2025 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS
HB 1016

DEPARTMENT 540 - ADJUTANT GENERAL, INCLUDING THE NATIONAL GUARD AND DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES 2025-27 BASE-LEVEL BUDGET

Base Budget - Summary

	,	Base	Level
National Guard			
Salaries and wages			\$7,745,742
Operating expenses			3,214,211
Capital assets			224,046
Grants			470,692
Civil air patrol			330,642
Tuition, recruiting, and retention			3,362,235
Army guard contract			8,928,725
Army guard contract			49,586,921 1,401,147
Veterans' cemetery Reintegration program			900,634
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Total all funds			\$76,164,995
Less other funds			<u>58,308,741</u>
Total general fund			\$17,856,254
Full-time equivalent (FTE) positions			156.08
Department of Emergency Services			*
Salaries and wages			\$13,562,188
Operating expenses			6,815,567
Grants			27,790,000
Disaster costs			74,249,944
Total all funds			122,417,699
Less other funds			<u>114,662,611</u>
Total general fund			\$7,755,088
FTE positions			76.92
GRAND TOTAL - ADJUTANT GENERAL			
Grand total all funds			198,582,694
Less grand total other funds			<u>172,971,352</u>
Grand total general fund			\$25,611,342
Grand total FTE positions			233.00
Selected Base Budget Info	rmation		
	General	Other	
	Fund	Funds	Total
 Includes funding for National Guard salaries and wages for 9.00 FTE positions (\$6,008,732) and temporary salaries (\$1,734,960) 	\$6,903,469	\$842,273	\$7,745,742
 Includes funding for National Guard operating expenses, including utilities (\$1,291,000), insurance (\$504,100), supplies (\$456,352), and repairs (\$445,000) 	\$3,197,031	\$17,180	\$3,214,211
Includes funding for special assessments and payments in lieu of taxes	\$224,046	\$0	\$224,046
 Includes funding for rental payments for community owned armories 	\$470,692	\$0	\$470,692
5. Includes funding for the civil air patrol, primarily related to salaries and wages for 1.00 FTE position (\$186,086), building and equipment leases (\$80,000), and building and equipment supplies (\$38,806)	\$330,642	\$0	\$330,642
Includes funding for tuition assistance and the ND1000 recruiting program	\$3,362,235	\$0	\$3,362,235
7. Includes funding for the air guard contract, including salaries and wages for 31.38 FTE positions (\$5,452,413), utilities (\$2,878,522), and temporary salaries (\$400,000)	\$1,046,930	\$7,881,795	\$8,928,725
8. Includes funding for the army guard contract, including salaries	\$958,689	\$48,628,232	\$49,586,921

and wages for 106.70 FTE positions (\$15,650,094), repairs

(\$11,408,135), capital payments (\$5,000,000), utilities (\$4,865,000), travel and professional development (\$4,208,017), and building and vehicle supplies (\$3,170,000)			
Includes funding for salaries and wages for 5.00 FTE positions at the Veterans' Cemetery	\$461,886	\$939,261	\$1,401,147
 Includes funding for the reintegration program, primarily related to salaries and wages for 3.00 FTE positions (\$607,831) and operating expenses (\$264,478) 	\$900,634	\$0	\$900,634
11. Includes funding for Department of Emergency Services salaries and wages for 70.55 FTE positions (\$12,918,525), overtime (\$473,663), and temporary salaries (\$170,000)	\$6,000,310	\$7,561,878	\$13,562,188
12. Includes funding for Department of Emergency Services operating expenses, including information technology data processing, services, and software (\$4,919,625), professional development and travel (\$449,825), and supplies (\$375,500)	\$1,721,250	\$5,094,317	\$6,815,567
13. Includes funding for Department of Emergency Services grants, including federal funds for homeland security grants (\$16,679,000), citizen corps and community emergency response team grants (\$5,811,000), emergency management performance grants (\$4,000,000), and hazardous materials and chemicals preparedness grants (\$650,000); and special fund from the state hazardous chemicals fund for hazardous materials and chemicals preparedness grants (\$650,000)	\$0	\$27,790,000	\$27,790,000
 Includes funding for Department of Emergency Services disaster costs, including disaster grants (\$70,331,124) and salaries and wages for 6.37 FTE positions (\$1,379,894) 	\$33,528	\$74,216,416	\$74,249,944

Continuing Appropriations

National Guard emergency fund - North Dakota Century Code Section 37-01-04.1 - This fund allows the National Guard to respond to state emergencies. For the 2021-23 biennium, the fund had no revenue, no expenditures, and a fund balance of \$0 on June 30, 2023.

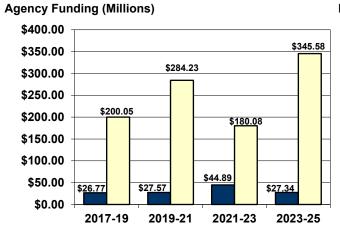
National Guard military grounds fund - Section 37-03-13 - This fund is used for collecting rental revenues to be used for purchasing military training grounds. For the 2021-23 biennium, the fund had \$355,176 of revenue, \$424,392 of expenditures, and a fund balance of \$1,860,299 on June 30, 2023.

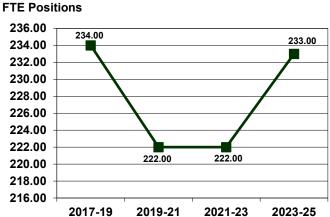
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund - Section 37-03-14 - This fund is used to support the operations of the Veterans' Cemetery. The fund receives \$5 from the issuance of each veteran's license plate, grave opening and closing fees, and private and federal funds for the operation of the Veterans' Cemetery. For the 2021-23 biennium, the fund had \$916,679 of revenue, \$1,362,874 of expenditures, and a fund balance of \$1,004,664 on June 30, 2023.

Veterans' Cemetery trust fund - Section 39-04-10.10 - This fund receives \$5 from the issuance of each veteran's license plate and donations. The interest in the fund is to be deposited in the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund for the purpose of providing funding for salaries and maintenance at the cemetery. For the 2021-23 biennium, the fund had \$206,004 of revenue, no expenditures, and a fund balance of \$673,682 on June 30, 2023.

Historical Appropriations Information

Agency Appropriations and FTE Positions





■General Fund □Other Funds

Ongoing General Fund Appropriations

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	2015-17	2017-19	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25	
Ongoing general fund appropriations Increase (decrease) from previous biennium	\$29,096,100 N/A	\$25,886,422 (\$3,209,678)	\$27,390,197 \$1,503,775	\$22,882,232 (\$4,507,965)	\$25,611,342 \$2,729,110	
Percentage increase (decrease) from previous biennium	N/A	(11.0%)	5.8%	(16.5%)	11.9%	
Cumulative percentage increase (decrease) from 2015-17 biennium	N/A	(11.0%)	(5.9%)	(21.4%)	(12.0%)	

Major Increases (Decreases) in Ongoing General Fund Appropriations

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Reduced funding for operating expenses	(\$2,307,572)
2. Increased funding for recruitment	\$100,000
3. Reduced funding for National Guard armory grants	(\$190,961)
4. Removed funding for mortuary response training	(\$191,900)
5. Reduced funding for the reintegration program	(\$716,075)

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5. Reduced funding for the reintegration program	(\$716,075)
2019-21 Biennium	
 Removed 9 FTE positions, including 4 FTE communications specialists, 1 FTE geographic information systems specialist, 1 FTE carpenter, 1 FTE security officer, and 2 FTE veterans' benefits specialists 	(\$1,017,146)
2. Increased funding for National Air Guard and Army Guard contract operating expenses	\$475,000
Reduced funding for operating expenses, including information technology, travel, utilities, repairs, miscellaneous supplies, and professional services	(\$939,727)
4. Increased funding for National Guard tuition assistance, to provide a total of \$4,617,500	\$2,000,000
2021-23 Biennium	
1. Transferred maintenance of State Radio towers to the Information Technology Department	(\$1,858,240)
2. Removed 2 FTE positions, including a facility services position and reintegration program position	(\$476,508)
3. Reduced funding for tuition assistance to provide a total of \$3,042,235	(\$1,739,837)
4. Reduced funding for the National Guard	(\$808,320)

2023-25 Biennium

1. Added 6 FTE positions for a watch center	\$1,059,332
2. Added 2 FTE positions for the Dickinson Readiness Center	\$153,997
3 Added 1 FTF position for State Radio	\$153 274

4. Adjusted funding for State Radio FTE cost to continue	\$168,286
5. Added funding for increase in armory rent	\$259,776
6. Added funding for ND1000 recruiting program	\$320,000
7. Added funding for increased information technology unification costs	\$156,000

One-Time General Fund Appropriations

	2015-17	2017-19	2019-21	2021-23	2023-25
One-time general fund appropriations	\$1,844,672	\$887,823	\$181,000	\$22,006,656	\$1,730,000

Major One-Time General Fund Appropriations

2017-19 Biennium

5. Cybersecurity grants

6. Snow removal grants

\$887,823
\$181,000
\$20,000,000
\$1,750,000
\$100,000
\$1,000,000
\$150,000
\$100,000
\$60,000

\$314,000

\$106,000



Adjutant General Department No. 540 2025 House Bill No. 1016

EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION 2025-27 BIENNIUM

Budget Summary

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Executive budget recommendation	240.00	\$34,564,892	\$270,028,840	\$304,593,732
Base level	233.00	25,611,342	172,971,352	198,582,694
Increase (decrease)	7.00	\$8,953,550	\$97,057,488	\$106,011,038
Percentage increase (decrease)	3.0%	35.0%	56.1%	53.4%

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 \$2,196,977, of which \$735,834 is from the general fund and \$1,461,143 is from other funds, for salary increases of up to 4 percent effective July 1, 2025, and 3 percent effective July 1, 2026
- Adds \$1,375,210, of which \$431,679 is from the general fund and \$943,531 is from other funds, for a health insurance premium increase of \$250 per month (15.2 percent), from \$1,643 to \$1,893, per employee
- Adds \$3,694,230, of which \$1,870,255 is from the general fund and \$1,823,975 is from other funds, to replace the 2023-25 biennium new FTE pool (\$1,346,386) and 2023-25 biennium vacant FTE pool (\$2,347,844)
- Adds \$1,541,964, of which \$1,014,342 is from the general fund and \$527,622 is from other funds, for 7 new FTE positions, including 2 next generation leader program FTE positions (\$488,590), 2 FTE watch center positions (\$435,336), 1 FTE construction coordinator position (\$257,694), 1 FTE custodial supervision position (\$180,832), and 1 FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position (\$179,512)
- Adds \$10,987,569, of which \$1,076,645 is from the general fund and \$9,910,924 is from other funds, for operating expenses and repairs
- Adds \$2 million from the disaster relief fund for emergency response funding
- Adds \$2,781,796 in federal funds for increased projected federal authority for land and buildings
- Adds \$38,894,107 in federal funds for disaster grants, to provide a total of \$107,989,908 in other funds for disaster grants
- Adds one-time funding of \$34 million from federal funds for an addition to the regional training institute at Camp Grafton
- Adds one-time funding of \$2.5 million from the general fund for the design of the Williston Readiness Center
- Adds one-time funding of \$525,000 from the general fund for a statewide radio law enforcement redundant switch
- Adds one-time funding of \$745,000 from the general fund for statewide interoperable radio network (SIRN)
 costs
- Adds one-time funding of \$1 million from the general fund for a critical infrastructure state matching fund
- Adds one-time funding of \$4.6 million from other funds for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act

Deficiency Appropriations

The executive budget recommendation includes a deficiency appropriation of \$16,474,990 from the general fund to repay Bank of North Dakota loans for the state's share of disaster costs (\$2,188,735) and law enforcement costs relating to unlawful activity associated with the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline (\$14,286,255).

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 three fees. The agency did not recommend any changes to the fees.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1073 - This bill would authorize the use of the state disaster relief fund following a declaration of a state of disaster or emergency issued by the Governor in accordance with Section 37-17.1-05.

House Bill No. 1076 - This bill would increase the payment of a death benefit to the beneficiary or next of kin of a member of the National Guard who died while serving on state active duty from \$15,000 to \$100,000.

House Bill No. 1079 - This bill would rename the divisions within the Department of Emergency Services. The Division of Homeland Security would be renamed the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and State Radio would be renamed the State Emergency Communications Center.

Senate Bill No. 2082 - This bill would authorize the Division of Homeland Security director to set fees for the state hazardous chemical fee system.

Senate Bill No. 2114 - This bill would authorize the Division of State Radio director to set State Radio system and service fees.

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.



Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Legislative Council Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

	Executive Budget				
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes					
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$226,649)	(\$852,302)	
Salary increase		735,834	1,461,143	2,196,977	
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210	
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386	
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844	
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)	
Moves reintegration program to salaries and		(, , ,	- ,	0	
operating					
Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program FTE positions	2.00	488,590		488,590	
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832	
position	1.00	33,113	33,113	100,002	
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512	
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435,336		435,336	
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at the Dickinson Readiness Center	2.00	186,618	186,616	373,234	
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position		84,384	84,384	168,768	
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator position	1.00		257,694	257,694	
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253	
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316	
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and		(124,046)	, ,	(124,046)	
property taxes		,			
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232	
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87,336		87,336	
Adds emergency response funding		,	2,000,000	2,000,000	
Adds funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796	
Adjusts funding for disaster grants		(33,401)	37,692,185	37,658,784	
Total ongoing funding changes	7.00	\$4,183,550	\$57,797,488	\$61,981,038	
One-Time Funding Items					
Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000	
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center design		\$2,500,000		2,500,000	
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch		525,000		525,000	
Adds funding for SIRN costs		495,000		495,000	
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state		1,000,000		1,000,000	
matching fund		1,300,000		.,300,000	
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade		250,000		250,000	
Adds funding for disaster response equipment		- 2,3	660,000	660,000	
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			4,600,000	4,600,000	
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Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$4,770,000	\$39,260,000	\$44,030,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	7.00	\$8,953,550	\$97,057,488	\$106,011,038
2025-27 Total Funding	240.00	\$34,564,892	\$270,028,840	\$304,593,732
Federal funds included in other funds			\$249,645,130	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	16.3%	33.4%	31.2%
Total changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	35.0%	56.1%	53.4%

Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540

Section Description	Executive Budget
FTE position adjustments	Section 3 would authorize the Adjutant General to increase or decrease authorized FTE positions subject to the availability of funds.
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund	Section 4 would appropriate any funds which are received and deposited into the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund, pursuant to Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operations of the Veterans' Cemetery for the 2025-27 biennium.
Line item transfers	Section 5 would provide authority for the Adjutant General to transfer up to \$500,000 from any line item to the operating expenses and capital assets line items.
Disaster relief fund - STORM Act program	Section 6 would identify \$3.9 million of the funding appropriated in Section 1 is from the disaster relief fund for the STORM Act program.
Disaster relief fund - Natural disaster response and recovery grants	Section 7 would identify \$2 million of the funding appropriated in Section 1 is from the disaster relief fund for natural disaster response and recovery grants.
Exemption - Dickinson Readiness Center	Section 8 would authorize the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.
Exemption - Line of communication bridge training site	Section 9 would authorize the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.
Exemption - Camp Grafton fitness facility	Section 10 would authorize the continuation of up to \$9 million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.
Exemption - Tuition, recruiting, and retention	Section 11 would authorize the continuation of unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.
Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion	Section 12 would authorize the continuation of unexpended National Guard training area and facility development trust fund appropriation authority relating to the expansion of Camp Grafton for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.
Exemption - State active-duty software and maintenance	Section 13 would authorize the continuation of unexpended State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to replacing state active-duty software and maintenance for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.
Exemption - Cybersecurity grants	Section 14 would authorize the continuation of up to \$314,000 in unexpended general fund appropriation authority relating to cybersecurity grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.

Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540

Section Description	Executive Budget
Exemption - Flood mitigation grants	Section 15 would authorize the continuation of up to \$225,000 in unexpended disaster relief fund appropriation authority relating to flood mitigation grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.
Legislative intent - Camp Grafton	Section 16 would provide legislative intent that the Adjutant General contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion and that the Adjutant General not use eminent domain for the expansion.
North Dakota military gallery	Section 17 would authorize the Adjutant General to accept private and federal funds to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery.
Emergency measure	Section 18 would provide that subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 1, relating to the next generation leader program and STORM Act funding, are declared to be an emergency measure.

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1016 (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 office of adjutant general; to provide exemptions; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds 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 office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that agency, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027, as follows:

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Subdivision 1.

	NATIONAL GUAR	D	
		Adjustments or	
	Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
Salaries and Wages	\$ 7,745,742	(\$3,325,989)	\$4,419,753
Operating Expenses	3,214,211	(2,388,560)	825,651
Capital Assets	224,046	36,275,954	36,500,000
Grants	470,692	0	470,692
Civil Air Patrol	330,642	271,231	601,873
Tuition, Recruiting, and Retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
Air Guard Contract	8,928,725	1,018,697	9,947,422
Army Guard Contract	49,586,921	15,841,746	65,428,667
Veterans' Cemetery	1,401,147	313,926	1,715,073
Reintegration Program	900,634	<u>(900,634)</u>	_0
Total All Funds	\$76,164,995	\$47,106,371	\$123,271,366
Less Estimated Income	<u>58,308,740</u>	<u>41,758,724</u>	<u>100,067,464</u>
Total General Fund	\$17,856,255	\$5,347,647	\$23,203,902

Subdivision 2.

DIVISION OF EMERGENCY SERVICES

		Adjustments or	
	Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
Salaries and Wages	\$13,562,188	\$3,303,136	\$16,865,324
Operating Expenses	6,815,567	760,774	7,576,341
Capital Assets	0	660,000	660,000
Grants	27,790,000	0	27,790,000
Disaster Costs	74,249,944	53,160,757	127,410,701
Radio Communications	<u>0</u>	<u>1,020,000</u>	<u>1,020,000</u>
Total All Funds	\$122,417,699	\$58,904,667	\$181,322,366
Less Estimated Income	<u>114,662,611</u>	<u>55,298,765</u>	<u>169,961,376</u>
Total General Fund	\$7,755,088	\$3,605,902	\$11,360,990

BILL TOTAL

		Adjustments or	
	Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
Grand Total General Fund	\$25,611,343	\$8,953,549	\$34,564,892
Grand Total Other Funds	<u>172,971,351</u>	<u>97,057,489</u>	270,028,840
Grand Total All Funds	\$198,582,694	\$106,011,038	\$304,593,732
Full-Time Equivalent Positions	233.00	7.00	240.00

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO 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 2025-27 one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

One-Time Funding Description	<u>2023-25</u>	<u>2025-27</u>
Deferred maintenance	\$1,000,000	\$ 0
Cybersecurity grant	314,000	0
Dickinson Readiness Center	8,900,000	0
STORM Act	1,000,000	4,600,000
Emergency Response Equipment	660,000	660,000
Flood mitigation grants	225,000	0
Natural disaster response & recovery grants	2,000,000	0
Hangar Purchase in Minot	60,000	0
State Radio Consoles	150,000	0
Leave Retirement Payout	275,000	0
SIRN Equipment	2,700,000	0
Camp Grafton Training Facility	9,000,000	0
Disaster grants	142,652,500	0
SIRN dual maintenance costs	0	495,000
Redundant switch	0	525,000
Critical infrastructure state match	0	1,000,000
RTI billeting addition	0	34,000,000
Williston readiness center design funding	0	2,500,000
Civil Air Patrol SIRN funding	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>
Total All Funds	\$168,936,500	\$44,030,000
Total Special Funds	<u>167,312,500</u>	<u>39,260,000</u>
Total General Fund	\$1,624,000	\$4,770,000

The 2025-27 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the 2027-29 biennium. The adjutant general shall report to the appropriations committees of the seventieth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 3. EXEMPTION – FULL-TIME EQUIVALENT POSITION ADJUSTMENTS. Notwithstanding any other provisions of law, the adjutant general may increase or decrease authorized full-time equivalent positions as needed, subject to the availability of funds, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall report to the office of management and budget and legislative council any adjustments made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds which are received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. EXEMPTION – LINE ITEM TRANSFERS. Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets line items contained in section 1 of this Act from the various other line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to

this section.

- **SECTION 6. ESTIMATED INCOME STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND.** The estimated income line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes \$3,900,000 from the state disaster relief fund for the STORM Act program.
- **SECTION 7. NATURAL DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY GRANTS.** The disaster costs line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief fund for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters.
- **SECTION 8. EXEMPTION.** Any amounts carried over of federal funds appropriated for the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center in section 12.4 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Requests #2107 and #2137 are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the Dickinson Readiness Center project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 9. EXEMPTION.** Any amounts carried over of federal funds appropriated for the line of communication bridge training site in section 12.5 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Requests #2106 and #2123 are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the line of communication bridge project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 10. EXEMPTION.** The amount of \$9,000,000 of federal state fiscal recovery funds appropriated in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Request #2108 for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the construction of the fitness facility during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 11. EXEMPTION**. The amount appropriated in the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used for tuition assistance program administration and operating costs and to provide tuition assistance, recruiting and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North Dakota national guard during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 12. EXEMPTION.** Any amounts carried over from the National Guard training area and facility development trust fund pursuant to section 12.6 and 13 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws for the expansion of Camp Grafton is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to continue forward with the expansion of Camp Grafton during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 13. EXEMPTION.** Any amounts carried over from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for pursuant to section 12.8 of chapter 48 of the 2023 special session laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used for the purpose of replacing the state active-duty software and maintenance during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 14. EXEMPTION.** The amount of \$314,000 of general funds appropriated for cybersecurity grants in section 9 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws is not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to provide grants to political subdivisions for all or a portion of the required five percent local match for cybersecurity enforcement during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- **SECTION 15. EXEMPTION.** The amount of \$225,000 of disaster relief funds appropriated for flood mitigation grants in section 7 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws is not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to provide flood mitigation grants during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

ninth legislative assembly that:

- 1. The adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of no more than one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total.
- 2. The adjutant general not use eminent domain for the expansion of camp Grafton.

SECTION 17. NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY GALLERY. The adjutant general may accept funds including private and federal, to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery during the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general, with the approval of the governor, has entered into an agreement with the state historical society for the construction of a new facility, the renovation of an existing property, and the operations and maintenance of a military gallery. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

SECTION 18. EMERGENCY. Section 1 subdivision 1, related to the next generation leader program, and section 1 subdivision 2, related to STORM Act funding, of this Act are declared to be an emergency measure.



Adjutant General Department No. 540 2025 House Bill No. 1016

REVISED EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION 2025-27 BIENNIUM

Budget Summary

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Burgum executive budget recommendation	240.00	\$34,564,892	\$270,028,840	\$304,593,732
Revisions - Increase (decrease)	0.00	(2,613,488)	31,147,855	28,534,367
Armstrong executive budget recommendation	240.00	\$31,951,404	\$301,176,695	\$333,128,099
Base level	233.00	25,611,342	172,971,352	198,582,694
Increase (decrease)	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$128,205,343	\$134,545,405
Percentage increase (decrease)	3.0%	24.8%	74.1%	67.8%

NOTE:

More detailed information on the revised executive budget recommendation is attached as an appendix.

Selected Highlights

- Adds \$1,795,880, of which \$601,493 is from the general fund and \$1,194,387 is from other funds, for salary increases of up to 3 percent effective July 1, 2025, and 3 percent effective July 1, 2026
- Adds \$1,375,210, of which \$431,679 is from the general fund and \$943,531 is from other funds, for a health insurance premium increase of \$250 per month (15.2 percent), from \$1,643 to \$1,893, per employee
- Adds \$3,694,230, of which \$1,870,255 is from the general fund and \$1,823,975 is from other funds, to replace the 2023-25 biennium new FTE pool (\$1,346,386) and 2023-25 biennium vacant FTE pool (\$2,347,844)
- Adds \$1,541,964, of which \$1,014,342 is from the general fund and \$527,622 is from other funds, for 7 new FTE positions, including 2 next generation leader program FTE positions (\$488,590), 2 FTE watch center positions (\$435,336), 1 FTE construction coordinator position (\$257,694), 1 FTE custodial supervision position (\$180,832), and 1 FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position (\$179,512)
- Adds \$10,987,569, of which \$1,076,645 is from the general fund and \$9,910,924 is from other funds, for operating expenses and repairs
- Adds \$790,853 from the general fund to increase insurance coverage on infrastructure
- Adds \$2 million from the disaster relief fund for emergency response funding
- Adds \$2,781,796 in federal funds for increased projected federal authority for land and buildings
- Adds \$28,394,107 in federal funds for disaster grants, to provide a total of \$96,489,908 in other funds for disaster grants
- Adds ongoing funding of \$1.5 million from the general fund and one-time funding of \$4.5 million from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) for a critical infrastructure state matching fund
- Adds one-time funding of \$34 million from federal funds for an addition to the regional training institute at Camp Grafton
- Adds one-time funding of \$2.5 million from SIIF for the design of the Williston Readiness Center
- Adds one-time funding of \$525,000 from SIIF for a statewide radio law enforcement redundant switch
- Adds one-time funding of \$745,000 from SIIF for statewide interoperable radio network (SIRN) costs
- Adds one-time funding of \$39.05 million, of which \$35.5 million is from the federal funds and \$3.55 million is from the disaster relief fund, for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation (STORM) Act

Deficiency Appropriations

The executive budget recommendation includes a deficiency appropriation of \$16,474,990 from the general fund to repay Bank of North Dakota loans for the state's share of disaster costs (\$2,188,735) and law enforcement costs relating to unlawful activity associated with the construction of the Dakota Access Pipeline (\$14,286,255).

