

items in section 1 of this Act, except the new and vacant FTE pool line item, for the information technology department as may be requested by the chief information officer as determined necessary for the development and implementation of information technology projects. The department shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

**SECTION 6. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-59-14 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**54-59-14. Information technology operating ~~account~~fund - Continuing appropriation - Report.**

1. The department shall establish a state information technology operating ~~account~~fund in the state treasury to be used, ~~in accordance with legislative appropriation,~~ for procuring and maintaining information technology and network services and for providing information technology, and network services, and central microfilm unit services to state entities and network services to users of the state network.
2. Unless exempted by law, each agency or institution provided with information technology or network services shall pay to the department the charges for services provided as determined by the department. The department shall deposit the amounts received in the information technology operating ~~account~~ or the information technology development account, as appropriate fund, which are appropriated to the department on a continuing basis for purposes provided under this section.
3. The department shall compile a report regarding the status of the information technology operating fund to be provided at each meeting of the budget section. The report must include information regarding expenditures paid from the fund for department administration, operations, and information technology projects by specific object code, the amount and category of services provided to state agencies and institutions and users of the state network from monies in the fund, and the balance remaining in the fund from the most recently completed quarter. The department shall present the mostly recently completed report to the appropriation committees of the legislative assembly each legislative session.

**SECTION 7. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-59-15 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows: