

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1193

(Representatives Vetter, Bahl, Holle, Motschenbacher, Satrom, Christianson, McLeod, Schauer)
(Senators Barta, Cory, Meyer)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the attorney general for a peace officer and correctional officer appreciation grant program; and to provide for a legislative management report.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - ATTORNEY GENERAL - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND - PEACE OFFICER AND CORRECTIONAL OFFICER APPRECIATION GRANT PROGRAM - LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT REPORT - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the strategic investment and improvements fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$3,500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the attorney general for the purpose of a peace officer and correctional officer appreciation grant program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The attorney general shall provide grants to each city and county law enforcement agency in the state based on the proportional number of licensed peace officers and correctional officers employed by the city or county law enforcement agency compared to the total number of licensed peace officers and correctional officers employed by all city and county law enforcement agencies. Of the funding available for this program, a sum of at least \$750,000 must be granted to city and county law enforcement agencies employing ten or fewer employees working in a law enforcement capacity. Funding appropriated in this section must be used for providing retention bonuses to current law enforcement and correctional officers and providing tuition and fee payments on behalf of law enforcement trainees. During the 2025-26 interim, the attorney general shall provide a report to the legislative management regarding the use and effectiveness of grant funds, the number of grants provided, the average amount of bonuses provided by city and county law enforcement agencies and correctional facilities, and other program outcomes under this section. The appropriation in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1193.

House Vote: Yeas 77 Nays 14 Absent 3

Senate Vote: Yeas 41 Nays 5 Absent 1

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2025.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2025,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State