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 three fees. The agency did not recommend any changes to the fees.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1073 - This bill would authorize the use of the state disaster relief fund following a declaration of a state of disaster or emergency issued by the Governor in accordance with Section 37-17.1-05.

House Bill No. 1076 - This bill would increase the payment of a death benefit to the beneficiary or next of kin of a member of the National Guard who died while serving on state active duty from \$15,000 to \$100,000.

House Bill No. 1079 - This bill would rename the divisions within the Department of Emergency Services. The Division of Homeland Security would be renamed the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and State Radio would be renamed the State Emergency Communications Center.

House Bill No. 1315 - This bill would prevent the North Dakota National Guard from being released into active duty combat unless Congress has passed an official declaration of war or explicitly called forth the North Dakota National Guard to execute the laws of the union, repel an invasion, or suppress an insurrection.

Senate Bill No. 2082 - This bill would authorize the Division of Homeland Security director to set fees for the state hazardous chemical fee system.

Senate Bill No. 2114 - This bill would authorize the Division of State Radio director to set State Radio system and service fees.

Senate Bill No. 2170 - This bill would create the army forces reserve component scholarship program to provide full tuition scholarships to eligible reserve members.

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.



Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Legislative Council Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

	Armstrong Executive Budget			
	FTE	General	Other	
	Positions	Fund	Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694
2025 27 Ongoing Funding Changes		+ ,- · · ·,- · -	¥ 11 =,51 1,55=	* : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : : :
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$226,649)	(\$852,302)
Salary increase		601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 flew FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)
Moves reintegration program to salaries and		(1,020,070)	011,501	(+17,714 <u>)</u>
operating				0
Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program	2.00	488,590		488,590
FTE positions	2.00	400,090		400,090
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832
position	1.00	30,410	30,410	100,032
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery	1.00		179,512	179,512
administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512
Adds funding for Veterans' Cemetery salaries			194,611	194,611
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435,336	194,011	435,336
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at	2.00	186,618	186,616	373,234
the Dickinson Readiness Center		100,010	100,010	373,234
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance		84,384	84,384	168,768
position		04,304	04,304	100,700
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator	1.00		257,694	257,694
position	1.00		257,094	257,094
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and		(124,046)	1,129,410	(124,046)
property taxes		(124,040)		(124,040)
Adds funding for information technology operations		509,232		509,232
and maintenance costs		303,232		303,232
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87,336		87,336
Adds emergency response funding		01,330	2,000,000	2,000,000
Adds funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796
Adjusts funding for disaster grants		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state		1,500,000	20,132,103	1,500,000
matching fund		1,000,000		1,000,000
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance		790,853		790,853
Total ongoing funding changes	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$46,225,343	\$52,565,405
One-Time Funding Items				
Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000
training institute at Camp Grafton			, - , ,	, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center			2,500,000	2,500,000
design			, = = = , = = =	, = = = , = 30
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement			525,000	525,000
redundant switch			-,	
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state			4,500,000	4,500,000
matching fund			, = = = , = = =	, = = = , = 30
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade			250,000	250,000
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000
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Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$81,980,000	\$81,980,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$128,205,343	\$134,545,405
2025-27 Total Funding	240.00	\$31,951,404	\$301,176,695	\$333,128,099
Federal funds included in other funds			\$273,716,178	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	26.7%	26.5%
Total changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	74.1%	67.8%

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 1/15/2025

To provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; and to provide an exemption.

2:29 p.m. Chairman Monson called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Monson, Vice Chairman Brandenburg, Representative Bosch, Representative Fischer, Representative Kempenich, Representative Meier, Representative Pyle

Discussion Topics:

- State Radio budget initiatives
- Homeland Security budget initiatives
- Wildland firefighting
- Civil Air Patrol budget initiatives
- ND National Guard budget initiatives
- 2:30 p.m. Brig. General Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General, Office of the Adjutant General, ND National Guard, testified in favor and submitted testimony #29174 #29175, #29176, #29177, and #29173.
- 2:33 p.m. Darin Anderson, Director, State Radio, testified in favor and continued with testimony #29174.
- 2:43 p.m. Darin Hanson, Director, Homeland Security, testified in favor and continued with testimony #29174.
- 3:03 p.m. Lt. Col. Sean Johnson, Director of Operations, ND Civil Air Patrol, testified in favor and continued with testimony #29174.
- 3:25 p.m. Brig. General Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General, Office of the Adjutant General, ND National Guard, resumed testimony #29174.
- 3:50 p.m. Chairman Monson adjourned the meeting.

Madaline Cooper, Committee Clerk By: Janae Pinks, Committee Clerk

Attachment #3

14. Provide a one-page itemized listing any changes your agency is requesting the committee to make to the executive budget recommendation.

Disaster Costs - Additional Funding for Wildland Fire Federal Declaration Received

- \$11,460,000 Total Funds
 - \$9,900,000 Federal Funds
 - \$1,560,000 Special Funds (Disaster Relief Funds)
- Increase to the Disaster Costs budget line under the Department of Emergency Services
- The agency budget was submitted prior to the wildland fire events taking place in October 2024. The federal declaration was received in December 2024, therefore we are needing to add in both federal and special fund authority for the event.
- An Emergency Clause is necessary so the agency can offer support to those in need during the current biennium.
- Reference slide 41

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS: GOVERNMENT OPS DIV.

Office of the Adjutant General

National Guard | State Radio | Homeland Security | Civil Air Patrol

Presented by Brig Gen Mitch Johnson, Darin Hanson, Darin Anderson, and Lt. Col. Sean Johnson *January 2025*

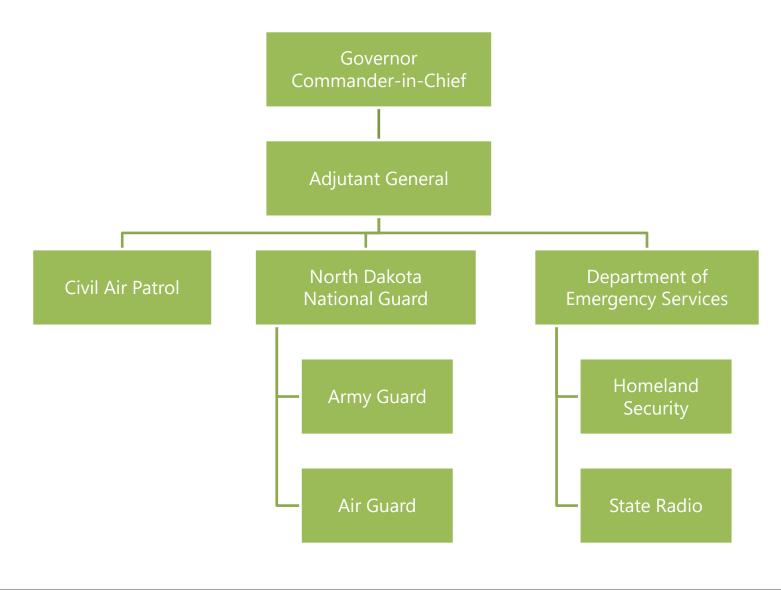


Office of The Adjutant General (OTAG)

State FTEs	233
NDNG	159
DES-HLS	40
DES-SR	33
CAP	1

NDNG Federal FTEs 1,066

State Reserve Forces4,420NDNG4,100CAP320





AGENCY MISSIONS

State Radio: Provide around-the-clock 911 emergency dispatch services that deploy federal, state, and local first responders to protect lives and property.

Homeland Security: Protect the homeland against all threats and coordinate a whole of government/society response in times of disaster or emergency.

Civil Air Patrol: Volunteers Serving America's Communities, Saving Lives, and Shaping Futures.

National Guard: Provide ready units, individuals and equipment to support our communities, state and nation.



STATE RADIO HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS





Mr. Darin Anderson

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No other State Emergency Communication Center in the Nation like us

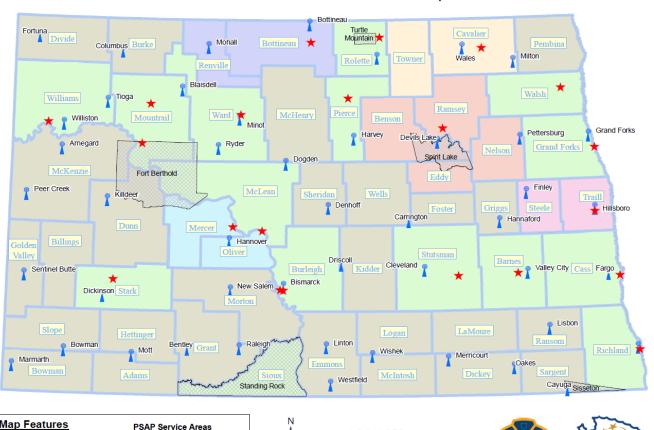
24/7/365 Operations

26 Counties, responders and State Law Enforcement (HP, G&F, DOCR, Parks & Rec LE, etc.)

26 counties equate to just under 100k people and 34.9k sq miles of land

State LE equates to 783k people & 107k miles of roads

State Radio Service Area Map











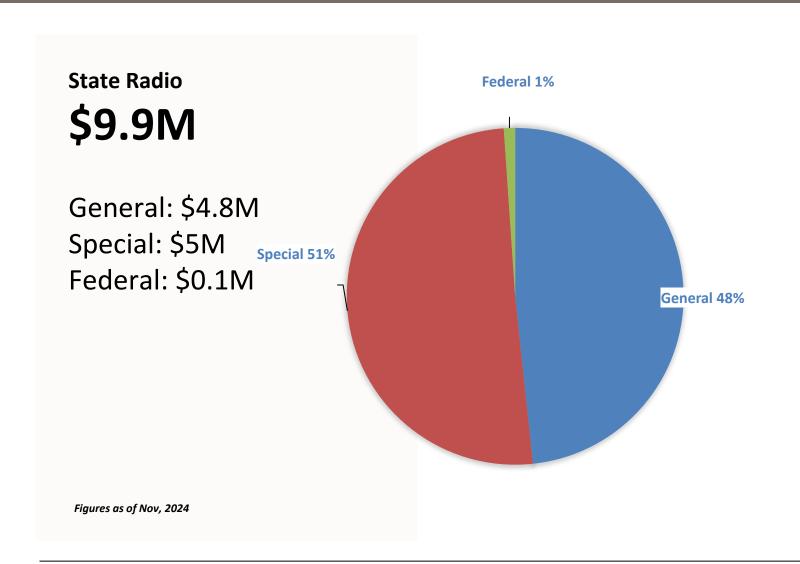
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The Law Enforcement Switch handles over 7M queries per month – that's 2.7 queries per second

17,905 average monthly State Radio calls Including average of 78 emergency calls per day

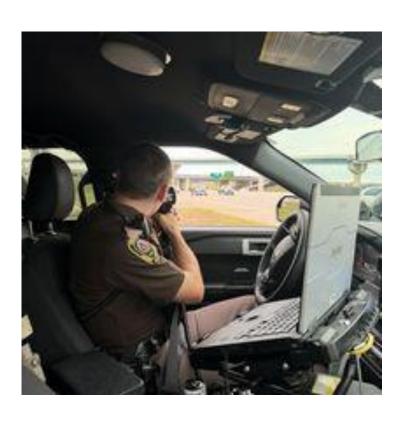
156,930 Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) Events so far this year





Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Redundant Message Switch (Law Enforcement Query System)	Add a redundant instance of the law enforcement message switch	\$525,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	This system is a "No Fail Mission" and is currently running with a single point of failure. We must ensure continuity of operations



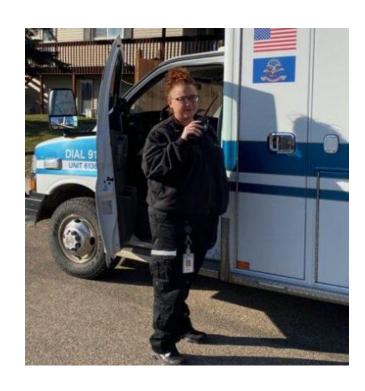




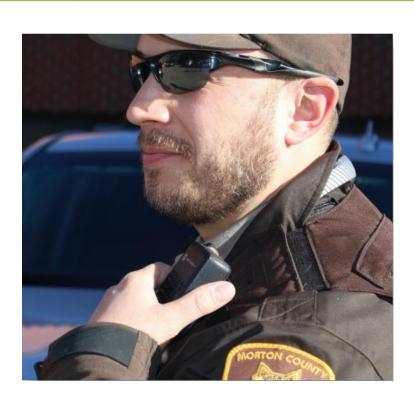




Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Statewide Interoperability Radio Network (SIRN) Costs	Procure and implement recording system compatible with new SIRN Radio system	\$495,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Comply with CC ability to record for open records and quality assurance







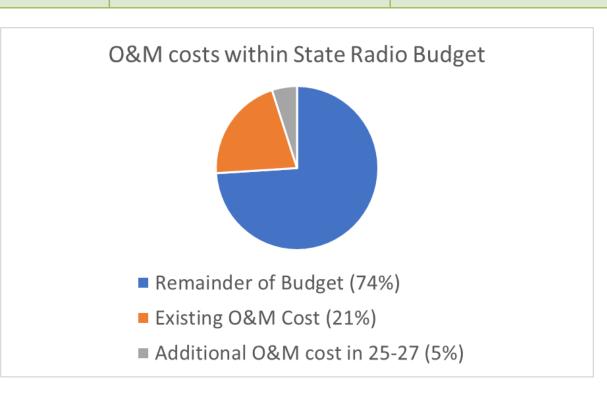




Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
NDIT O&M costs	Provide increased funding for NDIT Public Safety team operations & maintenance costs	\$509,232 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Maintain the published costs to local jurisdictions

State Radio required to set 911 fees by June 30th and provide them to 911 Counties.

NDIT O&M cost increases not reported to State Radio until August.



HOMELAND SECURITY

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS



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2023 VALUE FOR ND





Comprehensive
Preparation

Provide mission-specific training to 500+ individuals

Conduct 5+ exercises yearly

Response

Effectiveness

Participated in 24
alerting situations; 100%
locating success for the
17 events meeting
criteria

Recovery

Distribution

Distributed \$85.8M in disaster assistance

Managed 10 declared disasters

Mitigation

Matters

For every \$1 spent on mitigation, the state saves \$6.54 in recovery cost

Projects awarded in 2023 (\$128M) will save the state an estimated \$837.12M



VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA

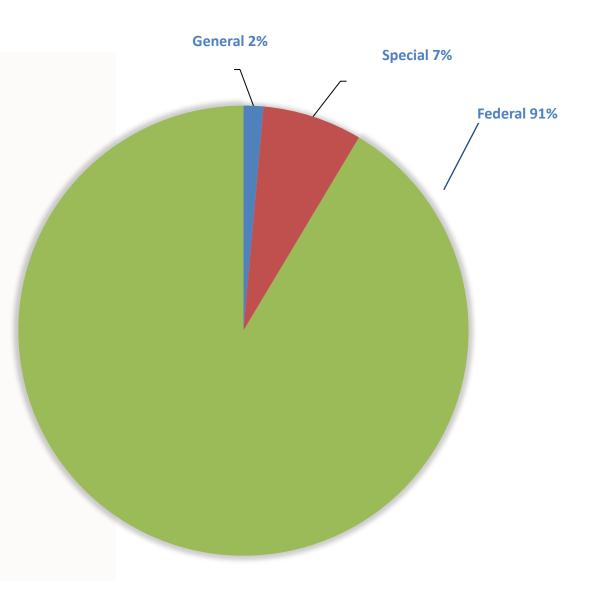


\$315.7M

General: \$4.5M

Special: \$22.6M

Federal: \$288.7M



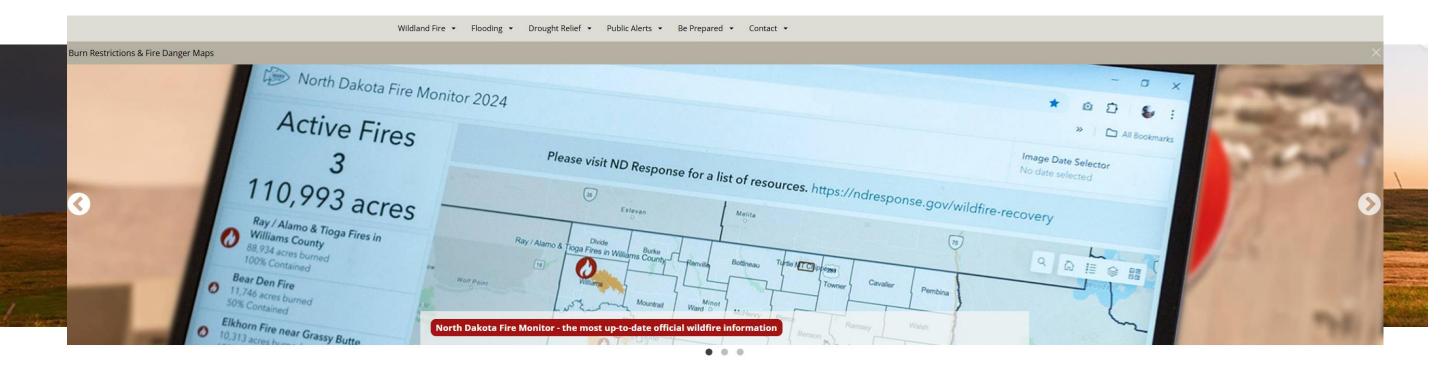
FEDERAL FUNDS SPENT THRU NOV

\$54.6M to Local Jurisdictions 75% \$11.7M to State Agencies 16% \$6.7M to DES 9%

Figures as of Nov, 2024



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
ND Response Website	Assume costs of running the website from NDIT	\$87,336 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Continue current operations, robust public alerting, and continuity of government



Welcome to ND Response

Your single source for accurate and timely information during major, pressing incidents impacting North Dakota citizens.



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Emergency Response Funding	Move this persistent one-time funding into base budget	\$2,000,000 (DRF, Ongoing Funding)	To ensure response to all disasters, especially the smaller ones when federal dollars may not be immediately available









Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Watch Center FTEs	Fund 2 additional Watch Center FTE positions	\$462,426 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Maintain 24-hour watch center operations sustainably Appropriately staff the Watch Center

















24-HOUR STAFFING

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Unfunded, borrowed Unfunded, borrowed

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Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Federal Authority Capital Assets	Authority to spend federal money, should it become available	\$660,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority)	To purchase UAS Equipment, Commercial geospatial software, interactive emergency preparedness display, and three generators











BUDGET INITIATIVES

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
STORM Act	Receive federal fund authority and authorization to spend DRF.	\$35,500,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority) \$3,550,000 (DRF, 1x Funds)	23-25 legislature approved a revolving loan fund to utilize the federal STORM Act and appropriated \$1M of DRF auth to provide for the 10% state match. The revolving loan fund allows locals to borrow funds for mitigation projects at better terms than are available in the market. The loans count as the local share for federal grant purposes. Applications far exceeded the available match in the first year alone. We aim to increase the authority available in the 25-27 biennium, adding \$35.5M of federal authority and an emergency clause to execute the grant dollars for the current and next biennium. *STORM Act is currently only funded thru 2027.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS





North Dakota Wing Info

Squadrons



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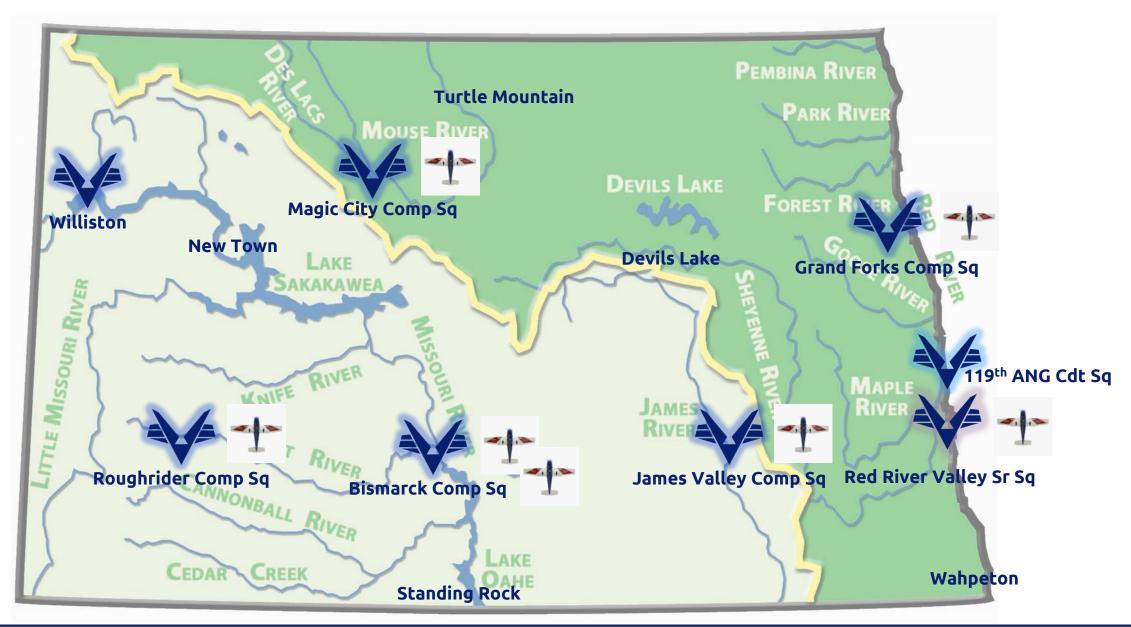


-Senior



-Composite

209 Seniors118 Cadets (ages 12-21)7 Cessna Aircraft **







Our Core Competencies



Aerospace Education

- K-12 curriculum
- STEM Education
- STEM Kits
- Classroom support
- Career exploration
- Flight training



Youth Programs

- Leadership training
- Character development
- Aviation initiatives
- Physical fitness
- Career exploration
- Special activities



Emergency Services

- Aerial imagery
- Search & Rescue
- Transport
- sUAS "drone" support
- Joint military training





BUDGET INITIATIVES

Request Action Items		Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
SIRN Upgrade	Acquire SIRN-compliant radio systems for response	\$250,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Interoperability with other state and local responders





ND NATIONAL GUARD

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS



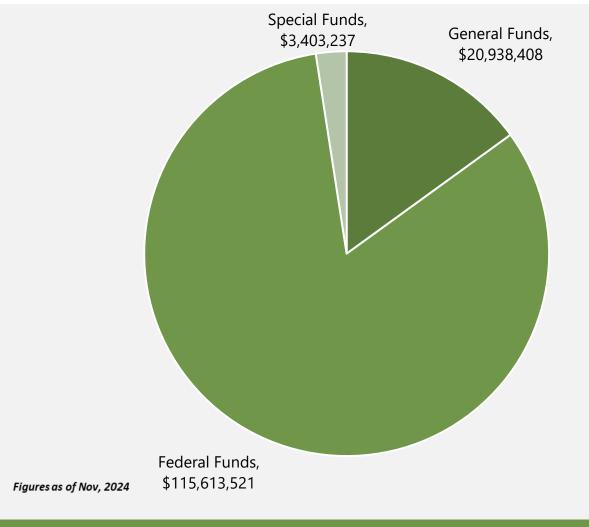
Brig Gen Mitch Johnson



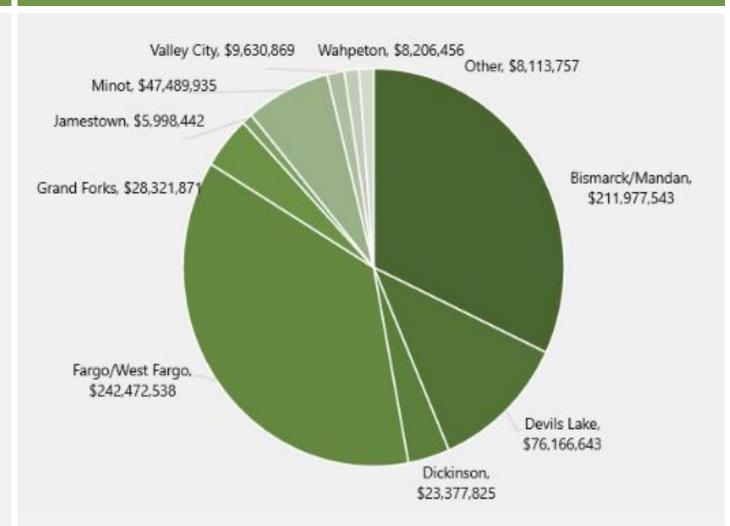


VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA

2023-25 Budget



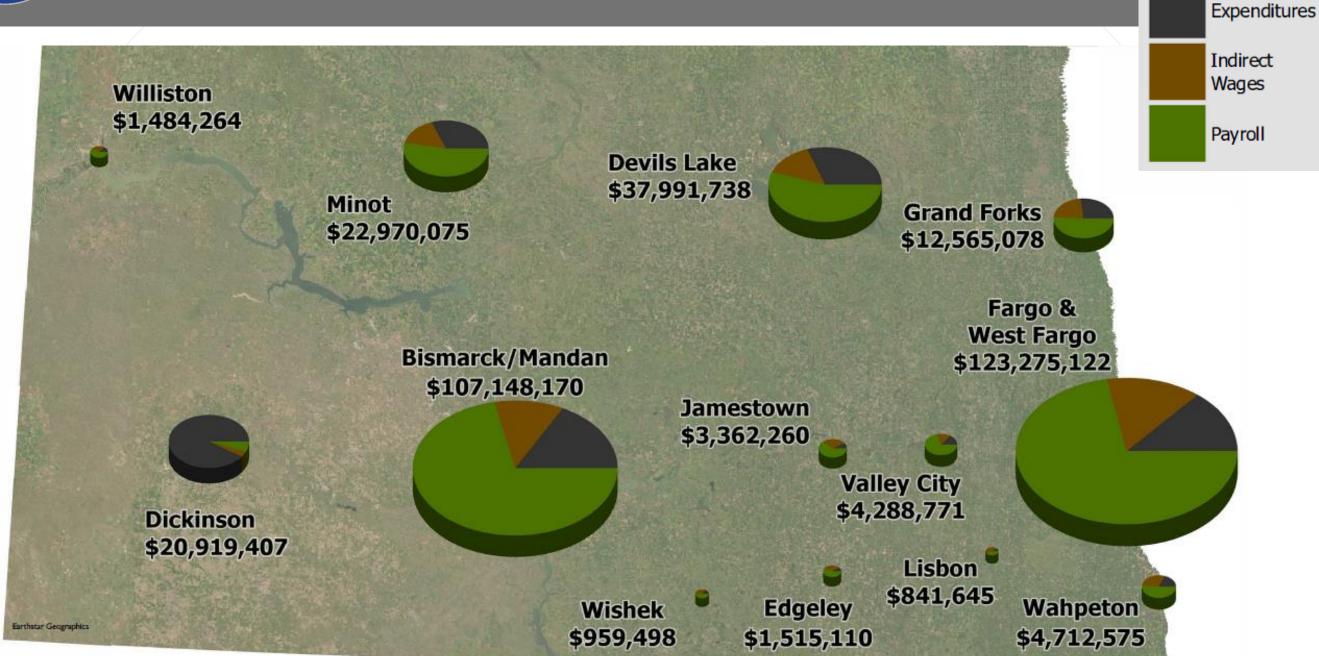
2022-23 Economic Impact



\$21M investment returns ready reserve forces for emergencies and \$661M in economic impact.



