

FIRST ENGROSSMENT**ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2022**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the commission on
 2 legal counsel for indigents; and to create and enact a new subsection to section 54-44.3-20 of
 3 the North Dakota Century Code, relating to categories of positions in the state service.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
 8 federal funds, to the commission on legal counsel for indigents for the purpose of defraying the
 9 expenses of the commission on legal counsel for indigents, for the biennium beginning July 1,
 10 2025, and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

		Adjustments or	
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
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13	Commission on legal counsel	\$23,022,372	\$2,766,753
14	for indigents		\$25,789,125
15	New and vacant FTE pool	<u>0</u>	<u>554,757</u>
16	Total all funds	\$23,022,372	\$3,321,510
17	Less other funds	<u>2,023,067</u>	<u>26,149</u>
18	Total general fund	\$20,999,305	\$3,295,361
19	Full-time equivalent positions	41.00	2.00
			43.00

20 **SECTION 2. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST.** The
 21 commission on legal counsel for indigents may not spend funds appropriated in the new and
 22 vacant FTE pool line item in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and

1 budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line item to the commission on legal
2 counsel for indigents line item in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions
3 included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

4 **SECTION 3.** A new subsection to section 54-44.3-20 of the North Dakota Century Code is
5 created and enacted as follows:

6 Attorneys employed by the commission on legal counsel for indigents.