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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

SENATE BILL NO. 2096

Introduced by

Senator Mathern

Representative M. Ruby

1 A BILL for an Act to provide ~~appropriations~~ an appropriation to the department of health and
2 human services for ~~state hospital facilities and to provide for~~ regional acute psychiatric
3 treatment and residential supportive housing services.

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

5 ~~SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - STATE HOSPITAL BUILDING RENOVATIONS. There is~~
6 ~~appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise~~
7 ~~appropriated, the sum of \$5,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the~~
8 ~~department of health and human services for the purpose of building renovation costs at the~~
9 ~~state hospital, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The~~
10 ~~department shall use the funds appropriated in this section to renovate buildings at the state~~
11 ~~hospital to primarily serve individuals with a mental illness who are under the custody of the~~
12 ~~department of corrections and rehabilitation, who are involuntarily committed to receive acute~~
13 ~~psychiatric treatment services, or who are under a court order to receive a forensic examination.~~

14 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - REGIONAL ACUTE PSYCHIATRIC TREATMENT AND**
15 **RESIDENTIAL SUPPORTIVE HOUSING SERVICES.** There is appropriated out of any moneys
16 in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of
17 ~~\$100,000,000~~ \$64,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of
18 health and human services for the purpose of providing facility and operations grants to improve
19 regional acute psychiatric treatment services and residential supportive housing, for the
20 biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. ~~The department shall establish~~

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1 ~~four acute psychiatric treatment service regions in the state.~~ The department may use the funds
2 provided in this section ~~to either construct an up to twenty-four bed acute psychiatric treatment~~
3 ~~facility in each service region or to contract with one or more private entities to provide acute~~
4 ~~psychiatric treatment and residential supportive housing services in each region~~for the purpose
5 of providing behavioral health grants to improve facilities and operations. To be eligible to
6 receive a grant under this section, a recipient must increase the number of inpatient behavioral
7 health beds as determined by the department. The beds must be for the purpose of providing
8 acute psychiatric treatment or residential supportive housing. The department shall require an
9 entity receiving a grant to operate the behavioral health facility for at least ten years and enter
10 into a contract accordingly. Facility locations must be based on options to eliminate or reduce
11 the number of referrals to the state hospital. The department shall distribute grants to ensure
12 equal acute psychiatric treatment and residential supportive housing services in each quadrant
13 of the state.