FY23 NATIONAL GUARD ECONOMIC IMPACT = \$342M

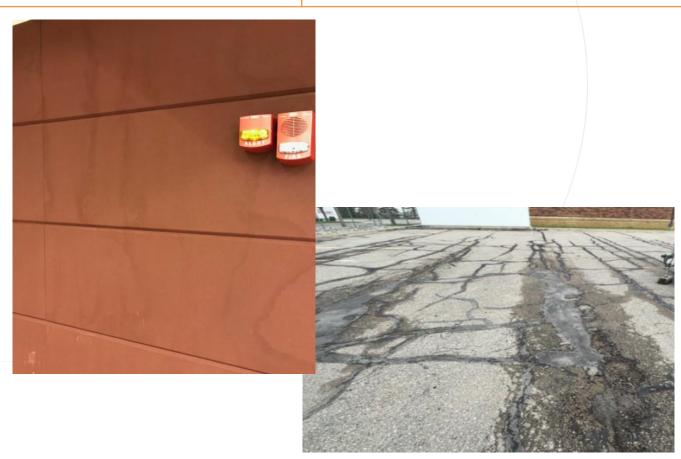




Infrastructure Maintenance and Repair

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Critical Infrastructure State Match	Increase ability to perform maintenance and repairs on facilities with state cost share.	\$6,000,000 (\$1.5M General, Ongoing Funding; \$4.5M SIIF, 1x Funds)	Extend the life span of the 330 NDNG state facilities.

- \$1,500,000 general funds in base budget
- \$4,500,000 SIIF one-time funds
- 330 buildings with state cost share
- 2.5M sq/ft, 23% state match required
- 4:1 Federal funds ROI
- The annual maintenance requirement for the State on just the 9 Readiness Center Building is \$2.6M. The annual per square foot maintenance costs for the Readiness Center's came from the Office of the Secretary of Defense Facility Sustainment Model.





Infrastructure Insurance Increase

Request	Request Action Items		Desired Outcomes
Infrastructure Insurance	Increase insurance coverage on NDNG facilities.	\$790,853 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Properly insured infrastructure in case significant damage occurs.

- 330 buildings with state cost share
- Readiness Centers are more than 50% under insured
- NDNG Infrastructure is under insured by \$280M
- Raymond J. Bohn Readiness Center (Bismarck ND) - Current Insurance Replacement Value = \$17,705,800; NDIFR Suggested Replacement Value = \$52,475,900





Regional Training Institute

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Regional Training Institute(RTI) Authority	Receive authority to use federal funds for construction of additional lodging for the RTI.	\$34,000,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority)	Sufficient lodging to support the federal mission of the RTI.



- Billeting Wing Addition
- 35% Conceptual Design is complete
- 65% Preliminary Design submitted to National Guard Bureau for review in Dec 24
- Project ready for bid by Oct 2025
- Zerr-Berg Architect and Engineer

\$34 Million Federal Funds Requiring State Authority

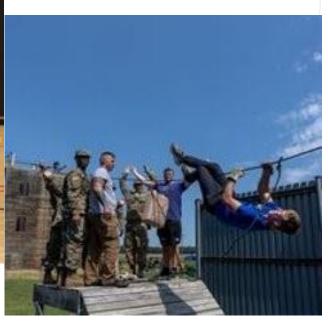


Leadership Pilot Program FTEs

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Next Generation Leadership Pilot Program with Emergency Clause	Establish a program like JROTC Program.	(2) FTEs at \$518,612 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Expose more youth to military values, culture, and history.

- Supplements Junior ROTC programs that currently exist in four communities
- Coordination with Dept of Public Inst. Center for Distance Education (CDE)
- Compliments the CDE Military Pathways distance learning program.
- Supports Choice Ready Program







Williston Armory Design Funds

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Williston Readiness Center Design Funds	Design a facility for Alpha Battery who relocated to Williston in 2023.	\$2,500,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Positioned to request funds and construct a purpose-built facility on land designated by the city.

- \$2.5 Million in design funds
- Future state request for construction, estimated \$29 Million
- Federal Construction would be 2040 at earliest
- Once built operations and maintenance is 50/50 cost share
- Alpha Battery 1-188 Air Defense Artillery
- 63 Soldiers (3 FT NG Staff)
- 35K sq/ft Readiness Center w/ 6k sq/ft vehicle storage
- 26 acres provided by the City of Williston in 2014 with estimated value of \$6M+ designed for an armory adjacent to the High School.





Construction Coordinator

federal funding authority)

(Repurpose existing FTE, adjust

Full Time Equivalents

Request	Funding Source	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Supervisor (1 New FTE)	50% General/50% Federal	\$193,192	Appropriate facility staff to support the operations and maintenance of a newly constructed readiness center.

Continuation of Funding for the 2 FTEs

Dickinson Readiness Center FTF authorized last session and funded for a 50% General/50% Federal \$373,234 (Funding Continuation for 2 FTEs) portion of the current biennium. Continuation of Funding for the FTE Camp Grafton Training Center

Fitness Facility (Funding Continuation 50% General/50% Federal \$168,768 for 1 FTE)

authorized last session and funded for a portion of the current biennium.

Convert critical positions from temporary to \$191,871 (Admin) ND Veterans Cemetery Admin & permanent to decrease turnover and 100% Special Funds Facility FTEs (2 New FTE)

\$194,611 (Facility)

increase productivity and assistance with additional duties and maintain operations. Appropriate staffing will create efficiency of 100% Federal Funds \$273,604 the office in managing all current and future construction projects.



Attachment #2

Office of the Adjutant General FTE Positions Approved by the 2023 Legislative Assembly 2023-2025 Biennium

	Approved FTE	Hire Date	Transfer from OMB Pool	Funding Appropriated	2023-25 Estimate to be Spent	Comments
1	Physical Plant Director (Dickinson Readiness Center)	niie Date	CIVID FOOT	\$ 63,863	·	This position was authorized to fill as of January 2025. The position has been advertised and ongoing recruitment efforts are taking place.
2	Maintenance Supervisor (Dickinson Readiness Center)			\$ 47,631		This position was authorized to fill as of January 2025. The position has been advertised and ongoing recruitment efforts are taking place.
3	General Trades Maint Worker (Camp Grafton Fitness Facility)			\$ 12,064		This position was authorized to fill as of May 2025.
4	Air National Guard Security Forces	7/15/2024	\$ 72,540	\$ 142,638	\$ 73,930	Position experienced a delayed hire date due to lack of funding for Security Forces. Requesting a vacant Security Forces position be converted to another area in the 2025-2027 Biennium.
5	Watch Center Manager	8/21/2023	\$ 202,339	\$ 237,290	\$ 202,078	
6	Watch Center Information Coordinator	10/2/2023	\$ 174,048	\$ 178,182	\$ 173,683	
7	Watch Center Officer #1	10/16/2023	\$ 157,745	\$ 204,630	\$ 158,967	
8	Watch Center Officer #2	10/16/2023	\$ 157,745	\$ 204,630	\$	Team member is currently on a military deployment. A temporary team member has been hired to back fill position duties.
9	Watch Center Officer #3	10/16/2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 157,871	This position was not funded by the 2023 Legislative Assembly.
10	Watch Center Officer #4	8/3/2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 188,437	This position was not funded by the 2023 Legislative Assembly.
11	State Radio Training & Operations Manager	8/1/2023	\$ 217,182	\$ 255,456	\$ 219,342	
		Totals	\$ 981,599	\$ 1,346,384	\$ 1,247,527	

Attachment #1

OUTLINE FOR AGENCY BUDGET PRESENTATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

- 1. Explain the purpose of the agency and its various divisions/programs Cite the North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) provisions and attach an organizational chart.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 1-2 for the purpose of the agency and its various divisions/programs.
 - **b)** Organization Chart provided in slides on January 15th, 2025 (slide 2)
 - c) Title 37 Military

Major responsibilities include:

- 1. Train and respond to domestic emergencies; natural and man-made disasters and emergencies.
- Train and respond to overseas combat and humanitarian missions
- 3. Perform counterdrug operations with local law enforcement
- d) NDCC 37-17.1-02 Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are to:

- 1. Reduce vulnerability of people and communities of this state to damage, injury, and loss of life and property resulting from natural or manmade disasters or emergencies, threats to homeland security, or hostile military or paramilitary action.
- 2. Provide a setting conducive to the rapid and orderly start of restoration and rehabilitation of persons and property affected by disasters or emergencies.
- 3. Clarify the roles of the governor, state agencies, and local governments in prevention of, in mitigation of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from disasters or emergencies.
- 4. Authorize and provide for coordination of emergency management activities by agencies and officers of this state, and similar state-local, interstate, federal-state, and foreign activities in which the state and its political subdivisions may participate.
- 5. Provide for a statewide emergency management system embodying all aspects of prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery and incorporating the principles of the national incident management system and its incident command system, as well as other applicable federal mandates.
- 2. Report any audit findings included in the most recent audit and action taken to address each finding.
 - a) There were no audit findings identified in the most recent audit (Agency Audit for the two-year period ending June 30, 2022).
- 3. Discuss current biennium accomplishments and challenges and next biennium goals and plans.
 - a) Reference written testimony.
- 4. Compare the agency's request/recommendation totals, including full-time equivalent (FTE) positions, for the next biennium compared to the current biennium.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 5 13.
 - b) FTEs The agency has received seven additional FTEs in the executive recommendation. Details of the FTE requests are outlined in #7 below, and also within the written testimony and PowerPoint slides provided to the committee.
- 5. Discuss any new positions approved for your agency for the 2023-25 biennium by the 2023 Legislative Assembly, the timing of filling the positions, amounts transferred from the OMB pool for the filled positions, and funding appropriated and the amount estimated to be spent for each position for the 2023-25 biennium.
 - 1. Reference Attachment #2

6. Discuss employee turnover and the number of vacant positions during the 2023-25 biennium to date, the amount of savings relating to the vacant positions and employee turnover to date compared to the vacant position savings removed from your agency's budget by the 2023 Legislative Assembly, the amount of vacant position saving spent for other purposes, and any amounts transferred or anticipated to be transferred from the OMB pool.

As of December 1, 2024 the agency had 14 vacant positions. As of the beginning of January 2025, four positions were filled, two positions were advertised, one position was pending advertisement, two positions were pending interviews and the remaining five positions are being analyzed by the agency. The agency evaluates each vacant position and works to find the best possible solution to meet organizational needs.

Each quarter the agency submits information related to vacancy savings per the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) request, which is then reported to the Budget Section. The last report submitted to OMB was for vacancies for the time period July 2023 – October 2024. At that time, the agency estimated \$1,740,246 of vacancy savings of which \$484,909 had been used for various things such as accrued leave payouts, salary increases, bonuses, location pay, reclassifications, additional temporary salaries, overtime and also funding for two watch center positions the agency did not receive funding for during the sixty-eighth legislative session.

As of January 2025, all available funds have been requested from the OMB pool. The funding that was removed from our agency appropriation does <u>not</u> cover all of the projected funds needed for the new and vacant positions. The agency received nine funded FTE positions as the start of the 2023-25 biennium. Two of the new positions had a delayed authorized start date of January 2025 and one position had a delayed authorized start date of May 2025, however there are no more funds available in the pool to request for these positions. The other portion of the pool relates to vacant positions as of July 1, 2023. The agency had 19 vacant positions as of this date. Of those 19 vacant positions, we were able to request full funding for 10 positions and partial funding for two other positions before all of the funding in the pool was exhausted. The FTE pool was not an ideal situation for our agency and the additional funding is necessary to operate and ensure our biennial needs are met.

The agency has salary dollars appropriated throughout many of our budget lines. When the FTE pool reductions were made, we experienced reductions in multiple budget lines and relying on other vacant positions to help offset this reduction does not work for us. As an example, the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) line has one FTE position. The team member who is employed under this line has been with the state for over 12 years and we are not anticipating any turnover. This budget line saw a reduction of \$7,857 due to the funding pool. Since the agency has requested all available funds from the pool, it is uncertain if we will be able to request any funding after March 1, 2025 per SB 2015 to offset this reduction. The reduction of \$7,857 is very significant for this program area. If CAP is forced to reduce operations, it can equate to roughly 50 hours or more of flight proficiency training or four training exercises which synchronize air-ground capabilities as examples. In either case the impact to readiness can be significant.

- 7. Explain the funding included in each program/line item either in total or by division depending on the size of the agency as follows:
 - a) Amounts included in the base budget and their purpose and use; and Reference written testimony.

b) Amounts included in the request/recommendation and justification for the change from the base level.

Discuss changes relating to:

- 1) Salaries & Wages; Reference written testimony pages 6 & 10.
- 2) Operating expenses; Reference written testimony pages 6 & 10 12.
- 3) Capital assets; Reference written testimony pages 7 & 12.
- **4) Grants;** Reference written testimony pages 7 and 12.
- **5)** Any special line items; Reference written testimony pages 7 10 and 12 13.
- **Estimated income Special funds;** Reference written testimony.
- 7) Estimated income Federal funds; Reference written testimony.
- **8) General fund; and** Reference written testimony.
- 9) FTE 7 additional FTE requests
 - 1. (2) Next Generation Leader Program
 - 2. (1) Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Supervisor
 - 3. (1) Veterans Cemetery Admin
 - 4. (1) Veterans Cemetery Facility
 - 5. (2) Watch Center Officers
- 8. Discuss the purpose and use of any one-time funding items for the current biennium.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 3 5.
- 9. Identify and justify the need for any one-time funding being requested.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 5 13 and slides 7 30.
- 10. Discuss any fees the agency charges, the appropriateness of the fee amount, fee collections that are deposited into the general fund or a special fund, and any anticipated changes from 2023 legislative session estimates during the 2023-25 biennium and estimated changes for the 2025-27 biennium.
 - a) State Radio Communications Fund Following NDCC 37-17.3-09, the director establishes appropriate fees for access to the state radio system and North Dakota law enforcement telecommunications systems (LETS) and other such systems that may be employed that enhance public safety. The director shall announce any fee increases a minimum of one year before the effective date, and as of July 1, 2025 the 911 fees will see an increase of \$0.20 per line per month. In reference to the LETS fees, SB 2114 proposes to remove the flat fees identified in NDCC and establish the fees to be based on a percentage of the fee established by the director. The fees would continue to be charged on a per terminal basis, and be dependent on the county's population. Additional detail regarding SB 2114 is provided in question 13.b below.
 - b) State Hazardous Chemical Fund This special fund consists of revenue collected from the state hazardous chemical fee system. SB 2082 proposes changes to this fund that would allow the director of the homeland security division to set appropriate fees for the state hazardous chemical fee system. The current fees were established in 1991 and the agency feels changes are necessary to keep up with rising inflationary costs and increased demands on operations. NDCC 37-17.1-07.1, Subsection 2.d(2) currently identifies a \$25.00 fee. The proposed changes would remove the \$25.00 fee and replaces it with the fee to be levied on a per chemical basis, with a maximum fee for a facility to be \$1,250.00. Any fee increases shall be announced a minimum of one year before the effective date and the director of homeland security will take into account any economic conditions, general economy and availability of funds appropriated by the legislature to offset the costs of administering the program when setting the fees. One-half of the regular fees collected from the state's hazardous chemical fee system are transferred to the county hazardous chemicals preparedness and response account.

- 11. Identify any federal state fiscal relief funds (SFRF) remaining to be spent by your agency by December 2026. Provide the amount, the purpose, and a timeline of anticipated expenditures.
 - a) The agency received \$8,900,000 of SFRF for the Dickinson Readiness Center. The SFRF represents a small portion of the overall funding for the project and as of November 2024, approximately \$6,000,000 of the funds have been expended. The project has a completion date of September 2025 and the remainder of the funds will be executed.
 - b) The agency received \$9,000,000 of SFRF for the Camp Grafton Fitness Facility. As of November 2024, approximately \$3,900,000 has been expended. The project has a completion date of February 2026 and the remainder of the funds will be executed.
 - c) The agency received \$2,700,000 of SFRF for the purchase of Statewide Interoperable Radio Network Equipment to be utilized by ND National Guard units to train and respond to statewide emergencies. Of the total funding received \$2,695,757 will be expended for the purchase of 328 radios and one console. The remaining funds were returned to the Office of Management and Budget for reallocation.
 - **d)** The agency received \$450,000 for the purpose of replacing the state active duty software and on-going maintenance costs. Approximately \$322,000 of the funds have been expended, but the remainder of the funds have been obligated. The funds will be executed prior to the December 2026 deadline for ongoing maintenance costs.
- 12. Discuss the need for any other sections to be added to the appropriation bill.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 13 15.
- 13. Discuss any other bills being considered by the Legislative Assembly and their potential budgetary impact on the agency.
 - a) SB 2082 This bill proposes changes that would allow the director of the homeland security division to set appropriate fees for the state hazardous chemical fee system, with a maximum fee for a facility to be \$1,250.00. Any fee increase shall be announced a minimum of one year before the effective date. The fiscal impacts of this bill are estimated to provide additional revenue of \$582,300 in the 2025-27 biennium. Per NDCC, the division transfers one-half of the regular fees collected to the county hazardous chemicals preparedness and response account, and the other half are used to help offset internal salary and operating costs.
 - b) SB 2114 This bill proposes to remove the flat fees identified in NDCC relating to the state radio system and service fees and instead establishes the fees are to be based on a percentage of the fee established by the director. The fees will still be based on a per terminal basis and are structured on a tiered system based on county population. The 2025-27 fee has been established and the cost per terminal will be \$270.66. This fee is a reduced fee from the current 2023-25 fee of \$402.53 due to a reduction in operating costs. Taking into account the new fee structure, the division is projecting to see reduced revenue of approximately \$32,800. Using the established fees for the 2025-27 biennium, the per terminal fees would be impacted as follows:
 - **1)** \$40.00 vs \$40.60
 - **2)** \$80.00 vs \$81.20
 - **3)** \$120.00 vs \$121.80
 - **4)** \$160.00 vs \$162.40
 - **5)** \$200.00 vs \$203.00
 - c) HB 1079 This bill relates to the renaming of divisions within the department of emergency services. The Homeland Security division would be renamed to Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and the State Radio division would be renamed to Emergency Communications Center. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.

- **d)** HB 1073 This bill relates to disaster or emergency response and recovery costs, providing authority to spend available funds from the state disaster relief fund. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- e) HB 1075 This bill relates to criminal history record checks by the department of emergency services and would authorize the office of the adjutant general to complete background checks for a final applicant for a job opening or current employee working with the office of the adjutant general to include the department of emergency services. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- f) HB 1076 This bill relates to the payment of a death benefit to the beneficiary of a member of the national guard who died serving on state active duty. The current chapter authorizes the payment of a death benefit to not exceed \$15,000, and this bill would increase the amount to not exceed \$100,000. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency as fortunately this benefit has not been executed in the past. The agency hopes to continue that trend into the future, but increasing the benefit amount aligns the state benefit with the federal benefit amount.
- g) HB 1078 This bill relates to the reimbursement of certain medical expenses for North Dakota national guard members. This bill would provide protections to Service Members on a State Active Duty (SAD) status to ensure they are protected if they become injured or ill on status, but symptoms or discomfort does not become present until they are off of a SAD status. This bill removes the language "when such treatment occurred while on state active duty", and provides greater benefit to the Service Members should they become ill after a state active duty event occurs. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- h) SB 2130 This bill relates to the prequalification, selection, and contracting for architect, engineer, construction management, and land surveying services for the Office of the Adjutant General. This bill would create a section of code within NDCC Chapter 37 where the adjutant general, or their designee, may prequalify, select, and contract for consultants in the areas of architecture, engineering, construction management, land surveying, and related matters, which will aid in expedition of the many projects the agency is tasked with completing throughout the biennium. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- 14. Provide a one-page itemized listing any changes your agency is requesting the committee to make to the executive recommendation.
 - a) Reference Attachment #3.
- 15. Provide additional information as necessary.

TESTIMONY OF BRIGADIER GENERAL MITCHELL R. JOHNSON THE ADJUTANT GENERAL BEFORE THE 69th LEGISLATIVE SESSION HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE JANUARY 15, 2025 IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

Chairman Monson, members of the Government Operations Division, my name is Mitch Johnson, the Adjutant General of the National Guard and the Director of Emergency Services for the state of North Dakota. I am here today to testify in support of the Governor's executive recommendation and address House Bill 1016.

The dedicated members of the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG), North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDES), and Civil Air Patrol (CAP) consistently exemplify exceptional commitment, resilience, and selflessness as they remain ready to serve and safeguard the people of North Dakota whenever duty calls. Additionally, the National Guard is prepared to deploy as a powerful operational force to defend the homeland and to fulfill its mission to prevail in America's conflicts.

Additionally, per the chairman's request from December 19, 2024, please find attached responses to our written testimony and presentation. I will be providing additional information on these topics throughout my testimony.

- 1. Direct responses to all of the information requested by the Chairman. (Attachment #1)
- 2. Responses to question #5, FTE positions approved by the 2023 Legislative Assembly (Attachment #2)
- 3. A one-page itemized listing of the changes our agency is requesting the committee to make to the executive recommendation. (Attachment #3)

Role of the National Guard and Emergency Services

The world is currently in a state of sustained competition that has caused our nation to place a greater reliance on the National Guard and Emergency Services. Since 9/11 our National Guard has evolved from a strategic "cold war" reserve into an operational force expected to be more ready than ever before. It is our responsibility to be a force that is lethal, adaptive, and resilient. Defending our nation, fighting and winning America's wars are our primary mission, so we must be agile enough to rapidly pivot and provide critical resources in defense of the homeland and in support of our communities and state during times of crisis. The Department of Emergency Services must remain vigilant, adaptable, and fully prepared to address a wide range of threats, from natural disasters to the actions of both state and non-state actors. Our experiences over the past 15 years – responding to floods, wildfires, droughts, civil unrest, and a global pandemic – underscore the critical importance of building and maintaining a high level of readiness. This ongoing commitment ensures that we can protect our communities swiftly and effectively, whatever the challenge.

State of the National Guard

As an organization, we continuously train to meet the demands of a dynamic and competitive global environment. The NDNG lives by the motto "Always Ready, Always There," a commitment we uphold across the state and whenever our Soldiers and Airmen are called to serve worldwide. As threats to the homeland and abroad continue to evolve, so do the challenges we face. To remain fully prepared to support our state and communities – and to strengthen our capabilities against adversaries globally – we must modernize and enhance our readiness and effectiveness.

State of the Department of Emergency Services

The North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDES) consists of the Division of Homeland Security and the Division of State Radio. NDDES provides 24/7 emergency communications and resource coordination with more than 50 lead and support agencies, private enterprise, and voluntary organizations to assist local and tribal jurisdictions in disaster and emergency response activities.

The Division of Homeland Security oversees federal disaster recovery programs and a range of other federal grant initiatives. During the current biennium, the division continued to develop and implement a 24/7 all-hazard, whole of government Watch Center to continually scan, assess and initiate early response to public safety emergencies. Additionally, the Division manages the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC), coordinating statewide responses to emergencies and disasters as specified in the State Emergency Operations Plan (SEOP). Acting as a bridge between federal, local, tribal, private, and volunteer agencies, the Division facilitates resource coordination, gathers damage assessment data, monitors situational developments, and evaluates the need for potential state and federal declarations and assistance requests. The Division also provides administrative support for the North Dakota Civil Air Patrol (CAP), which leads civilian search and rescue operations in North Dakota. CAP assists with information gathering, reconnaissance during disasters, and emergency transport, with members trained to FEMA emergency response standards. This program operates with one Full Time Equivalent (FTE) and has a budget allocation of \$390,571.

