



Aeronautics Commission
Department No. 412
2025 Senate Bill No. 2006

EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION
2025-27 BIENNIUM

Budget Summary

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Executive budget recommendation	7.00	\$475,000	\$155,652,668	\$156,127,668
Base level	7.00	475,000	31,699,878	32,174,878
Increase (decrease)	0.00	\$0	\$123,952,790	\$123,952,790
Percentage increase (decrease)	0.0%	0.0%	391.0%	385.2%

NOTE:

More detailed information on the executive budget recommendation is attached as Appendix A.

A copy of the draft appropriations bill reflecting the executive budget recommendation is attached as Appendix B.

Selected Highlights

- Adds \$86,772 for salary increases of up to 4 percent effective July 1, 2025, and 3 percent effective July 1, 2026
- Adds \$42,037 for a health insurance increase of \$250 per month (15.2 percent), from \$1,643 to \$1,893, per employee
- Adds \$3,775,000 from other funds for airport infrastructure grants
- Adds \$120 million of **one-time funding** from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) for critical airport infrastructure projects in Fargo (\$60 million), Grand Forks (\$30 million), and Dickinson (\$30 million)

Deficiency Appropriations

There are no deficiency appropriations for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

There are no significant audit findings for this agency.

Agency Fees

As reported to the Legislative Management, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-35-27, this agency has five fees. The agency did not recommend any changes to the fees.

Major Related Legislation

As of the date of this report, there is no major related legislation for this agency.

NOTE:

Please see the Fiscal Impact Report for additional information regarding bills under consideration which contain either a state revenue impact, an appropriation, or a state fiscal impact.



Aeronautics Commission - Budget No. 412
Agency Worksheet - Senate Bill No. 2006

	Executive Budget			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	7.00	\$475,000	\$31,699,878	\$32,174,878
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes				
Adds funding for cost to continue salaries			\$20,864	\$20,864
Salary increase			86,772	86,772
Health insurance increase			42,037	42,037
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool			24,489	24,489
Transfers \$3,747 from operating to salaries				0
Adds funding for information technology rate			3,628	3,628
Adjusts funding for airport infrastructure grants			3,775,000	3,775,000
Total ongoing funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$3,952,790	\$3,952,790
One-Time Funding Items				
Adds funding for critical airport infrastructure projects			\$120,000,000	\$120,000,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$120,000,000	\$120,000,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	0.00	\$0	\$123,952,790	\$123,952,790
2025-27 Total Funding	7.00	\$475,000	\$155,652,668	\$156,127,668

Federal funds included in other funds

\$1,387,000

Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level

0.0%

0.0%

12.5%

12.3%

Total changes - Percentage of base level

0.0%

0.0%

391.0%

385.2%

Other Sections in Aeronautics Commission - Budget No. 412

Section Description	Executive Budget
Airport infrastructure fund - Airport grants	Section 3 would identify \$20 million in the estimated income line item in Section 1 from the airport infrastructure fund to provide airport grants, and any unexpended funds during the 2025-27 biennium may be expended during the 2027-29 biennium.
SIIF - Generational airport projects	Section 4 would identify \$120 million in the estimated income line item in Section 1 from SIIF for generational airport projects, and any unexpended funds during the 2025-27 biennium may be expended during the 2027-29 biennium.
FTE position adjustments	Section 5 would allow the Aeronautics Commission to increase or decrease authorized FTE positions as needed, subject to the availability of funds.
Exemption - International Peace Garden Airport pavement rehabilitation project	Section 6 would provide the Aeronautics Commission an exemption to continue any unexpended 2023-25 biennium funds for the International Peace Garden Airport pavement rehabilitation project into the 2025-27 biennium.

Sixty-ninth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

SENATE BILL NO. 2006
(Governor's Recommendation)

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

A bill for an act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the North Dakota aeronautics commission.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds are provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the North Dakota aeronautics commission for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the North Dakota aeronautics commission, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
Salaries and Wages	\$ 1,789,878	\$ 177,909	\$ 1,967,787
Operating Expenses	3,285,000	(119)	3,284,881
Capital Assets	0	0	0
Grants	<u>27,100,000</u>	<u>123,775,000</u>	<u>150,875,000</u>
Total All Funds	\$32,174,878	\$123,952,790	\$156,127,668
Less Estimated Income	<u>31,699,878</u>	<u>123,952,790</u>	<u>155,652,668</u>
Total General Fund	\$ 475,000	\$0	\$ 475,000
Full-time Equivalent Positions	7.00	0.00	7.00

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET – REPORT TO THE SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-eighth legislative assembly for the 2023-25 biennium and the one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2023-25</u>	<u>2025-27</u>
Airport Grants	\$4,000,000	\$0
International Peace Garden Airport Rehabilitation	2,500,000	0
Airport generational projects	0	120,000,000
Total Other Funds	\$6,500,000	\$120,000,000

The 2025-27 biennium one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium. The aeronautics commission shall report to the appropriations committee on the use of one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 3. ESTIMATED INCOME – AIRPORT INFRASTRUCTURE FUND – AIRPORT GRANTS - EXEMPTION. The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$20,000,000 from the airport infrastructure fund for the aeronautics commission to provide grants to airports during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to this funding, and any funds not spent by June 30, 2027, must be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2027, and ending June 30, 2029, and may be expended only for providing grants to airports.

SECTION 4. ESTIMATED INCOME – STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND – AERONAUTICS COMMISSION. The estimated income line item in section 1 of this Act includes \$120,000,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund for generational airport projects during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to this funding and any funds not spent by June 30, 2027, must be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2027 and ending July 30, 2029.

SECTION 5. EXEMPTION – FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION ADJUSTMENTS. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the law, the aeronautics commission may increase or decrease authorized full-time equivalent positions as needed, subject to availability of funds, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The aeronautics commission shall report to the office of management and budget and legislative council any adjustments made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 6. EXEMPTION – UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS. The amount of \$3,750,000 appropriated from federal and other airport special funds for the purpose of the International Peace Garden airport pavement rehabilitation project in Section 2 of Chapter 6 of the 2023 Session Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and is available for the project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.