 majority leader, the president of the Bank of North Dakota or designee, the tax 8 commissioner or designee, the insurance commissioner or designee, and the state 9 treasurer or designee. The board shall select a member from the senate or house of 10 representatives to serve as chairman for no more than one consecutive year and must 11 meet at the call of the chairman. 12 5. The board shall report at least semiannually to the budget section. 13 6. Legislative members are entitled to receive compensation and expense 14 reimbursement as provided under section 54-03-20 and reimbursement for mileage as 15 provided by law for state officers. The legislative council shall pay the compensation 16 and expense reimbursement for the legislative members. 17 7. The legislative council shall provide staff services to the legacy and budget 18 stabilization fund advisory board. 19 8. The staff and consultants of the state retirement and investment office shall advise the 20 board in developing asset allocation and investment policies. 21 9. The board may develop a process to select a member of the board who is not a 22 member of the state investment board to serve on the state investment board in a 23 nonvoting capacity. 24 SECTION 3. AMENDMENT. Section 21-10-12 of the North Dakota Century Code is 25 amended and reenacted as follows: 26 21-10-12. Legacy fund definitions. 27 For the purposes of section 26 of article X of the Constitution of North Dakota:
  - "Earnings" means net income in accordance with generally accepted accounting
     principles, excluding any unrealized gains or lossesan amount equal to seven percent
     of the five-year average value of the legacy fund assets as reported by the state

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1		investment board using the value of the assets at the end of each fiscal year for the
2		five-year period ending with the most recently completed even-numbered fiscal year.
3	2.	"Principal" means all moneys in the legacy fund not included in earnings as defined
4		under subsection 1.
5	—SE(	CTION 3. REPEAL. Section 6-09-49.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.
6	SEC	CTION 4. EMERGENCY. This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.