The State Radio Communications System has over 4,000 users representing 310 agencies of the local, state, and federal government. The Division of State Radio coordinates 9-1-1 services as well as emergency medical, fire, and law enforcement response for 26 North Dakota counties. State Radio serves as the primary or secondary backup for 12 of the 21 public safety answering points (PSAP's) throughout the state, is the primary dispatch center for the N.D. Highway Patrol, the Game and Fish Department and various other state and federal agencies, and also responds to calls for emergency assistance across the state. The Division of State Radio manages the statewide law enforcement query system (NLETs message switch) for all law enforcement and PSAP's statewide. Statewide communication services ensure necessary resources are dispatched for emergency response.

Explanation of 2023-25 Budget

General Funds:

The requirement of general funds for the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG) and the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDES) for the 2023-25 biennium has been on track as projected. We anticipate spending all general funds. We are requesting carryover

authority for the NDNG Tuition, Enlistment, and Compensation budget line, and the remaining funds appropriated for the cybersecurity grants, which I will explain more later in my testimony.

Federal Funds:

Approximately 85-90% of our funding is provided through federal cooperative agreements and federal grants. This biennium, the NDDES estimates approximately \$289,000,000 in federal funds, of which \$254,000,000 are FEMA grant funds and \$35,000,000 are Homeland Security grant funds. At the end of November 2024 approximately \$69,000,000 has been dispersed to counties, cities, tribal governments, emergency management entities, and first responder organizations. Federal funding received has mostly been expended to support disaster recovery efforts resulting from 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 presidential declared disasters. Funds have also been expended to improve state, county, and tribal mitigation and preparedness planning, law enforcement planning, intelligence analysis activities, interoperable communications, and supporting regional response capabilities. The NDNG has received \$115,600,000 in the current biennium to support the Air and Army Guard facilities, missions, and team members.

Special Funds:

Revenues from special funds provide some of the agency's operational funding sources. We will be very close to what we projected with \$3,800,000 in radio fees, \$1,200,000 in hazardous chemical fees, and \$915,000 in Veterans Cemetery maintenance funds. Hazardous chemical fees were budgeted at roughly \$1,470,000. We projected roughly \$14.5 million in Disaster Relief Fund expenditures and have incurred costs of approximately \$1,650,000 through October 2024 and estimating to spend another \$7,900,000 before June 30, 2025. The Disaster Relief Fund expenditures can vary significantly depending on the timing of project completions and disaster response efforts.

Estimated 2023-25 spending and status of one-time funding

The agency received one-time funding for a variety of projects identified below. The figures reported are as of November 2024, unless otherwise noted.

- Dickinson Readiness Center \$15,500,000 of federal appropriation was received during the 2021-23 biennium for the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center. Carryover authority and an additional \$8,900,000 of State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) were received through the sixty-eighth legislative session, along with \$5,800,000 of additional federal authority through Emergency Commission actions to be expended on the project. The \$8,900,000 of SFRF was obligated prior the December 2024 deadline and will all be spent on the project. As of November 2024, approximately \$20,500,000 has been expended on the project. The project has a projected completion date of September 2025. Carryover authority has been requested for the 2025-27 biennium due to unknown project delays that may arise.
- Camp Grafton Fitness Facility \$9,000,000 of SFRF was received for the
 construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility. The agency requested and
 received an additional \$2,000,000 of federal authority through Emergency
 Commission during the current biennium. As of November 2024, approximately
 \$3,100,000 of SFRF and \$100,000 of federal funds have been spent on the project.

The project has a projected completion date of February 2026. They agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27 biennium.

- Deferred Maintenance \$1,000,000 of general funds were received for critical infrastructure projects located throughout the National Guard facilities.
 Approximately \$830,000 has been expended on nine projects. The remaining funds will be spent prior to biennium end.
- Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) Equipment \$2,700,000 of SFRF was received for the purchase of SIRN equipment. Of the funds received, all but \$4,242.70 was expended on the purchase of 328 radios and one dispatch console plus required installation and setup. The equipment will be used by ND National Guard units to train and respond to statewide emergencies.
- Minot Airport Hangar \$60,000 of general funds were appropriated for the purchase of a hangar in Minot, ND for Civil Air Patrol. Of the funds received, \$51,273 was expended and the remaining funds will be turned back at the end of the biennium.
- Emergency Response Equipment & Supplies \$660,000 in federal authority was received for the purchase of disaster response equipment if federal funds became available. As of November 2024, \$27,900 was expended to purchase a forklift for the Department of Emergency Services warehouse.
- Cybersecurity Grant \$314,000 of general funds were appropriated to provide up to five percent to political subdivisions towards the required local match for cybersecurity projects. Approximately \$174,000 has been expended through November 2024, and the agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27 biennium as not all the projects will be completed by biennium end.
- Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act (STORM) \$1,000,000 of Disaster Relief Funds were appropriated for a 10% state match on state revolving loan funds for mitigation projects to local governments. This past year was the first year this program was offered, and our state was very successful in being awarded \$16,600,000 in projects for local communities. The agency is requesting funding with an emergency clause for the 2025-27 biennium to distribute the entirety of the federal funds received.
- Flood Mitigation Grants \$225,000 of Disaster Relief Funds (DRF) were
 appropriated for flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion. Approximately \$12,000
 has been expended on Phase I of the project through November 2024. The project
 will continue moving forward with a large part of Phase II being completed next
 biennium. The agency has requested carryover authority.
- Natural Disaster Response & Recovery Grants \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief fund (DRF) was appropriated for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters. The agency utilized this funding for ice jams along the Missouri River in the Spring of 2024, and most recently for the wildland fires that occurred in western North Dakota. In response to these two activities, the agency is projecting expenditures of roughly \$120,000.

- Disaster Grants \$142,652,500 was appropriated, consisting of \$136,947,500 in federal authority and \$5,705,000 in Disaster Relief funds. Through November 2024, approximately \$31,400,000 in federal funds and \$1,100,000 in Disaster Relief funds have been expended. Projects are still being awarded, and the funds are distributed as the projects complete various stages.
- State Radio Consoles \$150,000 of general funds were received for replacement of 10 State Radio consoles. The bids received exceeded the general fund authority, however the agency requested and received an additional \$281,474 in special fund authority to move forward with the project. All the general funds have been spent.
- Retirement Payouts \$275,000 was appropriated for agency retirement leave payouts of which \$100,000 was general funds and \$175,000 was federal fund authority. As of November 2024, approximately \$91,000 has been expended and is made up of \$23,000 of general funds and \$68,000 in federal authority.
- Line of Communication Bridge Training Site \$6,000,000 of federal authority was appropriated through the sixty-seventh legislative assembly, and carryover authority was granted from the sixty-eighth legislative assembly for completion of this project. Through Emergency Commission actions, the agency was approved for an additional \$3,674,000 of federal authority during the 2023-25 biennium. Approximately \$4,500,000 has been expended through November 2024, with an estimated project completion date of December 2025. The agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27 biennium.
- Camp Grafton Expansion Through the sixty-seventh legislative assembly, the agency received \$600,000 of Strategic Investment and Improvements Funds (SIIF), and through the sixty-eighth legislative assembly, the agency received \$1,750,000 of general funds which were deposited into the National Guard Training Area and Facility Development Trust fund for the expansion of Camp Grafton and the intent to pursue interest in land around Camp Grafton South for the eventual construction of a multi-purpose machine gun range. The entirety of SIIF has been expended, and roughly \$1,600,000 remains of the National Guard Training Area and Facility Development Trust fund. NDCC 37-07.3-03 extends the use of the fund through June 30, 2029. The agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27 biennium.

Executive Recommendation (2025-27)

Next, I will discuss the executive recommendation for the 2025-27 biennium and compare it to our 2023-25 base budget. During my testimony, I will cover all one-time spending proposed for the 2025-27 biennium.

Subdivision 1. National Guard

Salaries and Wages

The salary and wages line includes funding for 14 FTEs and temporary team members supporting the National Guard division. The team members include the executive team, administrative staff, billeting operations, tuition and education, Veterans benefit specialists, ND Cares, a clinical specialist and two new FTEs for the Next Generation Leader Program. The Governor's Recommendation shows a net decrease in the salary and wages budget line. This is largely due to realignment of several positions that support the Army National Guard facilities. In previous biennium, it was not uncommon for a position that was both federally and state funded to be split between two separate budget lines. To align the funding sources, and provide internal program manager budgets, the positions were realigned to all fall under one budget class, Army Guard Contract. The net decrease shown in the salary and wages line item is offset by increases in the Governor's recommended compensation and benefits package, and realignment of three FTEs that previously fell under the Reintegration Program line. When the Reintegration Program budget line was created, this program had more FTEs than the program does today. The agency did not feel it was necessary to have a separate budget line for three FTE salaries, therefore an internal realignment of those budget dollars was completed.

The two additional FTEs approved for the Next Generation Leader Program are aimed at establishing a state-funded high school training program to provide Choice Ready options for high school students. Key points to the initiative include things such as: leadership and character development, educational benefits, career preparation, community engagement and citizenship, physical fitness and health, cultural and historical awareness, state and national security, economic benefits and state pride and identity.

Operating Expenses

Similar to the decrease shown in the salary and wages line item, the operating expenses budget line shows a net decrease from the base budget. In previous biennium, the general funds expended to support the NDNG facilities were projected here. The agency has over 330 facilities located throughout the state with varying federal/state match requirements. The agency is looking to realign all funding sources for the facility maintenance and repair, daily operations, and staffing under one program area. For the 2025-27 biennium, the state portion of the costs has been budgeted under the Army Guard Contract budget line, where the federal dollars have been budgeted in prior years. The remaining funds in the Operating Expenses line item are operational costs to support the team members budgeted in the salary and wages line, and other miscellaneous costs the National Guard division may incur throughout the biennium. Similar to the realignment of the Reintegration Program FTEs described above, the operational costs for this program area were also realigned within the internal budget eliminating the need to have a separate Reintegration Program budget line. This budget line includes funding in the executive recommendation for an increase to infrastructure insurance. The agency has several facilities that are significantly underinsured, and this would allow us to pay premiums for fully insured facilities.

Capital Assets

The capital assets line provides \$36,500,000 of total appropriation, consisting of \$34,000,000 in federal authority for an additional billeting wing on the Regional Training Institute located at Camp Grafton and \$2,500,000 in general funds for the design of a Williston Readiness Center. Once the design for the Readiness Center is completed, an estimated \$29,000,000 will be requested during the 2027-29 biennium to construct the facility.

Grants

The grants line consists of \$470,692 of general funds, which provides annual rent payments to community owned armories partially occupied by NDNG units in seven communities across North Dakota. For the 2025-27 biennium, with the completion of the Dickinson Readiness Center, the agency will utilize six locations for unit readiness.

Civil Air Patrol

The North Dakota Civil Air Patrol (CAP) is an agency called upon for civilian search and rescue as well as information gathering during state disasters. There is one FTE in this program, and this budget line shows an overall increase. The increase includes \$250,000 of one-time Strategic Investment and Improvements Fund (SIIF) for the purchase of Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) upgrades which would provide the wing with modernized communications systems to ensure interoperability with other state and local responders. This is a required upgrade to remain compatible with the response community and the agency has requested an emergency clause for this purchase. The remainder of the increase in this budget line is for salary increases based on the executive recommendation.

Tuition, Recruiting and Retention

The State Tuition Assistance (STA) program remains our #1 recruiting tool. The base budget includes \$3,362,235 in general funds for the 2025-27 biennium, and we are requesting carryover of an estimated \$2,750,000 from the 2023-25 biennium. This funding provides the resources required to offer up to 100% tuition reimbursement for our qualified members, and critical recruiting tools to assist in obtaining full formations. The agency received \$320,000 in the base budget during the sixty-eighth legislative assembly targeted at a program which provides a stipend for current and former members of the NG that provide a lead on a recruit that results in an enlistment. This program has been successful, and enlistments have increased. During the last legislative session, the tuition program was expended to help offset not only in-state tuition costs, but also out-of-state tuition costs. By expanding the program to schools located outside of North Dakota, the state was able to better posture themselves to compete with bordering states and retain top talent that is critical to the ND National Guard force.

Within the executive recommendation for the 2025-27 biennium, language has been included allowing the agency to utilize the funds for program administration and operating costs. Our current program operates with a significant amount of data entry, delaying customer service. We are proposing to establish a state tuition assistance portal that not only students would have access to, but schools will also be able to create an account. The goal is the service member can consistently check their status of application, application history, reimbursement status and history, lifetime credit balance in each education level and other significant information. The goal is to include an option for the universities to create an account,

providing them with the ability to verify students' eligibility to the STA program, create a rollup of applications and possibly a history for their records. The port will increase efficiency, communication with universities and students, and bring our STA program to a more cutting edge of technology that has been long overdue.

Full formations are critical to ensuring we are ready to deploy overseas, respond to domestic emergencies, and ensure we sustain National Guard capabilities.

Air Guard Contracts

This budget line supports the state funded facilities and 31 state FTEs at the ND Air National Guard located at Hector Field in Fargo. Seventeen FTEs are 75% federally funded and 25% generally funded. The remaining 14 FTEs are 100% federally reimbursed. Funding in this budget line supports both state and federal missions and 489,000 sq. ft. of federal facilities located at Hector Field. The majority of those facilities require a 25% state match to support utilities and operational costs. This funding is critical for maintaining our facilities and operations. Overall, this budget line shows an increase which is largely attributed to internal realignment of required funds for daily operations of the facilities and staff. The increase from the base budget also encompasses the compensation package included in the executive recommendation.

Army Guard Contracts

This budget line supports federally funded facilities and 99 current FTEs, along with two additional FTE requests for the 2025-27 biennium. Many of the FTEs require a general and federal fund match. The executive recommendation has an overall increase which includes the executive recommendation compensation package, seven agency requests, and a major realignment of FTEs and operating funds between agency budget lines.

In previous biennium, both salary and operating expenses were split between the Army Guard Contract line, Salaries & Wages line, as well as the Operating Expenses line based on the match and funding source required for the expenditure. Due to the complexities of the program, the agency has aligned both the federal and state match under the Army Guard Contract line. The realignment of funds will provide internal efficiencies and effective program budget capabilities to better assist the division responsible for managing the cooperative agreement funds and team members. The reallocation of funds within the Army Guard line mirrors the internal processes already in place for other sections within the agency such as Civil Air Patrol, Air Guard Contracts and Veterans Cemetery.

The seven agency requests are made up of \$6,000,000 for critical infrastructure, two additional FTEs, realignment of funding for an existing FTE position, and full biennial funding for three FTEs authorized during the sixty-eighth legislative assembly but were approved to be filled for a partial biennial year.

The agency received \$6,000,000 in funding for critical infrastructure projects. The funds are made up of \$1,500,000 of ongoing general funds and \$4,500,000 of SIIF. The agency owns 330 buildings throughout the state with approximately 27% state funded support required based upon usage. The replacement value is estimated at \$900,000,000 for buildings. For the 2023-25 biennium, the federal government provided roughly \$18,000,000 to support the infrastructure requirements while the state provided \$1,000,000 in general fund match. The Army National Guard has several facilities around the state that require new roofs, new chillers, boilers and

other building system repairs. Maintaining these facilities is crucial to NDNG Soldier and Airmen readiness for response to federal and state missions.

Current funding levels for maintenance and repairs have not kept pace with increased costs of materials and labor. Additional state funding is required to properly maintain the buildings owned and operated by the National Guard, of which three are used to support four other state and federal agencies such as ND Highway Patrol, Bureau of Criminal Investigation, ND Information Technology, and the Federal Department of Homeland Security. Ongoing maintenance needs require consistent funding. The impact of not funding maintenance requirements is increased probability of catastrophic failure of building systems and equipment as well as increased chances of unsafe, undesirable, or unhealthy working conditions for the over 3,000 full and part-time employees of the NDNG.

One of the FTE requests consists of a Custodial Supervisor for the Dickinson Readiness Center. Historically, when the National Guard builds a facility of this nature the agency receives three FTEs to help maintain it once operational. During the sixty-eighth legislative session, the agency requested the standard three FTEs: a physical plant director, a maintenance supervisor, and a custodial supervisor. The agency did receive two of the three FTEs; however, the custodial supervisor position was cut from our budget request. This request is for the third position the agency feels is critical to properly staff, clean and maintain the property. Building upkeep is a 24/7 year-round responsibility. The construction of the facility is projected to be completed in September 2025, however staffing the facility ahead of time is necessary to ensure the facility has smooth operations upon opening.

The agency received approval in the executive recommendation to repurpose a 100% federally reimbursed Security Forces Squadron position and use this position for an additional Construction Coordinator position that is also 100% federally reimbursed. The authority for this position would shift from our Air Guard Contracts budget line to the Army Guard Contracts budget line. The reason for the transparency is the agency requested and received an additional FTE for the Security Forces Squadron during the 2023-25 biennium, however that section of our agency no longer has adequate funding to fill the position.

The remaining agency requests all include a full biennial appropriation and funding for three FTEs received during the sixty-eighth legislative assembly. Two of the three positions were for the Dickinson Readiness Center as mentioned above, and the remaining position was in support of the Camp Grafton Fitness Facility. The Dickinson Readiness Center FTEs were authorized with a fill date of January 2025, and the Fitness Facility position was authorized with a fill date of May 2025. The requests the agency has submitted were for a full 24 months of funding.

Veterans Cemetery

The North Dakota Veterans Cemetery (NDVC) budget line supports five FTEs and temporary team members throughout the year. The NDVC was established in 1992, and an average of 130 burials per year were completed at that time. Currently, the NDVC is performing over 600 burials per year. Two additional FTEs are being requested to fill long term temporary positions the Cemetery must maintain due to workload requirements. One of the FTE positions would assist with administrative functions, and the other FTE position would assist with grounds and cemetery operations. By having the FTE authorizations, it would allow for lower turnover rates, which would in turn have positive effects on the organization. The positions require a lot

of detail and the more consistent we can become with our staff; the less time will be spent training new staff. Lower turnover would allow for more time spent on the critical needs of the facility. The agency is seeking special fund authority, and no additional general funds for the new positions.

Reintegration Program

The reintegration program supports Soldiers and Airmen throughout a deployment and assists the service member and their families with reintegration upon return. This is critical to the overall readiness of the North Dakota National Guard. This program consists of three FTEs: two Outreach Specialists and one Human Resource Counselor. Due to the small number of FTE and internal budget alignments, the funds for this program area were included under both the Salary and Wages and Operating Expense budget lines. The funding for this program consists of salaries, benefits, travel, and minor support costs.

Subdivision 2. ND Department of Emergency Services

Salaries and Wages

This budget line shows an overall increase in the executive recommendation. This budget line supports 79 FTEs and two additional Watch Center FTE requests. The FTEs are comprised of administrative staff, along with both Homeland Security and State Radio full-time and temporary team members.

The two additional watch center FTEs are critical to maintaining an effective an efficient 24/7 watch center capability. The watch center serves the wholistic public safety of citizens and through the gathering and dispersal of information across the state with local and partner agencies with 24-hour service. The watch center has been instrumental in recent events such as the Missouri River Ice Jam, Bordulac Train Derailment, western ND wildland fires and numerous public alerts. State and local partners have stated they appreciate the ongoing situational awareness and 24-hour coverage.

Operating Expenses

The operating expense line supports the basic operating costs of NDDES. The increase shown in the executive recommendation is largely made up of two additional agency requests.

The first request consists of \$509,232 in general fund dollars to support ND Information Technology (NDIT) operations and maintenance costs. As part of unification, NDIT now charges agencies Operations & Maintenance (O&M) costs for various agency support functions. Initially this was tied to unified FTE counts, but for the 2025-27 biennium they are going away from a count basing it on the utilization rates for the Public Safety team that helps support the agency. In working with NDIT for the projected 2025-27 rate increases, we discovered the O&M costs are not associated with our Homeland Security division. As a result of this, the State Radio division will be experiencing a significant increase to their NDIT operating costs they are not able to absorb. The agency is not able to transfer the funding from Homeland Security to State Radio to help offset the charges as the majority of the NDIT bill for Homeland Security is paid with federal grant dollars and those dollars are not able to support State Radio IT

expenditures. The 2% general funds allocated to the Homeland Security division are also necessary to meet the state match requirements for the federal grants.

State Radio's base budget is comprised of 66% personnel costs, leaving limited resources for the remainder of their operations. The remaining operating costs are vastly technology costs the agency cannot operate without. The division has a no fail mission and cannot afford to downsize their manning power to help offset the increased technology costs. The demands put on the division are increasing as they continue to grow and take on more responsibility as jurisdictions continue to seek State Radio services.

For the 2023-25 biennium, both Homeland Security and State Radio are paying \$15,000/month (total of \$30,000/month) for O&M costs. The projected rates for the 2025-27 biennium total \$36,218/month. This is a significant impact to State Radio and will result in them experiencing an increase of \$21,218/month to their NDIT expenditures. This increase equates to \$509,232 of additional funds State Radio will need to request. They are not able to absorb all this cost. State Radio is requesting general funds to offset the difference.

Per NDCC, State Radio does set rates and calculates an amount the locals pay for 911 fees. Those rates must be published one year prior to the start of the biennium. Unfortunately, the timing of when NDIT submitted the O & M costs and when the fee calculations were due, did not align. Therefore, the increased cost is not accounted for in the 2027-29 911 fees. Of State Radio's \$10.5 million budget, 21% on average goes to NDIT.

The second request in this budget line attributing to the overall increase is a request for \$87,336 for the ND Response Website. The costs to operate the NDResponse.gov website are existing costs that have mainly been paid from the NDIT budget since its inception in 2016. For the 2023-25 biennium, the Homeland Security incurs a monthly cost of \$486.00 to support the website. Based on the NDIT funding model, this is unsustainable for them as they do not receive funding for this site and have previously not sought reimbursement. For the 2025-27 biennium, NDIT has notified NDDES they will need to cover the costs of the website. The projected monthly rate DES received from NDIT for this service is going from \$486/month to \$4,125/month. This is a \$87,336 increase that Homeland Security is not able to absorb.

The NDResponse website was originally developed during the Dakota Access Pipeline protests to direct citizens to one trusted source of information for all of ND Government related to public safety; regardless of which agency may be the lead. At that time, the web traffic was extremely high and there were multiple ongoing cyber-attacks against ND government systems. The website is built to effectively function even when all other ND.gov systems are down, providing a resilient and redundant way to reach the citizens.

In addition, the system is built to handle large, rapid influxes of web traffic during public alerts such as Amber, Silver and Blue Alerts. When a public alert is issued, the website may spike to over 200,000 concurrent visitors. NDResponse has been used to communicate to citizens during protests, floods, pandemics, severe summer storms, blizzards, and long-term power outages.

Statutorily, 37-17.1 broadly charges NDDES with reducing the vulnerability to communities, providing a setting conducive to the rapid and orderly restoration after a disaster, and providing a statewide emergency management system that includes prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. All those functions are supported by the NDResponse

website. In addition, NDDES has some statutory obligations to support the various public alerts which are now supported by NDResponse.gov.

Capital Assets

Our NDDES total capital asset line consists of \$660,000 of federal authority in the executive recommendation. The funds are intended for the purchase of disaster response equipment if federal funding becomes available.

Grants

The Grants line has a base budget appropriation of \$27,790,000, consisting of \$27,140,000 in federal funds and \$650,000 in special fund authority. The grants are distributed to locals at various stages of their award and is based on anticipated federal grant awards such as the Emergency Performance Management Grants, Homeland Security Grants, Hazardous Emergency Preparedness Grants, Non-profit Security Grant Programs, Cybersecurity Grants, and also special funds resulting from Hazardous Chemical fees.

Disaster Costs

The 2009 Legislature created this budget line due to the extent of the damages and significant funding requirements associated with the 2009 flood. Since then, we have expended most of our disaster funds through this budget line. For the 2025-27 biennium, we estimate approximately \$100,000,000 in disaster spending authority. This is an increase in federal authority from the base budget and is based on projected authority required for the 2025-27 biennium. Biennial projections are based on the projected state share of Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation payments to local subrecipients, increased Public Assistance payments to locals, and increases to federal awards through the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grants. The timing of these expenditures is highly dependent upon completion of on-going repair projects as well as mitigation projects.

The funding for this line is primarily federal funding, however, it also includes estimates from the State Disaster Relief fund (DRF). Included as part of the DRF, is an appropriation of \$3,550,000 for the state match on the revolving loan fund for the STORM act. In the 2023-25 biennium, the agency was appropriated \$1,000,000 of DRF, however \$0 have been executed to date as the agency is still waiting on the additional match and federal authority required to accept the award from FEMA. This past year was the first year our state has applied for the program, and we were 3rd nationally in terms of total dollars selected at \$16,600,000. The \$1,000,000 of DRF that were approved last biennium was not sufficient to meet the 10% state match of \$16,600,000, so an additional \$660,000 is required to accept the full federal award. In addition, the agency needs the federal authority for the awarded funds. The agency has requested the additional funding for the remaining cost match with an emergency clause in the agency's appropriation bill for the 2025-27 biennium and is seeking federal fund authority and DRF approval for the 2025-27 biennium to continue applying for additional federal funds in future grant rounds.

Radio Communications

The Radio Communications line totals \$1,020,000 and includes funding for two critical resources the division of State Radio needs. The number one priority is for a redundant switch with an estimated cost of \$525,000. The current system is running with single points of failure.

