

**SB 2239 Amendment –**

**SECTION 1. A new section to chapter ~~34-05~~ 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:**

**Apprenticeship grant program.**

1. The ~~labor-commerce~~ commissioner shall administer an apprenticeship grant program to provide grants to eligible individuals enrolled in qualifying registered apprenticeship program within this state.
2. The ~~labor-commerce~~ commissioner, in collaboration with the United States department of labor and the state board for career and technical education shall:
  - a. Establish eligibility guidelines for the program, including requiring full-time enrollment, program progress, and a minimum grade point average or its equivalent; and
  - b. Award an eligible individual up to three thousand dollars within a three-year period while enrolled in an eligible program.

**SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF ~~LABOR AND HUMAN RIGHTS~~ ~~COMMERCE~~ - APPRENTICESHIP GRANT PROGRAM.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$1,100,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of ~~labor and human rights~~ ~~commerce~~ for the purpose of administering an apprenticeship grant program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.