

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

**PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO
FIRST ENGROSSMENT**

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1193

Introduced by

Representatives Vetter, Bahl, Holle, Motschenbacher, Satrom, Christianson, McLeod,
Schauer

Senators Barta, Cory, Meyer

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the attorney general for a peace officer and
2 ~~correctional officer appreciation~~retention grant pilot program; and to provide for a legislative
3 management report.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - ATTORNEY GENERAL - PEACE OFFICER AND-**
6 ~~CORRECTIONAL OFFICER APPRECIATION~~RETENTION GRANT PILOT PROGRAM -
7 LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT REPORT--ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated out of
8 any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of
9 ~~\$3,500,000~~\$3,600,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the attorney general for
10 the purpose of a peace officer and ~~correctional officer appreciation~~retention grant pilot program,
11 for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The attorney general shall
12 provide grants to ~~each city and county law enforcement agency in the state based on the~~
13 ~~proportional number of licensed peace officers and correctional officers employed by the city or~~
14 ~~county law enforcement agency compared to the total number of licensed peace officers and~~
15 ~~correctional officers employed by all city and county law enforcement agencies. Of the funding~~
16 ~~available for this program, a sum of at least \$750,000 must be granted to city and county law~~
17 ~~enforcement agencies employing ten or fewer employees working in a law enforcement~~
18 ~~capacity. Funding appropriated in this section must be used for providing hiring and retention~~
19 ~~bonuses to new and current law enforcement and correctional officers and providing tuition and~~
20 ~~fee payments on behalf of law enforcement trainees. During the 2025-26 interim, the attorney~~

1 ~~general shall provide a report to the legislative management regarding the use and~~
2 ~~effectiveness of grant funds, the number of grants provided, the average amount of bonuses~~
3 ~~provided by city and county law enforcement agencies and correctional facilities, and other~~
4 ~~program outcomes under this section:~~

5 1. Counties on a reimbursement basis based on the number of sheriffs that qualify as a
6 peace officer, are licensed in good standing under chapter 12-63, and who have been
7 employed by the same county in a law enforcement capacity for at least four
8 consecutive years.

9 2. City police departments on a reimbursement basis based on the number of employees
10 that qualify as a peace officer, are licensed in good standing under chapter 12-63, and
11 who have been employed by the same police department in a law enforcement
12 capacity for at least four consecutive years. To be eligible for a grant under this
13 subsection, a police department must employ fewer than ten peace officers.

14 Any county or city police department receiving a grant under this program shall use the funds
15 only for providing each eligible peace officer a retention salary bonus of up to \$4,000 at the end
16 of each fiscal year. The attorney general shall establish an application process and eligibility
17 requirements for the program in consultation with the peace officer standards and training
18 board. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

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1748 total officers that would qualify with having 4 years of service.

1530 total without DOCR

218 DOCR

412 Sheriffs office

482 City Police

848 All other peace officers including BCI, University police & City police

Pilot Program Sheriffs & SmallTown x \$4,000/year = 3.6 million

All officers 1748 x \$1,000 = 3.5 million

1748 x \$3000 = \$10.5 million