This system is on a "Cannot Fail Mission" and must be redundant due to the criticality of the system. The system is used by all law enforcement statewide as well as ND Insurance Department's Fraud Investigators, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facilities, and Minot Airforce Base. The system allows law enforcement to run wants, warrants, driver's license and motor vehicle information. If the current system were to fail, all law enforcement statewide will be impacted with the inability to run any of the necessary searches. Currently law enforcement and dispatch centers are running approximately 7,000,000 search per month. The state of Idaho was running single instance with a Disaster Recovery and had to use other states to help during their crash. They were down for four days, and it took several months and \$1,600,000 to resolve the catastrophic event.

The second request is \$495,000 for Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) capabilities. The funds will provide for a new recording solution compatible with the new SIRN radio system as the current one is not compatible and is past life expectancy. The funds will also cover dual maintenance with the legacy system and the new SIRN system due to having to run them simultaneously, and the ability to convert three deployable tower trailers with SIRN gear.

Executive Recommendation

Standard Clauses

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

VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds which are received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION – LINE ITEM TRANSFERS. Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets line items contained in section 1 of this Act from the various other line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

ESTIMATED INCOME – STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND. The estimated income line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes \$3,550,000 from the state disaster relief fund for the STORM Act program.

NATURAL DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY GRANTS. The disaster costs line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief fund for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters.

Carry-Over Clauses

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over of federal funds appropriated for the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center in section 12.4 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Requests #2107 and #2137 are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the Dickinson Readiness Center project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over of federal funds appropriated for the line of communication bridge training site in section 12.5 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Requests #2106 and #2123 are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the line of communication bridge project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount of \$9,000,000 of federal state fiscal recovery funds appropriated in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Request #2108 for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the construction of the fitness facility during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount appropriated in the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used for tuition assistance program administration and operating costs and to provide tuition assistance, recruiting and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North Dakota national guard during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over from the National Guard training area and facility development trust fund pursuant to section 12.6 and 13 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws for the expansion of Camp Grafton is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to continue forward with the expansion of Camp Grafton during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for pursuant to section 12.8 of chapter 48 of the 2023 special session laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used for the purpose of replacing the state active-duty software and maintenance during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount of \$314,000 of general funds appropriated for cybersecurity grants in section 9 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws is not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to provide grants to political subdivisions for all or a portion of the required five percent local match for cybersecurity enforcement during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount of \$225,000 of disaster relief funds appropriated for flood mitigation grants in section 7 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws is not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to provide flood mitigation grants during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

Legislative Intent

CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that:

- 1. The adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of no more than one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total.
- 2. The adjutant general not use eminent domain for the expansion of camp Grafton.

Others

NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY GALLERY. The adjutant general may accept funds including private and federal, to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery during the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general, with the approval of the governor, has entered into an agreement with the state historical society for the construction of a new facility, the renovation of an existing property, and the operations and maintenance of a military gallery. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

Emergency Clauses

EMERGENCY. Section 1 subdivision 1, related to the critical infrastructure state match, next generation leader program, Civil Air Patrol SIRN Upgrade and section 1 subdivision 2, related to STORM Act funding, of this Act are declared to be an emergency measure.

Conclusion

Mr. Chairman that concludes our testimony. I would like to leave you with these final thoughts: This is a critical period for the Office of the Adjutant General as we work to modernize our facilities and enhance incentives, meeting the demands of an ever-evolving strategic and competitive landscape. To remain "Always Ready, Always There" for our state and federal missions, our investment in readiness, capacity, and future capabilities must keep pace. Readiness continues to be my top priority, and the 2025-27 biennial request for appropriations addresses our most pressing needs in this area.

I respectfully ask for your support of the executive recommendation and am happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 1/23/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; and to provide an exemption.

8:33 a.m. Chairman Monson called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Monson, Representatives: Bosch, Fischer, Kempenich, Meier, Pyle.

Members Absent: Vice Chairman Brandenburg

Discussion Topics:

- Leadership Pilot Programs
- National Guard college tuition support
- Impacts of National Guard nationally
- National Guard mission statement
- Requirements for accredited teachers for National Guard
- ND National Guard vacancies
- ND National Guard FTE requests
- ND State Radio
- ND National Guard maintenance requests

8:37 a.m. Brig. General Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General, Office of the Adjutant General and ND National Guard, testified in favor and continued with previous testimony #29174 from January 15, 2025.

9:17 a.m. Darin Hanson, Director, Homeland Security Division, testified in favor.

9:39 a.m. Jennifer Scheet, Division Chief, Fiscal and Administrative Services, testified in favor.

10:05 a.m. Darin Anderson, Director, State Radio, testified in favor and continued with testimony #29174.

10:20 a.m. Col. Sean M. Johnson, Director of Operations, ND Civil Air Patrol, testified and submitted testimony in favor #30800.

10:25 a.m. Darin Hanson, Director, Homeland Security Division, testified in favor.

Additional written testimony:

Grant Gader, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted neutral testimony #30986.

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Tom Iverson, Chief of Operations, North Dakota Highway Patrol, submitted testimony in favor #30488.

Scott Winkleman, Chief Game Warden, ND Game and Fish, submitted testimony in favor #30745.

Colby Braun, Director, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, submitted testimony in favor #30887.

Jackie Lundstrom, SIEC Representative, North Dakota Peace Officers Association, submitted testimony in favor #30914

10:32 a.m. Chairman Monson adjourned the meeting.

Madaline Cooper, Committee Clerk

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Testimony

69th Legislative Assembly

House Appropriations – Gov. Ops. DivisionJanuary 23, 2025

TESTIMONY OF

Colonel Daniel Haugen

Good morning Chairman Monson and members of the committee. My name is Daniel Haugen and I serve as the superintendent of the North Dakota Highway Patrol. I am submitting testimony in support of House Bill 1016.

The appropriations outlined in HB 1016 are essential for advancing the operational capabilities of State Radio and ensuring the critical infrastructure several law enforcement agencies rely upon remains robust, reliable, and secure. The funding requested for the SIRN-compatible logger/recorder and improvements to the Message Switch/OpenFox system addresses significant vulnerabilities in the current framework. These updates will eliminate single points of failure, enhancing system redundancy and ensuring uninterrupted communication during emergencies.

The proposed SIRN-compatible logger will significantly improve State Radio's ability to retrieve and analyze communication data. It will allow them to seamlessly pull audio from 9-1-1 calls, radio traffic, and individual officer streams. This granular capability ensures greater situational awareness and precise event reconstruction. The system can overlay all communication streams from an event, which is invaluable for incident review, accountability, and operational efficiency. These advancements directly benefit law enforcement agencies by providing enhanced protection, streamlined communication, and better tools to ensure the safety of our officers and the communities we serve.

I respectfully ask for your support in securing these critical investments for the future of our shared operations.



House Appropriations Committee Government Operations Division Testimony on HB 1016

North Dakota Game and Fish Department Scott Winkelman, Chief Game Warden January 23, 2025

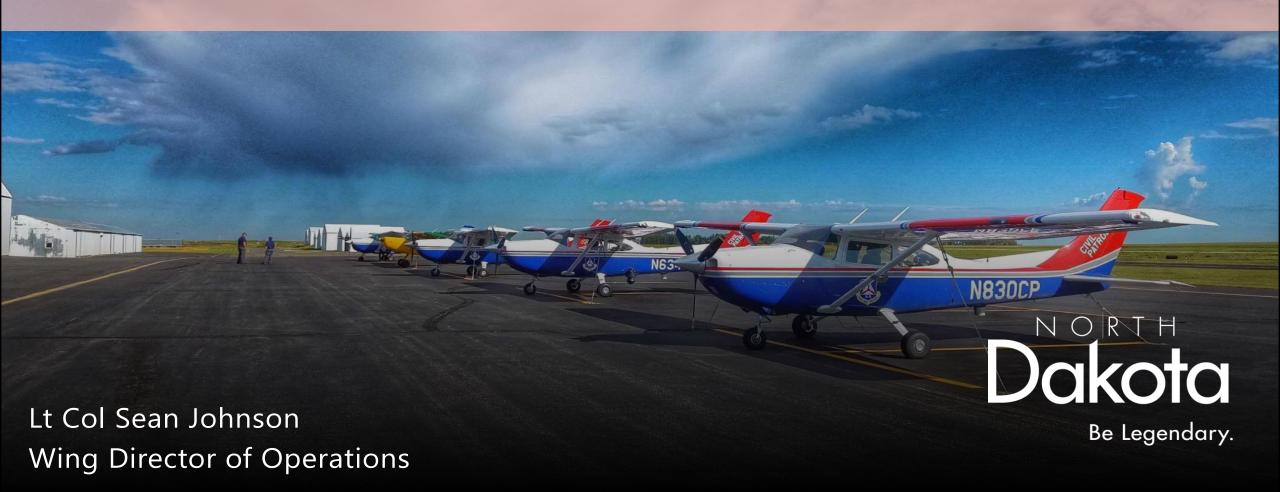
Chairman Monson and members of the committee. My name is Scott Winkelman, Chief Game Warden of the North Dakota Game and Fish Department. I am testifying today in support of HB 1016.

HB 1016 contains appropriations needed for the proper function of State Radio. The funding requested will improve the capabilities of the Statewide Interoperability Radio Network, otherwise known as SIRN, and ensure that law enforcement agencies and officers, including the Game Wardens, stay safe and are able to properly communicate with State Radio dispatchers and other law enforcement officers.

The Department respectfully requests your support for critical funding needed for State Radio and the SIRN project.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

STATEWIDE INTEROPERABLE RADIO NETWORK (SIRN) REQUIREMENTS





BOTTOM LINE UP FRONT

- Can reduce SIRN One Time Funding ask to \$206,426 (17% reduction)
- Original ask based on the Motorola APXNext Radio
 - SIRN Compatible
 - Live Streaming
 - SMS
 - Asset Geolocation
- Very recent feedback indicates APXNext not suitable
- Pivot to APX 6000





PER UNIT COST ANALYSIS – APX 6000



Item Number	Description	Unit List Price	State Contract Price	Ext. Sale Price
APX™ 6000 Series				
H98UCF9PW6BN	APX6000 700/800MHz Model 2.5 Portable*	\$3,667.00	\$2,157.00	\$2,157.00
G996AU	Over The Air Programming (OTAP) Over P25	\$110.00	\$66.00	\$66.00
Q361AR	P25 9600 Baud Trunking	\$330.00	\$198.00	\$198.00
QA09008AA	Group Services Reprogramming	\$165.00	\$99.00	\$99.00
QA09001AB	WiFi Access	\$330.00	\$198.00	\$198.00
H38BT	Smartzone Operation	\$1,320.00	\$792.00	\$792.00
Q806BM	Astro Digital Common Air Interface (CAI) Operation	\$567.00	\$340.20	\$340.20
PMMN4065A	Microphone, Impres RSM, IP57	\$106.70	\$80.03	\$80.03
NNTN8860A	Charger, Single-unit, Impres 2, 3a, 115vac, Us/Na	\$186.50	\$98.91	\$98.91

Cost Per Unit

\$4,029.14



FIELDING COST

ltem	Quantity	Measure	Unit		Total
Aircraft Radios	7	EA	\$ 4,029.	14 \$	28,203.98
Aircraft Backup/Donor Radio	1	EA	\$ 4,029.	14 \$	4,029.14
Wing HQ/State Emergency Operations Center Radio	1	EA	\$ 4,029.	14 \$	4,029.14
Key Vehicle Radios	5	EA	\$ 4,029.	14 \$	20,145.70
Incident Commanders/Incident Command Posts Radios	5	EA	\$ 4,029.	14 \$	20,145.70
Radio Accessories	20	EA	\$ 250.	00 \$	5,000.00
Aircraft Compatibility	8	EA	\$ 12,650.0	00 \$	101,200.00
10% Contingency	1	LS	\$ 18,673.	00 \$	18,673.00
Training	1	LS	\$ 5,000.	00 \$	5,000.00

Fielding Cost \$

206,426.66

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS – GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS DIVISION REPRESENTATIVE JON NELSON, CHAIR JANUARY 23, 2025

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION PRESENTING TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 1016

Chairman Nelson and members of the House Appropriations – Government Operations

Division, I am Colby Braun, Director of the North Dakota Department of Corrections and

Rehabilitation (DOCR). Today, I submit this written testimony in support of House Bill 1016,

which allows State Radio to obtain a new State Interoperation Radio Network (SIRN) system.

The State Interoperation Radio Network (SIRN) will provide much needed inoperability amongst law enforcement agencies which was evident during past emergency situations. The North Dakota Parole and Probation division, along with others, struggled to maintain communication with other agencies during these important times of response. This funding requested will enhance officer safety and communication with a purpose of ensuring highly reliable and redundant communication capabilities for the statewide public safety community. This funding will continue to modernize and provide a feature-rich and highly available network to meet the mission-critical communication needs of the public safety community. Some of the goals of SIRN were to resolve interoperability challenges, increase radio coverage, decrease the number of disparate radio systems, and modernize the features and functionality of the radio network. With the additional funding requests this will allow State Radio to continue to work towards meeting these goals. All these added features will greatly assist our North Dakota Parole and Probation officers in their ability to assist other agencies, continue to meet the needs of the communities we serve, and offer us support and assistance when situations arise.

Chairman Nelson and members of the House Appropriations – Government Operations

Division, I ask that you support House Bill 1016.



North Dakota Peace Officers Association

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House Appropriations Committee Government Operations Division Testimony on HB 1016

North Dakota Peace Officers Association Jackie Lundstrom, SIEC representative January 23, 2025

Chaiman Monson and members of the committee, my name is Jackie Lundstrom, I represent the North Dakota Peace Officers Association (NDPOA) on the State Interoperability Executive Committee (SIEC). I am testifying today in support of HB 1016.

HB 1016 contains appropriations for the Department of Emergency Services, more specifically for State Radio and necessary advancements to critical communication infrastructure. Within this funding is the request for improvements to the Message Switch/Open Fox system and a Statewide Interoperability Radio Network (SIRN) compatible logger/recorder. These components will fix and improve the communications for not only 9-1-1 calls but for radio communication to, from, and between, individual law enforcement, EMS, fire and other public service responders.

The NDPOA respectfully requests your support for this critical funding need for State Radio and the SIRN project.

Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Legislative Council Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

		Burgu	ım Budget			Armstro	ong Budget		Armst		npared to Burgum	Budget
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	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$226,649)	(\$852,302)		(\$625,653)	(\$226,649)	(\$852,302)				\$0
Salary increase		735,834	1,461,143	2,196,977		601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880		(\$134,341)	(\$266,756)	(401,097)
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210		431,679	943,531	1,375,210				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844			The state of the s	0
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)				0
Moves reintegration program to salaries and operating				0				0				0
Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program FTE positions	2.00	488,590		488,590	2.00	488,590		488,590				0
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision position	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832			2	0
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512	1.00		179,512	179,512				0
Adds funding for Veterans' Cemetery salaries		***		0			194,611	194,611			194,611	194.611
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435,336		435,336	2.00	435,336		435,336				0
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at the Dickinson Readiness Center	2.00	186,618	186,616	373,234	2.00	186,618	186,616	373,234				0
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position		84,384	84,384	168,768		84,384	84,384	168,768				0
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator position	1.00		257,694	257,694	1.00		257,694	257,694				0
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253				0
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316				0
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and property taxes		(124,046)	3, 33, 33, 33	(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)				0
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232				0
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87,336		87,336		87,336		87,336				0
Adds emergency response funding		07,000	2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000				0
Adds funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796			2,781,796	2,781,796				0
Adjusts funding for disaster grants	1	(33,401)	37,692,185	37,658,784		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784			(11,500,000)	(11,500,000
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund		(00,101)	07,002,100	0		1,500,000		1,500,000		1,500,000		1,500,000
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance				0		790,853		790,853		790,853		790,853
Total ongoing funding changes	7.00	\$4,183,550	\$57,797,488	\$61,981,038	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$46,225,343	\$52,565,405	0.00	\$2,156,512	(\$11,572,145)	(\$9,415,633
One-Time Funding Items											7	The rest of the left
Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000				\$0
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center design		\$2,500,000		2,500,000			2,500,000	2,500,000		(\$2,500,000)	\$2,500,000	0

Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch		525,000		525,000			525,000	525,000		(525,000)	525,000	0
Adds funding for SIRN costs		495,000		495,000			495,000	495,000		(495,000)	495,000	0
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund		1,000,000		1,000,000			4,500,000	4,500,000		(1,000,000)	4,500,000	3,500,000
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade		250,000		250,000			250,000	250,000		(250,000)	250,000	0
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000			660,000	660,000				0
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			4,600,000	4,600,000			39,050,000	39,050,000			34,450,000	34,450,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$4,770,000	\$39,260,000	\$44,030,000	0.00	\$0	\$81,980,000	\$81,980,000	0.00	(\$4,770,000)	\$42,720,000	\$37,950,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	7.00	\$8,953,550	\$97,057,488	\$106,011,038	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$128,205,343	\$134,545,405	0.00	(\$2,613,488)	\$31,147,855	\$28,534,367
2025-27 Total Funding	240.00	\$34,564,892	\$270,028,840	\$304,593,732	240.00	\$31,951,404	\$301,176,695	\$333,128,099	0.00	(\$2,613,488)	\$31,147,855	\$28,534,367
Federal funds included in other funds			\$249,645,130				\$273,716,178				\$24,071,048	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	16.3%	33.4%	31.2%	3.0%	24.8%	26.7%	26.5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	35.0%	56.1%	53.4%	3.0%	24.8%	74.1%	67.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

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2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 1/30/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; and to provide an exemption.

10:36 a.m. Chairman Monson called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Monson, Vice Chairman Brandenburg, Representatives: Bosch, Fischer, Kempenich, Meier, Pyle.

Discussion Topics:

- Homeland Securities Temporary Positions
- STORM Act Program
- Disaster Relief Fund
- ND Wildfire funding
- Emergency Management Budget requests
- Choice Ready Program
- Education of youth with military opportunities
- BPS investment Adjutant Generals
- Veteran's Cemetery costs
- Camp Grafton Training Center
- Regional Training Institute (RTI)

10:38 a.m. Darin Hanson, Homeland Security Director, North Dakota Emergency Services, testified in favor and provided testimony #32979.

11:06 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General, Adjutant General Office, testified in favor and continued with testimony #32979.

Additional written testimony:

Grant Gader, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted neutral testimony #32952.

11:49 a.m. Vice Chairman Brandenburg closed the meeting.

Madaline Cooper, Committee Clerk

Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

		Armstrong E	xecutive Budget			House	e Version		House Compared to Executive Budget			
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2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$226,649)	(\$852,302)		(\$625,653)	(\$226,649)	(\$852,302)				\$0
Salary increase		601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880		601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880				0
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210		431,679	943,531	1,375,210			18	0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844				0
Removes funding for the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool				0		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)		(\$308,944)	(\$626,319)	(935,263)
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)				0
Moves reintegration program to salaries and operating				0				0				0
Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program FTE positions	2.00	488,590		488,590				0	(2.00)	(488,590)		(488,590)
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision position	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832				0	(1.00)	(90,416)	(90,416)	(180,832)
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512				0	(1.00)		(179,512)	(179,512)
Adds funding for Veterans' Cemetery salaries			194,611	194,611				0			(194,611)	(194,611)
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435,336		435,336				0	(2.00)	(435,336)		(435,336)
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at the Dickinson Readiness Center		186,618	186,616	373,234				0		(186,618)	(186,616)	(373,234)
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position		84,384	84,384	168,768				0		(84,384)	(84,384)	(168,768)
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator position	1.00		257,694	257,694				0	(1.00)		(257,694)	(257,694)
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253				0
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316				0
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and property taxes		(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)				0
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232				0
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87,336		87,336		87,336		87,336				0
Adds emergency response funding			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000				0
Adds funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796				0			(2,781,796)	(2,781,796)
Adjusts funding for disaster grants		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784				0
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund		1,500,000		1,500,000				0		(1,500,000)		(1,500,000)
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance		790,853		790,853		790,853		790,853				0
Total ongoing funding changes	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$46,225,343	\$52,565,405	0.00	\$3,245,774	\$41,823,995	\$45,069,769	(7.00)	(\$3,094,288)	(\$4,401,348)	(\$7,495,636)

Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000				\$0
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center design			2,500,000	2,500,000			2,500,000	2,500,000				0
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch			525,000	525,000				0			(\$525,000)	(525,000)
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000			495,000	495,000				0
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund			4,500,000	4,500,000				0			(4,500,000)	(4,500,000)
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade			250,000	250,000			206,426	206,426			(43,574)	(43,574)
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000			660,000	660,000				0
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000			39,050,000	39,050,000				0
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$81,980,000	\$81,980,000	0.00	\$0	\$76,911,426	\$76,911,426	0.00	\$0	(\$5,068,574)	(\$5,068,574)
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$128,205,343	\$134,545,405	0.00	\$3,245,774	\$118,735,421	\$121,981,195	(7.00)	(\$3,094,288)	(\$9,469,922)	(\$12,564,210)
2025-27 Total Funding	240.00	\$31,951,404	\$301,176,695	\$333,128,099	233.00	\$28,857,116	\$291,706,773	\$320,563,889	(7.00)	(\$3,094,288)	(\$9,469,922)	(\$12,564,210)
Federal funds included in other funds			\$273,716,178				\$269,778,452				(\$3,937,726)	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	26.7%	26.5%	0.0%	12.7%	24.2%	22.7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	74.1%	67.8%	0.0%	12.7%	68.6%	61.4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540

Section Description	Armstrong Executive Budget	House Version	
New and vacant FTE pool line item		Section 3 provides for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.	

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS: GOVERNMENT OPS DIV.

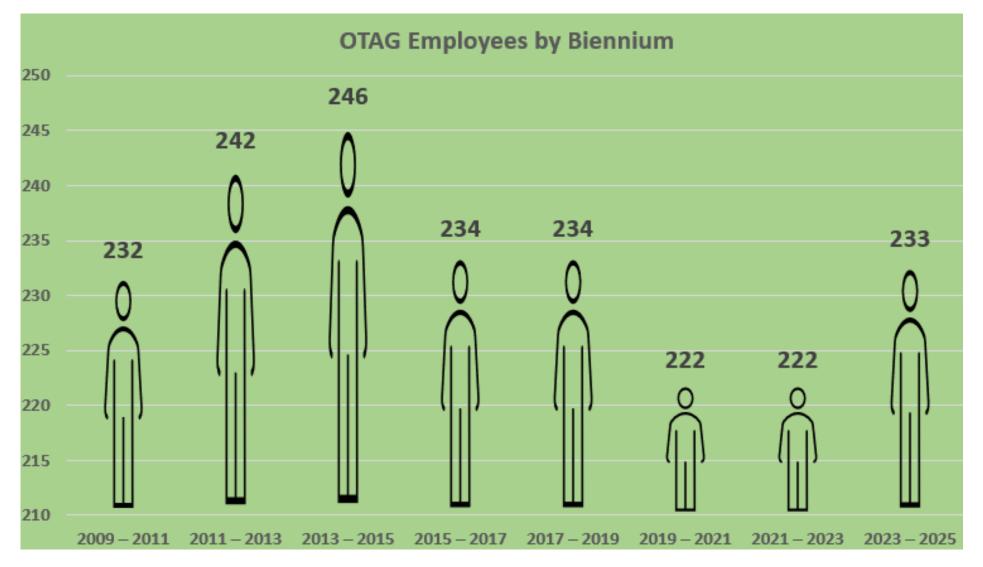
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Presented by Brig Gen Mitch Johnson, Darin Hanson, Darin Anderson, and Lt. Col. Sean Johnson *January 2025*



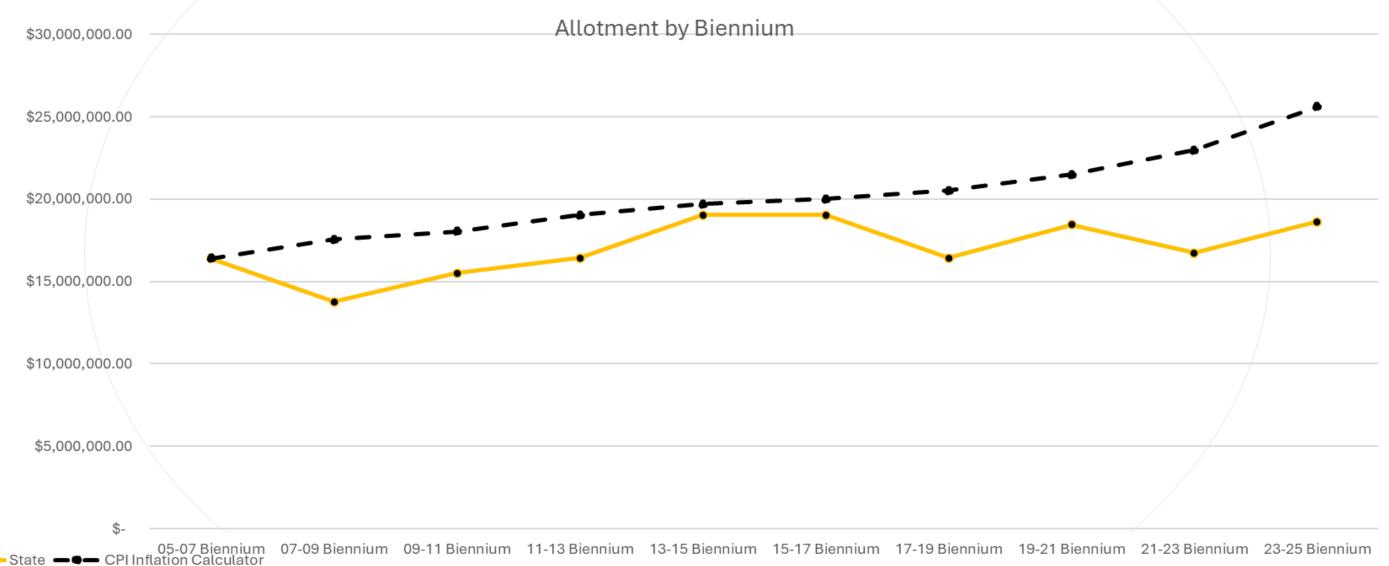
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NDNG GENERAL FUNDS VS. INFLATION



Qualified and Propensity for Military Service

	High School Juniors Ref. #1	High School Seniors Ref. #1	First Time Undergraduates: In- State* Ref. 2 ** Note 1	Total Ages 17-24 Ref. 3 & 6	Difference
Totals	8210	8002	24,904	91,558	
23% QUALIFIED to Serve in the Military (without waiver) Ref. #5	1888	1840	5728	21,058	-70,500
Propensity to Serve (Ref. #5)	16%	9%	8%	7.57%	
Total Eligible and Propensed (=# Qualified x % propensity)	302	166	458	1594	-19464

ASVAB for ND	Junior	Senior
Total	8,768	7,963
Took ASVAB in FY24	5,701	724
% of Total	65%	9%



North Dakota Military Service

	STATE	FISCAL YEAR	ARNG	ARMY	USAR	USAF	AFNG	USMC	USMC RES	NAVY	NAVY RES	COAST GUARD	DOD	DoD ARNG MKT SHARE %
4	ND	FY25 RAW	65	27	4	13	0	19	0	8	1	0	407	47.40/
	ND	FY25 Mkt Share %	47.4%	19.7%	2.9%	9.5%	0.0%	13.9%	0.0%	5.8%	0.7%	0.00%	137	47.4%
	ND	FY24 RAW	285	72	10	62	7	45	0	22	2	2	507	EC 20/
	ND	FY24 Mkt Share %	56.2%	14.2%	2.0%	12.2%	1.4%	8.9%	0.0%	4.3%	0.4%	0.39%	307	56.2%
	ND	FY23 RAW	233	59	19	41	0	34	4	17	5	0	412	EC C0/
Ī	ND	FY23 Mkt Share %	56.6%	14.3%	4.6%	10.0%	0.0%	8.3%	1.0%	4.1%	1.2%	0.00%	412	56.6%
	ND	FY22 RAW	194	55	15	25	7	45	3	13	1	1	359	54.0%
_	ND	FY22 Mkt Share %	54.0%	15.3%	4.2%	7.0%	1.9%	12.5%	0.8%	3.6%	0.3%	0.28%	333	04.070
	ND	FY21 RAW	303	86	15	72	3	83	12	47	1	1	623	48.6%
	ND	FY21 Mkt Share %	48.6%	13.8%	2.4%	11.6%	0.5%	13.3%	1.9%	7.5%	0.2%	0.16%	623	40.0%
	ND	FY20 RAW	324	92	24	90	1	121	12	74	2	2	742	43.7%
\	ND	FY20 Mkt Share %	43.7%	12.4%	3.2%	12.1%	0.1%	16.3%	1.6%	10.0%	0.3%	0.27%	742	43.776
	ND	FY19 RAW	343	79	20	90	3	148	15	46	0	2	746	46.0%
-	ND	FY19 Mkt Share %	46.0%	10.6%	2.7%	12.1%	0.4%	19.8%	2.0%	6.2%	0.0%	0.27%	740	40.0%
	TREN	Dline Raw	280	74	17	63	4	79	8	37	2	1	565	51%



2025-27 Carry Over Clause Requests

Description	Amount	Justification
Dickinson Readiness Center	\$30,200,000	Project has a projected completion date of September 2025.
Line of Communication Bridge	\$9,674,000	Project has a projected completion date of December 2025.
Camp Grafton Fitness Facility	\$11,000,000	Project has a projected completion date of February 2026.
State Tuition Assistance	\$2,750,000	Expanding appropriation authority for program administration and operating costs. Tuition assistance continues to be one of the most valuable recruiting tools for soldiers and airmen.
Range Expansion	\$1,606,280	Continue to pursue a solution with landowners.
State Active Duty Software & Maintenance	\$77,690	State Fiscal Recovery Funds were obligated prior to December 2024, and the remaining funds will be utilized for software licensing and maintenance services through April 2027.

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Cybersecurity Grants

\$314,000

The Federal FY 2022 State & Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) has a completion date of November 2026, and the federal FY 2023 SLCGP has a completion date of November 2027.

Flood Mitigation Grants

\$225,000

City of Marion project Phase I has begun; however, a large portion of Phase II will not be completed until the 2025-27 biennium.



Emergency

2025-27 Exemptions & Transfers

Title	Description
Full-Time Equivalent Position Adjustments	Increase or decrease authorized full-time equivalent positions as needed, subject to the availability of funds.
Veterans Cemetery Maintenance Fund	Appropriate additional funds received and deposited in maintenance fund for operations.
Line Item Transfers	Authority to transfer up to \$500K to the operating expenses and capital assets line items.
Estimated Income – State Disaster Relief Fund	Includes \$3,550,000 from the state disaster relief fund for the STORM Act program.
Natural Disaster Response & Recovery Grants	Includes \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief funds for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters.
Camp Grafton Expansion – Legislative Intent	Continue to receive legislative intent for Camp Grafton Range expansion.
Military Gallery	The adjutant general may accept funds including private and federal, to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery during the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general, with the approval of the governor, has entered into an agreement with the state historical society for the construction of a new facility, the renovation of an existing property, and the operations and maintenance of a military gallery.

The Critical Infrastructure State Match, Next Generation Leader Program, Civil Air Patrol SIRN

Upgrade and the STORM Act funding are declared to be emergency measures.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 1/31/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; and to provide an exemption.

8:31 a.m. Chairman Monson called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Monson, Vice Chairman Brandenburg, Representatives: Bosch, Fischer, Kempenich, Meier, Pyle.

Discussion Topics:

- North Dakota Military
- Funds for the North Dakota Military
- Department of Homeland Security Funding
- Department of Homeland Security Budgets
- New Full Time Equivalents for North Dakota
- North Dakota Insurance Reserve Fund
- Williston Armory Design Funds
- Distance Education for Next Gen Leader Program

8:32 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and submitted testimony #33189.

8:45 a.m. Cody Volk, Lieutenant Colonel Director of Facilities and Engineering for the North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and presented testimony #33189.

8:48 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General of the North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and referred previous testimony #32952.

8:55 a.m. Debbie LaCombe, Preparedness Section Chief of Homeland Security, testified in favor and continued with previous testimony #32952.

8:59 a.m. Jennifer Scheet, Director of Fiscal and Admin Services for Department of Homeland Security, testified in favor and continued with previous testimony #32952.

9:10 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and presented testimony #33189 and referenced the purple sheets for HB 1016.

9:19 a.m. Cody Volk, Lieutenant Colonel Director of Facilities and Engineering for the North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and presented testimony #33189.

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9:23 a.m. Darin Anderson, Director of North Dakota State Radio of Department of Homeland Security, testified in favor and submitted testimony #33197 and continued with previous testimony #29174.

9:30 a.m. Sean Johnson, Lieutenant Colonel Director of North Dakota Civil Air Patrol, testified in favor and presented over testimony #33189.

9:33 a.m. Chance Schaffner, Lieutenant Colonel Recruiting and Retention Battalion Commander for North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and presented over testimony #33189.

9:37 a.m. Alyssa Martin, State Director for North Dakota Center for Distance Education, testified in favor and submitted testimony #33068.

9:52 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and continued presentation over testimony # 33068.

9:55 a.m. Steve Snow, Department of Public Construction, testified in favor and submitted testimony #33193.

9:59 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and submitted testimony #33197.

10:05 a.m. Jennifer Scheet, Director of Fiscal and Admin Services for Department of Homeland Security, testified in favor and submitted testimony #33197.

10:16 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General North Dakota National Guard, testified in favor and presented testimony #33197.

10:18 a.m. Chairman Monson adjourned the meeting.

Sierra Schartz, Committee Clerk



House Bill 1016

Supporting Testimony

Submitted by Dr. Alyssa Martin, State Director, North Dakota Center for Distance Education (NDCDE)

House Appropriations – Government Operations Division

Dear Chairman Monson and Committee Members:

I am writing to support funding a full-time coordinator within the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG) to administer the Next Gen Leader Program, a leadership development initiative designed to provide structured pathways into military service for high school students.

A key component of this initiative is the Military Pathway Program, developed and delivered by NDCDE, North Dakota's only statewide public virtual school, to provide high school students with structured preparation for military careers. The program has already shown strong potential in supporting NDNG recruitment efforts, with **36 students currently enrolled** in our first course and a request for an appropriation in NDCDE's budget to waive tuition for up to 300 students.

Recognizing the value of this pathway, North Dakota is taking steps to incentivize student participation:

- The Military Pathway Program has been incorporated into the <u>Choice Ready Framework</u>, ensuring it counts toward fulfilling the "Military Readiness" component of this framework.
- HB 1404, if passed, will add the program to state scholarship requirements, further encouraging students to
 enroll.

While NDCDE provides curriculum, instruction, and course delivery, on-the-ground support, coordination, and student engagement are critical to maximizing the program's impact. This is where the requested Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator position within NDNG is essential.

How the Military Pathway Program Prepares Students for Military Careers

The Military Pathway Program consists of courses designed in collaboration with NDNG to introduce students to military careers, develop leadership skills, and prepare them for service. These include:

- Introduction to Military Careers Explores career pathways in all branches of service, rank structures, and expectations of service members.
- ASVAB Essentials: Skills for Military Success Helps students develop skills needed to perform well on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB), a key factor in military job placement.
- Military Health & Fitness Focuses on physical and mental readiness, including fitness training, nutrition, stress management, and military fitness requirements.

- Career Foundations in Military Leadership Builds teamwork, decision-making, and ethical leadership skills critical for success in military roles.
- Military Leadership Capstone Offers hands-on career exposure, job shadowing opportunities with NDNG personnel, and leadership experiences.

The Role of the Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator

The Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator will ensure students receive structured, real-world military learning experiences that complement their coursework. Many assignments in the Military Pathway Program require students to engage in military-related activities, such as job shadowing, leadership training, and physical fitness assessments. The coordinator will work within NDNG and NDCDE to develop these opportunities, ensuring students can complete required course components in a meaningful and relevant way.

The coordinator will furthermore help NDCDE keep new military course standards current and aligned with the military's evolving demands and operations. Additionally, as North Dakota considers new ESPB teaching requirements for military instructors, the coordinator will validate credentials for teachers interested in teaching new military preparation courses once these requirements are finalized.

A key component of NDCDE's instructional model is the learning coach, a designated adult responsible for supervising exams, helping students stay on pace, and troubleshooting challenges. For the Military Pathway Program, NDNG recruiters will serve as learning coaches, allowing them to:

- Build relationships with students considering military service.
- Provide real-world military context to coursework.
- Reinforce discipline, leadership, and military expectations.

The Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator will:

- Train and assign recruiters as learning coaches.
- Monitor student progress and engagement.

Why This Investment Matters

Funding this position will:

- Ensure compliance with new ESPB military instructor standards.
- Expand structured military career preparation for North Dakota students.
- Strengthen NDNG recruitment efforts by fostering early engagement.
- Ensure students receive meaningful, hands-on military learning experiences.
- Create a sustainable pipeline of career-ready recruits.

Without this dedicated role, the program's ability to support NDNG recruitment efforts and grow statewide will be limited.

The Next Gen Leader Program, administered by NDNG, will support NDCDE's Military Pathway Program through this coordinator position. This collaborative model ensures students receive structured support, mentorship, and real-world military experiences that prepare them for service. I respectfully urge the committee to fund the Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator to ensure this initiative's continued growth, success, and impact.

Sincerely,

Alyssa Martin, Ph.D.

NDCDE State Director

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS: GOVERNMENT OPS DIV.

Office of the Adjutant General

National Guard | State Radio | Homeland Security | Civil Air Patrol

Presented by Brig Gen Mitch Johnson, Darin Hanson, Darin Anderson, and Lt. Col. Sean Johnson *January 2025*

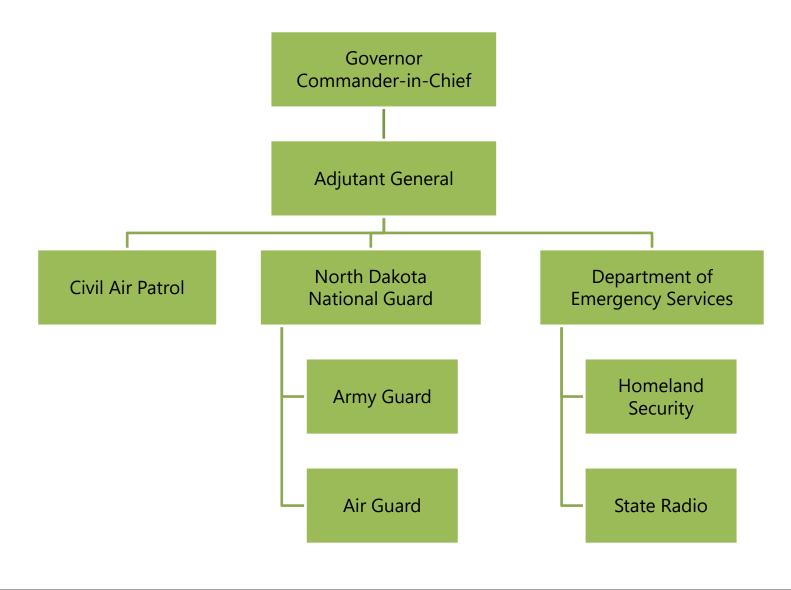


Office of The Adjutant General (OTAG)

State FTEs	233
NDNG	159
DES-HLS	40
DES-SR	33
CAP	1

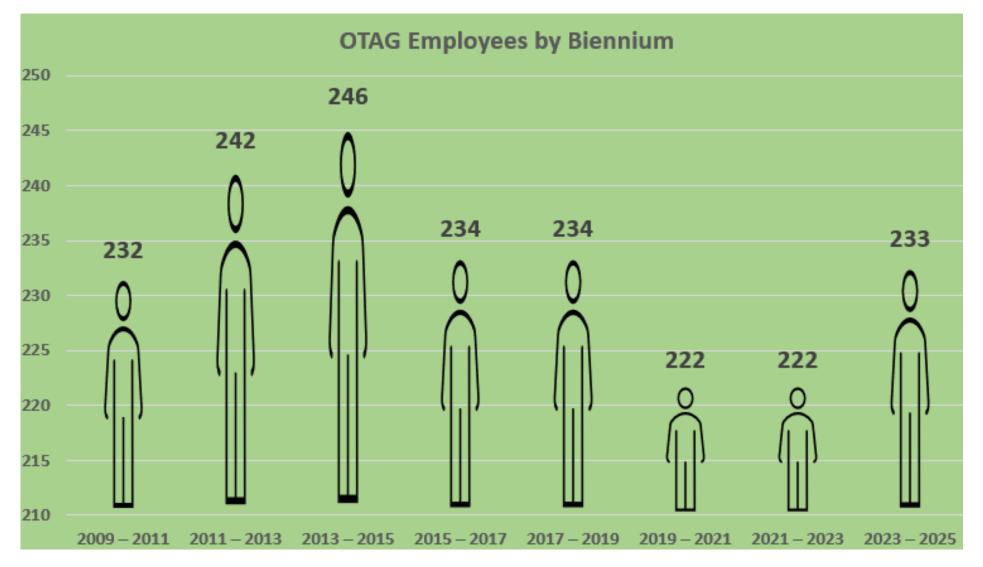
NDNG Federal FTEs 1,066

State Reserve Forces4,420NDNG4,100CAP320





Office of The Adjutant General (OTAG)





AGENCY MISSIONS

State Radio: Provide around-the-clock 911 emergency dispatch services that deploy federal, state, and local first responders to protect lives and property.

Homeland Security: Protect the homeland against all threats and coordinate a whole of government/society response in times of disaster or emergency.

Civil Air Patrol: Volunteers Serving America's Communities, Saving Lives, and Shaping Futures.

National Guard: Provide ready units, individuals and equipment to support our communities, state and nation.



STATE RADIO HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS





Mr. Darin Anderson

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No other State Emergency Communication Center in the Nation like us

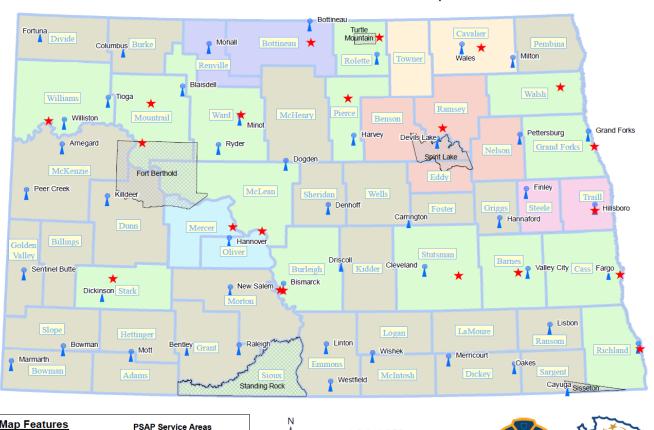
24/7/365 Operations

26 Counties, responders and State Law Enforcement (HP, G&F, DOCR, Parks & Rec LE, etc.)

26 counties equate to just under 100k people and 34.9k sq miles of land

State LE equates to 783k people & 107k miles of roads

State Radio Service Area Map











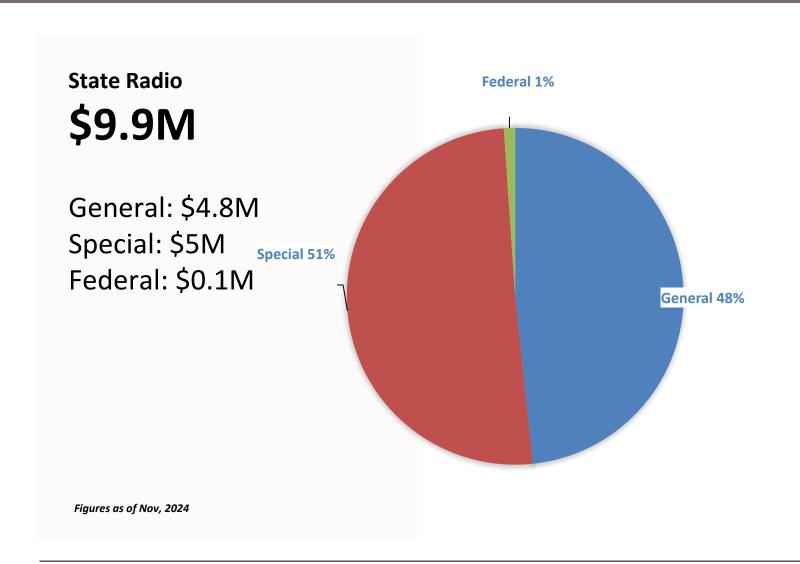
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VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA





The Law Enforcement Switch handles over 7M queries per month – that's 2.7 queries per second

17,905 average monthly State Radio calls Including average of 78 emergency calls per day

222,834 Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) Events in 2024



BUDGET INITIATIVES



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Redundant Message Switch (Law Enforcement Query System)	Add a redundant instance of the law enforcement message switch	\$525,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	This system is a "No Fail Mission" and is currently running with a single point of failure. We must ensure continuity of operations





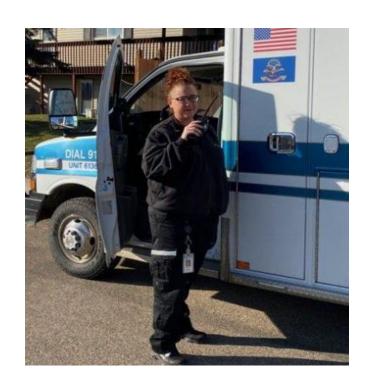




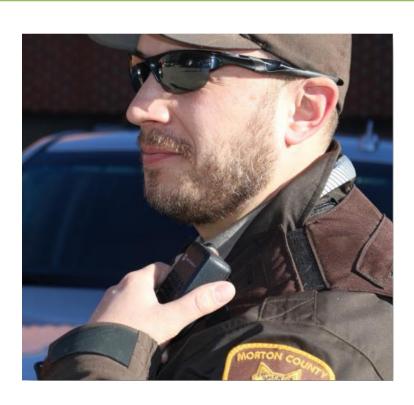
BUDGET INITIATIVES



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Statewide Interoperability Radio Network (SIRN) Costs	Procure and implement recording system compatible with new SIRN Radio system	\$495,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Comply with CC ability to record for open records and quality assurance









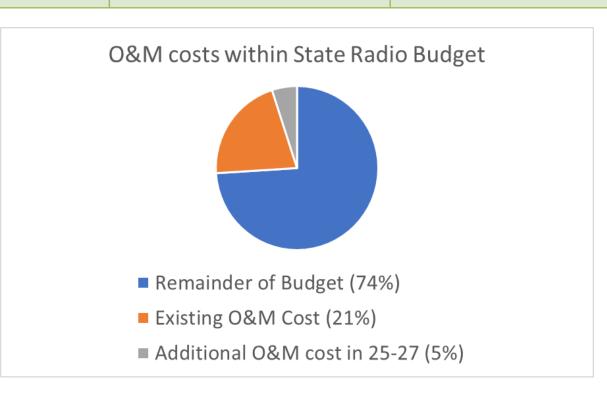
BUDGET INITIATIVES



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
NDIT O&M costs	Provide increased funding for NDIT Public Safety team operations & maintenance costs	\$509,232 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Maintain the published costs to local jurisdictions

State Radio required to set 911 fees by June 30th and provide them to 911 Counties.

NDIT O&M cost increases not reported to State Radio until August.



HOMELAND SECURITY

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS



Mr. Darin Hanson

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2023 VALUE FOR ND





Comprehensive
Preparation

Provide mission-specific training to 500+ individuals

Conduct 5+ exercises yearly

Response

Effectiveness

Participated in 24
alerting situations; 100%
locating success for the
17 events meeting
criteria

Recovery

disasters

Distribution

Distributed \$85.8M in disaster assistance
Managed 10 declared

Mitigation

Matters

For every \$1 spent on mitigation, the state saves \$6.54 in recovery cost
Projects awarded in 2023 (\$128M) will save the state an estimated \$837.12M



VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA

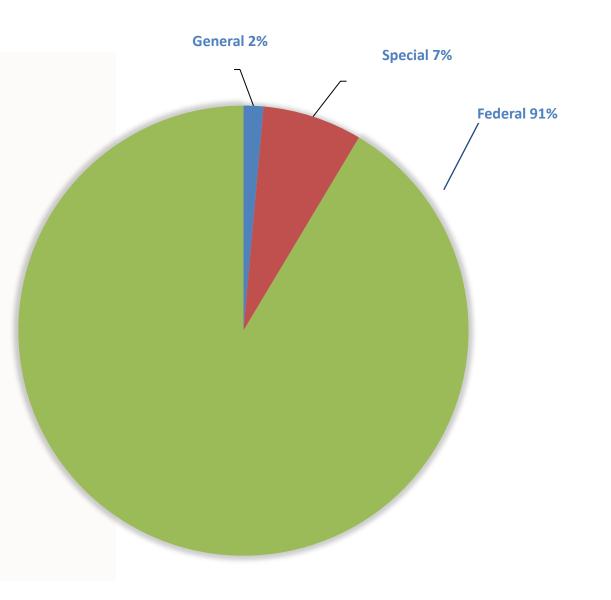


\$315.7M

General: \$4.5M

Special: \$22.6M

Federal: \$288.7M



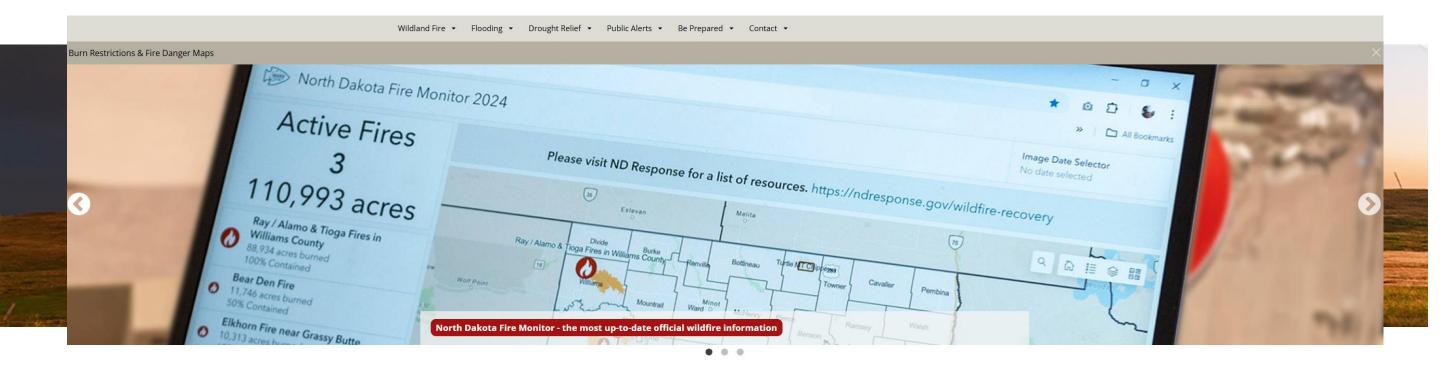
FEDERAL FUNDS SPENT THRU NOV

\$54.6M to Local Jurisdictions 75% \$11.7M to State Agencies 16% \$6.7M to DES 9%

Figures as of Nov, 2024



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes	
ND Response Website	Assume costs of running the website from NDIT	\$87,336 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Continue current operations, robust public alerting, and continuity of government	



Welcome to ND Response

Your single source for accurate and timely information during major, pressing incidents impacting North Dakota citizens.



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes	
Emergency Response Funding	Move this persistent one-time funding into base budget	\$2,000,000 (DRF, Ongoing Funding)	To ensure response to all disasters, especially the smaller ones when federal dollars may not be immediately available	









Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes	
Watch Center FTEs	Fund 2 additional Watch Center FTE positions	\$462,426 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Maintain 24-hour watch center operations sustainably Appropriately staff the Watch Center	

















24-HOUR STAFFING

Funded & Filled

Funded & Filled

Funded & Filled

Funded & Filled

Unfunded, borrowed Unfunded, borrowed

FT Temp

FT Temp



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Federal Authority Capital Assets	Authority to spend federal money, should it become available	\$660,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority)	To purchase UAS Equipment, Commercial geospatial software, interactive emergency preparedness display, and three generators











Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
STORM Act	Receive federal fund authority and authorization to spend DRF.	\$35,500,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority) \$3,550,000 (DRF, 1x Funds)	23-25 legislature approved a revolving loan fund to utilize the federal STORM Act and appropriated \$1M of DRF auth to provide for the 10% state match. The revolving loan fund allows locals to borrow funds for mitigation projects at better terms than are available in the market. The loans count as the local share for federal grant purposes. Applications far exceeded the available match in the first year alone. We aim to increase the authority available in the 25-27 biennium, adding \$35.5M of federal authority and an emergency clause to execute the grant dollars for the current and next biennium. *STORM Act is currently only funded thru 2027.



STORM Act Funding 2023-25 & 2025-27 Biennium

_	2023-25	2025-27	Total
Federal	\$ 16,623,077	\$18,876,923	\$35,500,000
Disaster Relief Fund (DRF)	1,662,308	1,887,692	3,550,000
Total	\$ 18,285,385	\$20,764,615	\$39,050,000

NOTE: For the 2023-25 biennium, the agency received \$1,000,000 of DRF appropriation for the STORM Act match. The agency has not spent any of those funds to date.

The amounts shown above for the 2023-25 biennium are needed in full with an emergency clause, or the agency can utilize the \$1M of DRF funds we have been appropriated and would then be seeking an additional \$662.308 of DRF authority along with the \$16,623,077 in federal fund authority.

CIVIL AIR PATROL

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS





North Dakota Wing Info

Squadrons



-Cadet

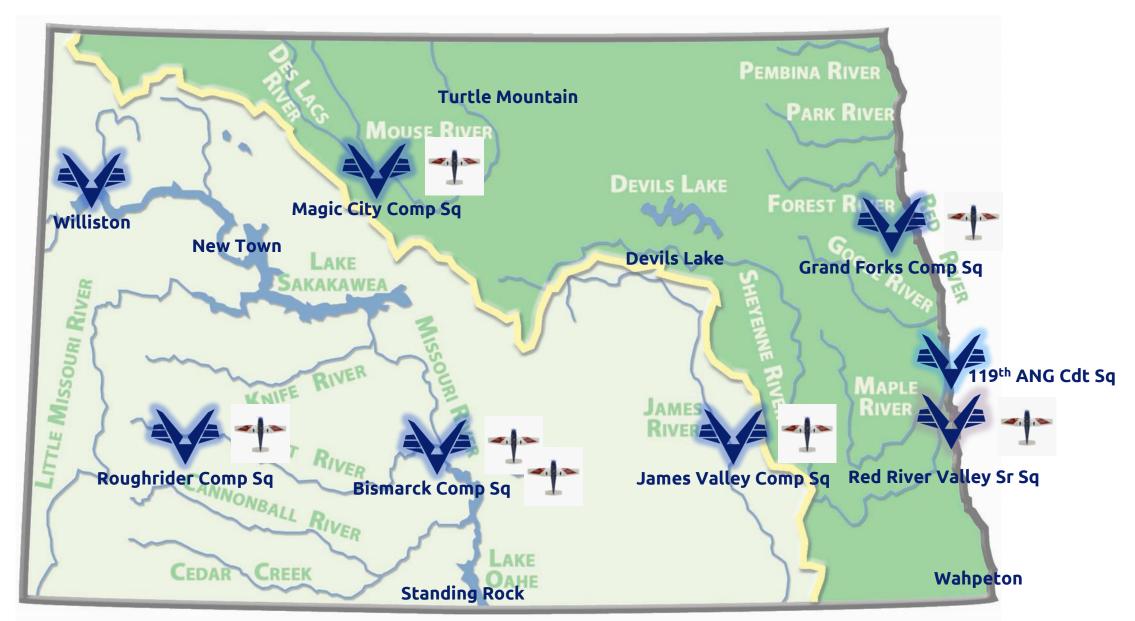


-Senior



-Composite

209 Seniors118 Cadets (ages 12-21)7 Cessna Aircraft **







Our Core Competencies



Aerospace Education

- K-12 curriculum
- STEM Education
- STEM Kits
- Classroom support
- Career exploration
- Flight training



Youth Programs

- Leadership training
- Character development
- Aviation initiatives
- Physical fitness
- Career exploration
- Special activities



Emergency Services

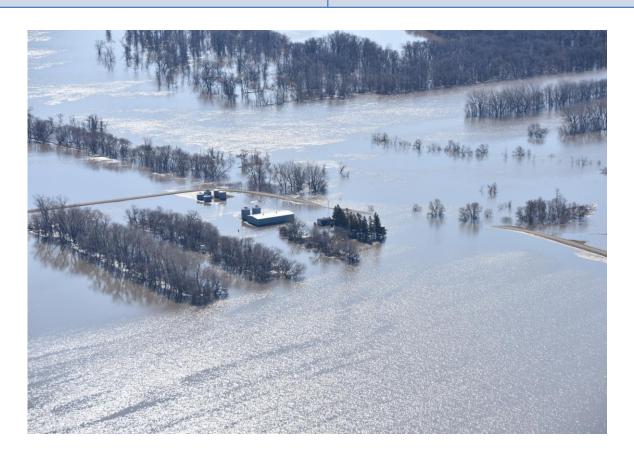
- Aerial imagery
- Search & Rescue
- Transport
- sUAS "drone" support
- Joint military training





Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
SIRN Upgrade	Acquire SIRN-compliant radio systems for response	\$250,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Interoperability with other state and local responders







Bottom line up front

- Can reduce SIRN One Time Funding ask to \$206,426 (17% reduction)
- Original ask based on the Motorola APXNext Radio
 - SIRN Compatible
 - Live Streaming
 - SMS
 - Asset Geolocation
- Very recent feedback indicates APXNext not suitable
- Pivot to APX 6000





Per Unit cost analysis – APX 6000



Item Number	Description	Unit List Price	State Contract Price	Ext. Sale Price
APX™ 6000 Series				
H98UCF9PW6BN	APX6000 700/800MHz Model 2.5 Portable*	\$3,667.00	\$2,157.00	\$2,157.00
G996AU	Over The Air Programming (OTAP) Over P25	\$110.00	\$66.00	\$66.00
Q361AR	P25 9600 Baud Trunking	\$330.00	\$198.00	\$198.00
QA09008AA	Group Services Reprogramming	\$165.00	\$99.00	\$99.00
QA09001AB	WiFi Access	\$330.00	\$198.00	\$198.00
H38BT	Smartzone Operation	\$1,320.00	\$792.00	\$792.00
Q806BM	Astro Digital Common Air Interface (CAI) Operation	\$567.00	\$340.20	\$340.20
PMMN4065A	Microphone, Impres RSM, IP57	\$106.70	\$80.03	\$80.03
NNTN8860A	Charger, Single-unit, Impres 2, 3a, 115vac, Us/Na	\$186.50	\$98.91	\$98.91

Cost Per Unit \$4,029.14



Fielding cost

ltem	Quantity	Measure	Unit	Total
Aircraft Radios	7	EA	\$ 4,029.14	\$ 28,203.98
Aircraft Backup/Donor Radio	1	EA	\$ 4,029.14	\$ 4,029.14
Wing HQ/State Emergency Operations Center Radio	1	EA	\$ 4,029.14	\$ 4,029.14
Key Vehicle Radios	5	EA	\$ 4,029.14	\$ 20,145.70
Incident Commanders/Incident Command Posts Radios	5	EA	\$ 4,029.14	\$ 20,145.70
Radio Accessories	20	EA	\$ 250.00	\$ 5,000.00
Aircraft Compatibility	8	EA	\$ 12,650.00	\$ 101,200.00
10% Contingency	1	LS	\$ 18,673.00	\$ 18,673.00
Training	1	LS	\$ 5,000.00	\$ 5,000.00

Fielding Cost \$ 206,426.66

ND NATIONAL GUARD

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS



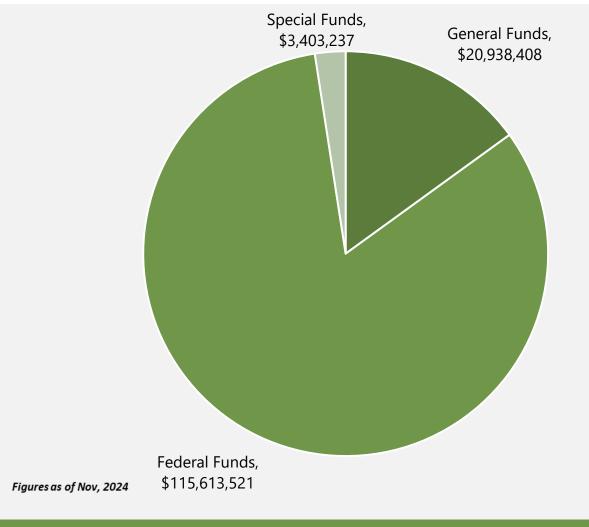
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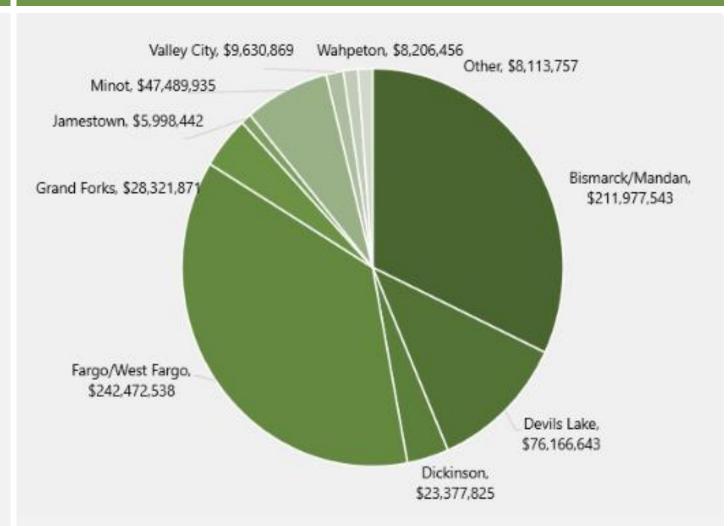


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2023-25 Budget



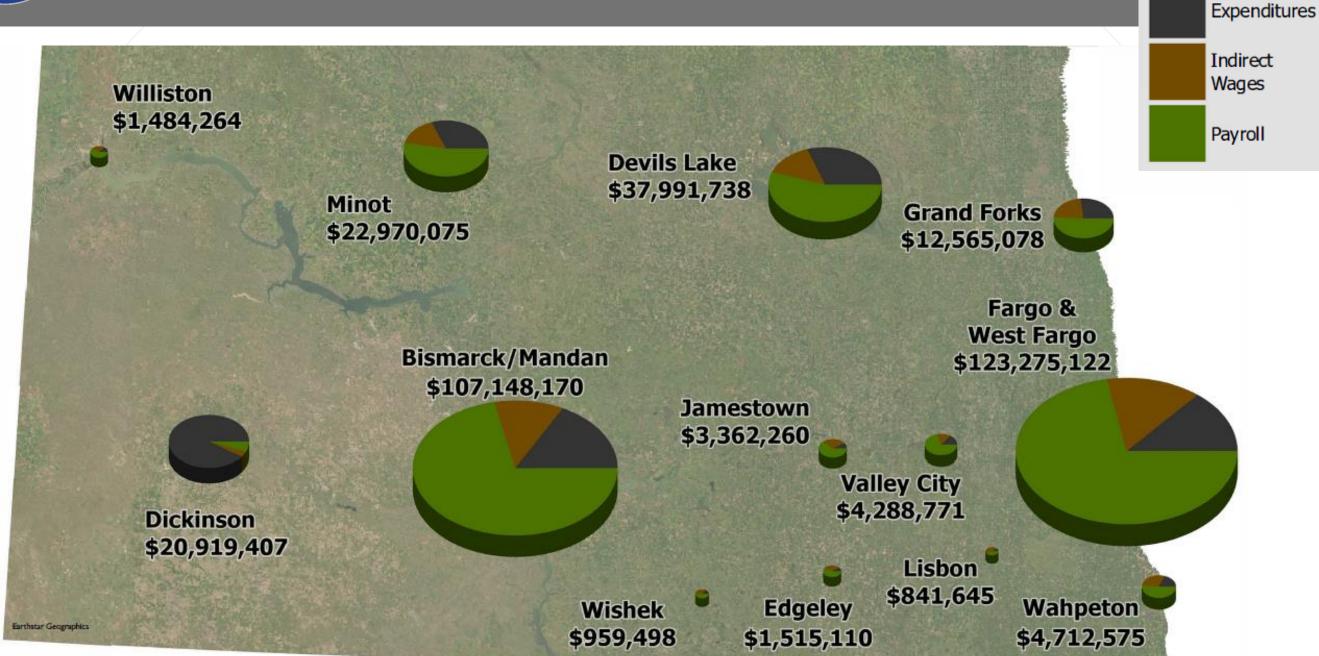
2022-23 Economic Impact



\$21M investment returns ready reserve forces for emergencies and \$661M in economic impact.

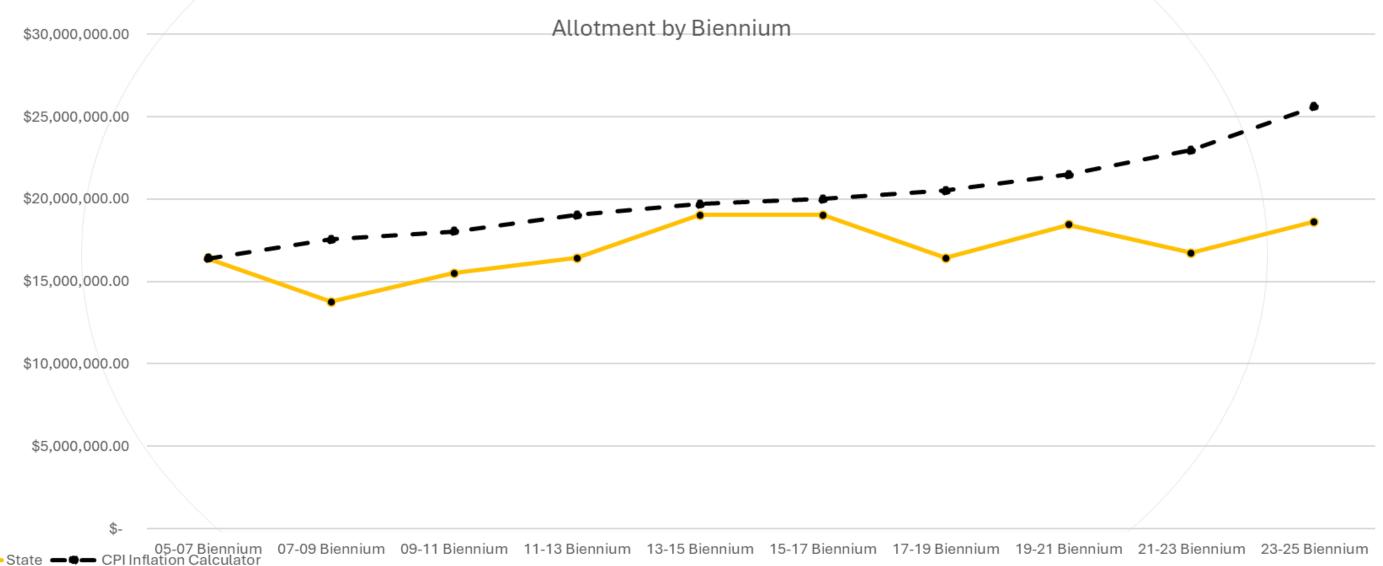


FY23 NATIONAL GUARD ECONOMIC IMPACT = \$342M





NDNG GENERAL FUNDS VS. INFLATION



Qualified and Propensity for Military Service

	High School Juniors Ref. #1	High School Seniors Ref. #1	First Time Undergraduates: In- State* Ref. 2 ** Note 1	Total Ages 17-24 Ref. 3 & 6	Difference
Totals	8210	8002	24,904	91,558	
23% QUALIFIED to Serve in the Military (without waiver) Ref. #5	1888	1840	5728	21,058	-70,500
Propensity to Serve (Ref. #5)	16%	9%	8%	7.57%	
Total Eligible and Propensed (=# Qualified x % propensity)	302	166	458	1594	-19464

ASVAB for ND	Junior	Senior
Total	8,768	7,963
Took ASVAB in FY24	5,701	724
% of Total	65%	9%



North Dakota Military Service

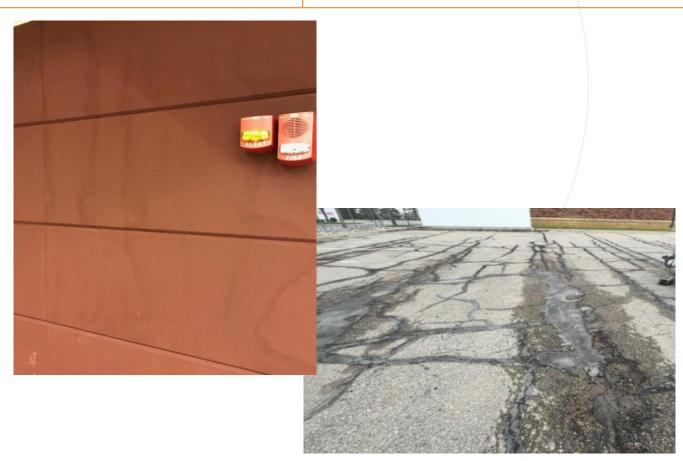
	STATE	FISCAL YEAR	ARNG	ARMY	USAR	USAF	AFNG	USMC	USMC RES	NAVY	NAVY RES	COAST GUARD	DOD	DoD ARNG MKT SHARE %
4	ND	FY25 RAW	65	27	4	13	0	19	0	8	1	0	407	47.40/
	ND	FY25 Mkt Share %	47.4%	19.7%	2.9%	9.5%	0.0%	13.9%	0.0% 5.8% 0.7%		0.7%	0.00%	137	47.4%
	ND	FY24 RAW	285	72	10	62	7	45	0	22	2	2	507	EC 20/
	ND	FY24 Mkt Share %	56.2%	14.2%	2.0%	12.2%	1.4%	8.9%	0.0%	4.3%	0.4%	0.39%	307	56.2%
	ND	FY23 RAW	233	59	19	41	0	34	4	17	5	0	412	EC C0/
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	ND	FY22 RAW	194	55	15	25	7	45	3	13	1	1	359	54.0%
_	ND	FY22 Mkt Share %	54.0%	15.3%	4.2%	7.0%	1.9%	12.5%	0.8%	3.6%	0.3%	0.28%	333	34.0%
	ND	FY21 RAW	303	86	15	72	3	83	12	47	1	1	623	48.6%
	ND	FY21 Mkt Share %	48.6%	13.8%	2.4%	11.6%	0.5%	13.3%	1.9%	7.5%	0.2%	0.16%	623	40.0%
	ND	FY20 RAW	324	92	24	90	1	121	12	74	2	2	742	43.7%
\	ND	FY20 Mkt Share %	43.7%	12.4%	3.2%	12.1%	0.1%	16.3%	1.6%	10.0%	0.3%	0.27%	742	43.776
	ND	FY19 RAW	343	79	20	90	3	148	15	46	0	2	746	46.0%
	ND	FY19 Mkt Share %	46.0%	10.6%	2.7%	12.1%	0.4%	19.8%	2.0%	6.2%	0.0%	0.27%	740	40.0%
	TREN	Dline Raw	280	74	17	63	4	79	8	37	2	1	565	51%



Infrastructure Maintenance and Repair

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Critical Infrastructure State Match	Increase ability to perform maintenance and repairs on facilities with state cost share.	\$6,000,000 (\$1.5M General, Ongoing Funding; \$4.5M SIIF, 1x Funds)	Extend the life span of the 330 NDNG state facilities.

- \$1,500,000 general funds in base budget
- \$4,500,000 SIIF one-time funds
- 330 buildings with state cost share
- 2.5M sq/ft, 23% state match required
- 4:1 Federal funds ROI
- The annual maintenance requirement for the State on just the 9 Readiness Center Building is \$2.6M. The annual per square foot maintenance costs for the Readiness Center's came from the Office of the Secretary of Defense Facility Sustainment Model.





Infrastructure Insurance Increase

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Infrastructure Insurance	Increase insurance coverage on NDNG facilities.	\$790,853 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Properly insured infrastructure in case significant damage occurs.

- 330 buildings with state cost share
- Readiness Centers are more than 50% under insured
- NDNG Infrastructure is under insured by \$280M
- Raymond J. Bohn Readiness Center (Bismarck ND) - Current Insurance Replacement Value = \$17,705,800; NDIFR Suggested Replacement Value = \$52,475,900





Regional Training Institute

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Regional Training Institute(RTI) Authority	Receive authority to use federal funds for construction of additional lodging for the RTI.	\$34,000,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority)	Sufficient lodging to support the federal mission of the RTI.



- Billeting Wing Addition
- 35% Conceptual Design is complete
- 65% Preliminary Design submitted to National Guard Bureau for review in Dec 24
- Project ready for bid by Oct 2025
- Zerr-Berg Architect and Engineer

\$34 Million Federal Funds Requiring State Authority

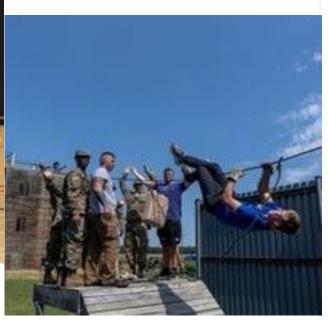


Leadership Pilot Program FTEs

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Next Generation Leadership Pilot Program with Emergency Clause	Establish a program like JROTC Program.	(2) FTEs at \$518,612 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Expose more youth to military values, culture, and history.

- Supplements Junior ROTC programs that currently exist in four communities
- Coordination with Dept of Public Inst. Center for Distance Education (CDE)
- Compliments the CDE Military Pathways distance learning program.
- Supports Choice Ready Program







Williston Armory Design Funds

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Williston Readiness Center Design Funds	Design a facility for Alpha Battery who relocated to Williston in 2023.	\$2,500,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Positioned to request funds and construct a purpose-built facility on land designated by the city.

- \$2.5 Million in design funds
- Future state request for construction, estimated \$29 Million
- Federal Construction would be 2040 at earliest
- Once built operations and maintenance is 50/50 cost share
- Alpha Battery 1-188 Air Defense Artillery
- 63 Soldiers (3 FT NG Staff)
- 35K sq/ft Readiness Center w/ 6k sq/ft vehicle storage
- 26 acres provided by the City of Williston in 2014 with estimated value of \$6M+ designed for an armory adjacent to the High School.





Construction Coordinator

federal funding authority)

(Repurpose existing FTE, adjust

Full Time Equivalents

Request	Funding Source	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Supervisor (1 New FTE)	50% General/50% Federal	\$193,192	Appropriate facility staff to support the operations and maintenance of a newly constructed readiness center.

Continuation of Funding for the 2 FTEs

Dickinson Readiness Center FTF authorized last session and funded for a 50% General/50% Federal \$373,234 (Funding Continuation for 2 FTEs) portion of the current biennium. Continuation of Funding for the FTE Camp Grafton Training Center

Fitness Facility (Funding Continuation 50% General/50% Federal \$168,768 for 1 FTE)

authorized last session and funded for a portion of the current biennium.

Convert critical positions from temporary to \$191,871 (Admin) ND Veterans Cemetery Admin & permanent to decrease turnover and 100% Special Funds Facility FTEs (2 New FTE)

\$194,611 (Facility)

increase productivity and assistance with additional duties and maintain operations. Appropriate staffing will create efficiency of 100% Federal Funds \$273,604 the office in managing all current and future construction projects.



2025-27 Carry Over Clause Requests

Description	Amount	Justification
Dickinson Readiness Center	\$30,200,000	Project has a projected completion date of September 2025.
Line of Communication Bridge	\$9,674,000	Project has a projected completion date of December 2025.
Camp Grafton Fitness Facility	\$11,000,000	Project has a projected completion date of February 2026.
State Tuition Assistance	\$2,750,000	Expanding appropriation authority for program administration and operating costs. Tuition assistance continues to be one of the most valuable recruiting tools for soldiers and airmen.
Range Expansion	\$1,606,280	Continue to pursue a solution with landowners.
State Active Duty Software & Maintenance	\$77,690	State Fiscal Recovery Funds were obligated prior to December 2024, and the remaining funds will be utilized for software licensing and maintenance services through April 2027.
Cybersecurity Grants	\$31/1 000	The Federal EV 2022 State & Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) has a

through April 2027.

Cybersecurity Grants

\$314,000 The Federal FY 2022 State & Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) has a completion date of November 2026, and the federal FY 2023 SLCGP has a completion date of November 2027.

Flood Mitigation Grants

\$225,000 City of Marion project Phase I has begun; however, a large portion of Phase II will not be completed until the 2025-27 biennium.



Emergency

2025-27 Exemptions & Transfers

Title	Description
Full-Time Equivalent Position Adjustments	Increase or decrease authorized full-time equivalent positions as needed, subject to the availability of funds.
Veterans Cemetery Maintenance Fund	Appropriate additional funds received and deposited in maintenance fund for operations.
Line Item Transfers	Authority to transfer up to \$500K to the operating expenses and capital assets line items.
Estimated Income – State Disaster Relief Fund	Includes \$3,550,000 from the state disaster relief fund for the STORM Act program.
Natural Disaster Response & Recovery Grants	Includes \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief funds for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters.
Camp Grafton Expansion – Legislative Intent	Continue to receive legislative intent for Camp Grafton Range expansion.
Military Gallery	The adjutant general may accept funds including private and federal, to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery during the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general, with the approval of the governor, has entered into an agreement with the state historical society for the construction of a new facility, the renovation of an existing property, and the operations and maintenance of a military gallery.

The Critical Infrastructure State Match, Next Generation Leader Program, Civil Air Patrol SIRN

Upgrade and the STORM Act funding are declared to be emergency measures.



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TESTIMONY ON HB 1016

House Appropriations, Government Operations Division January 31, 2025

By: Steve Snow, Integration System Specialist 701-328-2236

North Dakota Department of Public Instruction

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

My name is Steve Snow, and I am the System Integration Specialist for the Department of Public Instruction (DPI). I am here to speak in favor of HB 1016.

We support adding a full-time coordinator within the North Dakota National Guard to administer the Next Gen Leadership Program. The position would oversee the leadership development program designed to provide a structured pathway for our North Dakota learners to become military ready, a key component of our Choice Ready initiative. It would dovetail nicely in the Military Pathway Program developed by the Center for Distance Education. We stand ready and are willing to provide necessary credentialling and partner with our fellow state agencies.

Chairman Monson and Members of the Committee, that concludes my prepared testimony, and I will stand for any questions that you may have.

Office of the Adjutant General 2025-27 FTE Summay

New	FTE	
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Division	Requests	Position	0	General	ı	Federal	Special		Total	Comments	
NG	1	Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Sup	\$	90,416	\$	90,416	\$ ₩	\$	180,832	New FTE	
NG	1	Veterans Cemetery Administrative Position		-		=	179,512		179,512	New FTE	
NG	1	Veterans Cemetery Maintenance Position				<u>*</u>	194,611		194,611	New FTE	
NG	2	Next Generation Leader Program		488,590		=	-		488,590	New FTE	
HLS	2	Watch Center Positions		435,336			161		435,336	New FTE	
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Items below are existing FTE positions.

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NG	0	Construction Coordinator	\$	- \$	257,694	\$	·	\$ 257,694	No new FTE ask. Repurposing a Security Forces position authorized for the 2023-25 biennium. Security Forces saw a decrease in funding and is unable to fill. The amount on the long sheet is federal authority under our Army Guard line for repurposing the existing FTE position.
NG	0	Dickinson Readiness Ctr partially funded FTEs	186,	618	186,616		-	373,234	The agency received (2) FTEs for the 2023- 25 biennium. The positions were authorized to fill as of January 2025 due to the projected completion of the facility. This amount is requesting funding for those (2) positions for a full biennium. The agency already has the FTE positions.
NG	0	CGTC partially funded maintenance FTE	84,	384	84,384		æ	168,768	The agency received (1) FTE for the 2023- 25 biennium. The position was authorized to fill as of May 2025 due to the projected completion of the facility. This amount is requesting funding for the position for a full biennium. The agency already has the FTE position.

Office of the Adjutant General FTE Counts by Funding Source

Budgeted Figures for the 2025-27 Biennium (excluding any new FTE Requests)

	100% General	100% Federal	100% Special	Gen/Spec	Fed/Spec	Gen/Fed	Totals
NG	18	69	. 4	5	0	61	157
HLS	6	10	2	0	6	19	43
SR	0	0	0	33	0	0	33
	24	79	6	38	6	80	233

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NG	130	82.80%
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HLS	35	81.40%
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NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES BUDGET PRIORITIES

Critical Infrastructure State Match

- Increase ability to perform required maintenance and repairs on facilities with state cost share
- Request \$6M (\$1.5M base budget, \$4.5M SIIF)
- Federal Funds ROI 3:1
- Extend the life span of the 330 NDNG state facilities

Infrastructure Insurance

- Increase insurance coverage on NDNG facilities
- Request \$790K
- NDNG Infrastructure is under insured by \$280M
- Properly insured infrastructure in case significant damage occurs





Pagional Training Institute (RTI) Authority

eceive state authority to use federal funds for construction of additional lodging for the RTI

- Request \$34M Authority to spend Federal Funds.
- 65% Preliminary Design submitted for review in Dec 2024
- Project ready for bid by Oct 2025
- Sufficient lodging to support the federal mission of the RTI



Next Generation Leadership Pilot Program - Military Pathways

- Establish a Secondary Education Pilot Program
- = Request 2 x FTEs = \$518,612
- Demand for this program has been expressed by multiple high school administrators
- Coordinating w/ DPI and Center for Distance Education is on-going
- Expose more youth to military values, culture, and history to build strong community leaders

Williston Readiness Center Design Funds

- Design a facility for Alpha Battery who relocated to Williston in 2023
- Request \$2.5M for design
- Future state request for construction, estimated \$29 Million
- Federal Construction would be 2040 at earliest
- Once built operations and maintenance is 50/50 cost share ositioned to request funds and construct a purpose-built facility on land esignated by the city



NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

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Request		Funding Source	Resource	Desired Outcomes	
Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Supervisor		50/50 State/Fed Cost \$193,192 Share		Appropriate facility staff to support the a newly constructed readiness center.	
ND Veterans Cemetery Admin (1 New FTE)		Special Funds (NDVC Foundation)	\$19 <mark>1,</mark> 871	Achieve consistency in a critical position to maintain operations.	
ND Veterans Cemetery Facility (1 New FTE)		Special Funds (NDVC Foundation)	\$194,611	Convert position from temp to permanent to decrease turnover and increase productivity.	
Dickinson Readiness Center FTEs		50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$373,234	Continuation of Funding for the 2 FTEs	
Camp Grafton Training Center Fitness Facility		50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$168,768	Continuation of Funding for the FTE authorized last session	
Construction Coordinator		100% Federal Funding	\$273,604	Appropriate staffing will create efficiency of future construction projects.	
		NDNG	POLICY		
Initiative Action Items		Action Items	Resources	Desired Outcomes	
State Active-Duty Authority Expand p		eath gratuity from \$15K o match federal benefit rotections for Service	\$100K (funded from the disaster relief fund)	Parity with federal benefits	
		embers (SMs)	Authority	SMs reimbursed for treatment/care required after SAD mission ends	
"Defend the Educate and inform legislators on Guard" negative impacts to the NG if this Legislation legislation passes		Opposition	"Defend the Guard" Legislation not adopted in North Dakota		

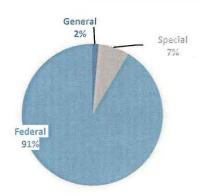
ALWAYS READY, ALWAYS THERE

FUNDING BREAKDOWNS

Homeland Security \$315.7M

General: \$4.5MSpecial: \$22.6MFederal: \$288.7M

*Figures as of Nov, 2024

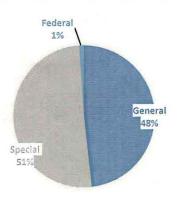


State Radio \$9.9M

General: \$4.8MSpecial: \$5.0M

Federal: \$0.1M

*Figures as of Nov, 2024



NOTABLES SINCE LAST SESSION

Homeland Security

24-Hour Watch Center

Transitioned to 24/7 operations, serving as the hub of ensor technologies and threat and hazard analysis.

\$128M Awarded in Mitigation Projects

 1st in the nation per capita in the Flood Hazard Mitigation Assistance Program

Accreditation and Recognition

 Renewed Enhanced Mitigation Plan status. ND is one of only 14 states in the nation with Enhanced status, allowing us to receive an additional 5% funding for mitigation projects after a federal disaster declaration

State Radio

Dispatcher Retention

Following market and legislative increases from last session, SR has been able to attract and retain top talent.

· Reduced new-hire turnover from 36% to 12%

Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) (yoy)

- Dispatchers answered over 248,000 calls (+8%)
- Assisted through 12,320 medical events (+.03%)

Stork Pin

Another dispatcher received their 'Stork Pin' this fall by supporting parents through the birth of their baby boy.

CHALLENGES COMING INTO THIS SESSION

Homeland Security

24-Hour Watch Center Staffing

Industry standards indicate that 8 FTEs are necessary to support 24-hour staffing. We are scraping by on 6, having shuffled positions around the agency. We have had to close on occasion due to staffing shortages.



State Radio

Tech Stack Updates and Vulnerabilities

The state-wide SIRN project is nearing completion and will bring with it notable tech updates within State Radio including a new compatible recorder.

Secondly, we're running a single point of failure on the system that allows **all** dispatch centers and law enforcement across the state to run license plates and driver's licenses – downtime on that system would be a serious failure to a critical public safety function.









Redundant Switch (LE Query System)	Add a redundant instance of the law enforcement message switch	\$525K SIIF, 1x Funds	This system is a "No Fail Mission" and is currently running with a single point of failure.
Statewide Interoperability Radio Network (SIRN) Costs	Implement recording solution compatible with new SIRN	\$495K SIIF, 1x Funds	Comply with CC ability to record for open records and quality assurance
NDIT O&M costs	Recuperate NDIT O&M costs that were given to us after publishing our costs to locals per CC	\$509K General, Ongoing	Maintain the published costs to local jurisdictions
ND Response Website	Take the cost of running the website from NDIT	\$87K General, Ongoing	Continuity of operations (currently) and continuity of government, and public alerts
Emergency Response Funding	Move this persistent one-time funding into base budget	\$2M DRF, Ongoing	To ensure response to all disasters especially the smaller ones when federal dollars may not be immediately available
Watch Center FTEs	Fund two additional Watch Center FTE positions	\$462K General, Ongoing	Maintain 24-hour watch center operations sustainably
Federal Authority Capital Assets	Authority to spend federal money in capital assets line, should funds become available	\$660,000 Federal, 1x Funding Authority	To purchase UAS Equipment, Commercial geospatial software, interactive emergency preparedness display, and three generators
		\$25 F00 000	23-25 legislature approved a revolving loan fund to utilize the federal STORM Act and appropriated \$1M of DRF auth to provide for the 10% state match. The revolving loan fund allows locals to borrow funds for mitigation projects at
STORM Act State Match	Receive federal fund authority and authorization to spend DRF	\$35,500,000 Federal, 1x Funding Authority \$3,550,000 DRF, 1x Funds	better terms than are available in the market. The loans count as the local share for federal grant purposes. Applications far exceeded the available match in the first year alone. We aim to increase the authority available in the 25-27 biennium, adding \$35.5M of federal authority and an emergency clause to execute the grant dollars for the current and next biennium. *STORM Act is currently only funded thru 2027.

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 2/7/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; and to provide an exemption.

8:34 a.m. Chairman Monson called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Monson, Vice Chairman Brandenburg, Representatives: Bosch, Fischer, Kempenich, Meier, Pyle.

Discussion Topics:

- Dickinson Readiness Center
- Communication Bridge Training Site
- Camp Grafton fitness facility
- National Guard tuition, recruiting, and retention
- Flood mitigation grants
- Veteran's cemetery positions
- FEMA grants
- Emergency Management in ND
- Watch Center
- Federal fund authority

8:35 a.m. Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General, ND National Guard, testified in favor.

8:37 a.m. Jennifer Scheet, Division Chief, Fiscal and Administrative Services, testified in favor.

8:55 a.m. Lieutenant Colonel Cody Volk, ND National Guard, testified in favor.

9:10 a.m. Darin Hanson, Division Director, Homeland Securities, testified in favor.

9:12 a.m. Debbie Lacombe, Preparedness Section Chief, Department of Emergency services, testified in favor.

Additional written testimony:

Grant Gader, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted neutral testimony #36167.

9:35 a.m. Chairman Monson adjourned the meeting.

Madaline Cooper, Committee Clerk

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Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

		Armstrong E	xecutive Budget		House Version			House Compared to Executive Budget				
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	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes											100	
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)				\$
Salary increase		601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880		565,223	1,191,210	1,756,433		(\$36,270)	(\$3,177)	(39,44
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210		404,657	940,529	1,345,185		(27,023)	(3,003)	(30,02
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386				
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844			Ale	
Removes funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool				0			(37,412)	(37,412)			(37,412)	(37,41
Removes funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool				0		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,26
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)				
Moves reintegration program to salaries and		(110-010:07	73.118-1	0		(:11) O			100	
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Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program	2.00	488,590		488,590				0	(2.00)	(488,590)		(488,59
FTE positions												
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832				0	(1.00)	(90,416)	(90,416)	(180,83
position at the Dickinson Readiness Center												
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512	1.00		179,512	179,512				
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery	1.00		180,832	180,832	1.00		180,832	180,832			V.	
maintenance position												
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435,336		435,336				0	(2.00)	(435,336)		(435,33
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at		186,618	186,616	373,234				0		(186,618)	(186,616)	(373,23
the Dickinson Readiness Center			*									
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position		84,384	84,384	168,768				0		(84,384)	(84,384)	(168,76
Adds funding to the army guard line item for an FTE construction coordinator position			257,694	257,694				0			(257,694)	(257,69
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253				
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316				
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and property taxes		(124,046)	1,120,110	(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)				
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232				
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87.336		87,336		87,336		87,336				
Adds emergency response funding		07,000	2,000,000	2,000,000		3,1003	2,000,000	2,000,000			E.	
Adjusts base funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796			-11-00	0			(2,781,796)	(2,781,79
Adjusts funding for disaster grants		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784				ALEYMINE FAR
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund		1,500,000		1,500,000		(22).21/		0		(1,500,000)	3.	(1,500,00
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance		790,853		790,853		790,853		790,853				
Total ongoing funding changes	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$46,225,343	\$52,565,405	2.00	\$3,182,482	\$42,154,527	\$45,337,008	(5.00)	(\$3,157,581)	(\$4,070,817)	(\$7,228,39

Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000				\$0
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center design			2,500,000	2,500,000			2,500,000	2,500,000				0
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch			525,000	525,000			525,000	525,000				0
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000			495,000	495,000				Ó
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund			4,500,000	4,500,000			400,000	0			(\$4,500,000)	(4,500,000)
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade			250,000	250,000			206,426	206,426			(43,574)	(43,574)
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000			660,000	660,000			(43,374)	(43,374)
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000			39,050,000	39,050,000				0
Adds wildland fire disaster funding			00,000,000	00,000,000			2,550,000	2,550,000			2,550,000	2,550,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$81,980,000	\$81,980,000		\$0	\$79,986,426	\$79,986,426	0.00	\$0	(\$1,993,574)	(\$1,993,574)
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$128,205,343	\$134,545,405	2.00	\$3,182,482	\$122,140,953	\$125,323,434	(5.00)	(\$3,157,581)	(\$6,064,391)	(\$9,221,971)
2025-27 Total Funding	240.00	\$31,951,404	\$301,176,695	\$333,128,099	235.00	\$28,793,824	\$295,112,305	\$323,906,128	(5.00)	(\$3,157,581)	(\$6,064,391)	(\$9,221,971)
Federal funds included in other funds		1-1/1/1	\$273,716,178	,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	200.00	420,100,02 4	\$272,022,273	4020,300,120	(3.00)	(40,107,001)	(\$1,693,906)	(\$3,221,371)
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	26.7%	26.5%	0.9%	12.4%	24.4%	22.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	74.1%	67.8%	0.9%	12.4%	70.6%	63.1%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540												
Section Description		Armstrong E	xecutive Budget			House	e Version					
New and vacant FTE pool line item					Section 3 prov FTE pool line i		of funding in the	new and vacant				
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund					into the Vete Sections 37-0	erans' Cemetery	s which are received maintenance further of the officers of th	nd, pursuant to				
Line item transfers					Section 5 prov	rides authority for from any line iter	the Adjutant Gene m to the operatin	eral to transfer up				
Other funds - Strategic investment and improvements fund					Section 1 is from the	om the strategic i million is for the or a State Radio	6 in the other funcestment and im Williston Readines law enforcement of 426 is for the Civilian to the Civilia	provements fund, ss Center design, redundant switch,				
Other funds - Disaster relief fund					Section 7 ider Section 1 is fro for preparing disasters, \$3.	om the state disas for, responding	on in the other for ster relief fund, of v to, and recover the STORM Ac	which \$2 million is ing from natural				
Exemption - Dickinson Readiness Center					Section 8 auth appropriation a	orizes the continu	uation of unexpend to the construction 23-25 biennium in	of the Dickinson				

Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540

Section Description	Armstrong Executive Budget	House Version	
Exemption - Line of communication bridge training site	-	Section 9 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton fitness facility		Section 10 authorizes the continuation of up to \$9 million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Tuition, recruiting, and retention		Section 11 authorizes the continuation of unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion		Section 12 authorizes the continuation of unexpended National Guard training area and facility development trust fund appropriation authority relating to the expansion of Camp Grafton for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - State active-duty software and maintenance		Section 13 authorizes the continuation of unexpended State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to replacing state active-duty software and maintenance for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Cybersecurity grants		Section 14 authorizes the continuation of up to \$314,000 in unexpended general fund appropriation authority relating to cybersecurity grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Flood mitigation grants		Section 15 authorizes the continuation of up to \$225,000 in unexpended disaster relief fund appropriation authority relating to flood mitigation grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Legislative intent - Camp Grafton		Section 16 provides legislative intent that the Adjutant General contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion and that the Adjutant General not use eminent domain for the expansion.	
North Dakota military gallery		Section 17 authorizes the Adjutant General to accept private and federal funds to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery.	
Emergency measure		Section 18 provides that subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 1, relating to the next generation leader program, STORM Act funding, and Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an emergency measure.	

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 2/12/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; and to provide an exemption.

10:16 a.m. Chairman Monson opened the meeting.

Members Present: Chairman Monson, Vice Chairman Brandenburg,

Representatives: Bosch, Fisher, Kempenich, Meier.

Members Absent: Representative Pyle

Discussion Topics:

- FTE breakdown for Adjutant General
- Payroll changes for Adjutant General
- Dickinson Training Center
- Camp Grafton FTE
- Emergency Services Authority
- Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act (STORM)

10:47 a.m. Representative Brandenburg moved amendment LC 25.0160.01001 (#37327).

10:47 a.m. Representative Bosch seconded the motion.

10:49 a.m. Jennifer Scheet, Division Chief, Fiscal and Administrative Services, answered questions for the committee.

Representatives	Vote
Representative David Monson	Υ
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Υ
Representative Glenn Bosch	Υ
Representative Jay Fisher	Υ
Representative Keith Kempenich	Υ
Representative Lisa Meier	Υ
Representative Brandy L. Pyle	AB

Motion passed 6-0-1.

10:52 a.m. Representative Brandenburg moved a Do Pass as Amended.

10:52 a.m. Representative Meier seconded the motion.

Representatives	Vote
Representative David Monson	Υ

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Representative Mike Brandenburg	Υ
Representative Glenn Bosch	Υ
Representative Jay Fisher	Υ
Representative Keith Kempenich	Υ
Representative Lisa Meier	Υ
Representative Brandy L. Pyle	AB

Motion passed 6-0-1.

Representative Brandenburg will carry the bill.

Additional written testimony:

Adam Mathiak, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted neutral testimony #37327.

Grant Gader, Fiscal Analyst, Legislative Council, submitted neutral testimony #37347.

10:53 a.m. Chairman Monson adjourned the meeting.

Madaline Cooper, Committee Clerk

25.0160.01001 Title. Fiscal No. 1 Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for House Appropriations -Government Operations Division Committee

February 11, 2025

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the
- 2 adjutant general; and to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to
- 3 declare an emergency.

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

- 5 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
- 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
- 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
- 8 federal funds, to the office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
- 9 the office of the adjutant general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
- 10 2027, as follows:
- 11 Subdivision 1.

12	NATIONAL GUARD
1/	INALIONAL COALD

13			Adjustments or	
14		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
15	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	\$0	\$7,745,742
16	Operating expenses	3,214,211	0	3,214,211
17	Capital assets	224,046	0	224,046
18	Grants	470,692	0	470,692
19	Civil air patrol	330,642	0	330,642

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1	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
2		8,928,725	0	8,928,725
3	Army guard contract	49,586,921	0	49,586,921
4	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	0	1,401,147
5	Reintegration program	900,634	<u>0</u>	900,634
6	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$0	\$76,164,995
7	Less other funds	58,308,741	<u>0</u>	58,308,741
8	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$0	\$17,856,254
9	— Subdivision 2.			
10	DEPARTN	MENT OF EMERGENC	Y SERVICES	
11			Adjustments or	
12		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
13	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$0	\$13,562,188
14	Operating expenses	6,815,567	0	6,815,567
15	Grants	27,790,000	0	27,790,000
16	Disaster costs	74,249,944	<u>0</u>	74,249,944
17	Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$0	\$122,417,699
18	Less other funds	114,662,611	<u>0</u>	114,662,611
19	Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$0	\$7,755,088
20	— Subdivision 3.			
21		SECTION 1 TOTAL		
22			Adjustments or	
23		Base Level	<u>Enhancements</u>	Appropriation
24	Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$0	\$198,582,694
25	Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	<u>0</u>	172,971,352
26	Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342	\$0	\$25,611,342
27	Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	0.00	233.00
28	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
29	New and vacant FTE pool	0	1,943,664	1,943,664
30	Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
31	Capital assets	224,046	47,749,954	47,974,000

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly

1	Grants	470.692	0	470,692
2	Civil air patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896
3	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
4	Air guard contract	8,928,725	606,916	9,535,641
5	Army guard contract	49,586,921	19.080,973	68.667,894
6	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616
7	Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	0
8	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
9	Less other funds	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
10	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
11	Subdivision 2.			
12	DEPARTM	MENT OF EMERGENC	Y SERVICES	
13			Adjustments or	
14		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
15	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$1,793,521	\$15,355,709
16	New and vacant FTE pool	0	725,676	725,676
17	Operating expenses	6,815,567	745,316	7,560,883
18	Capital assets	0	660,000	660,000
19	Grants	27,790,000	0	27,790.000
20	Disaster costs	74,249,944	78,561,155	152,811,099
21	Radio communications	0	1,020,000	1,020.000
22	Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$83,505,668	\$205,923,367
23	Less other funds	114,662,611	81,550,506	196,213,117
24	Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$1,955,162	\$9,710,250
25	Subdivision 3.			
26		SECTION 1 TOTAL		
27			Adjustments or	
28		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
29	Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$146,555,412	\$345,138,106
30	Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	141,514,374	314,485,726

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-29 biennium and which each	entity shall report to the	e appropriations
ieth legislative assembly rega	rding the use of this fun	nding:
iption		Other Funds
training institute		\$34,000,000
ate matching funds		4,500,000
ter design		2,500,000
e interoperable radio network	upgrade	206,426
bridge training site		3,674,000
nter		5,800,000
acility		2,000,000
		\$52,680,426
y services		
through Ongoing Risk Mitiga	ition Act	\$39,050,000
		2,550,000
pment		660,000
dant switch		525,000
radio network costs		495,000
gency services		\$43,280,000
		\$95,960,426
ND VACANT FTE POOL - LIF	IITATION - TRANSFER	R REQUEST. The
spend funds appropriated in	he new and vacant FTE	E pool line items
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1	within each subdivision in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in
2	House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.
3	SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In
4	addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item
5	in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds that are
6	received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections
7	37-03-14 and 39-04-10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the
8	biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
9	SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS - TRANSFERS.
10	Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall
11	transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets
12	line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general to provide for
13	the maintenance and repair of state-owned armories in this state during the biennium beginning
14	July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council
15	of any transfers made pursuant to this section.
16	SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.
17	The other funds line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$7,206,426
18	from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4,500,000 is for critical
19	infrastructure state matching funds, \$2,500,000 is for the Williston readiness center design, and
20	\$206,426 is for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade. The other
21	funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,020,000 from the
22	strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$525,000 is for the state radio law
23	enforcement redundant switch and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.
24	SECTION 7. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS - NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY
25	MUSEUM. The adjutant general may accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from
26	private and federal sources, and remit the funding to the state treasurer for deposit in the state
27	historical society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum
28	during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
29	SECTION 8. EXEMPTION - UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS. The following
30	appropriations are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued into
31	the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027:

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- Any amounts remaining for the construction of the Dickinson readiness center continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- Any amounts remaining for the line of communication bridge training site continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- The sum of \$9,000,000 appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws;
- 4. The sum of \$3,362,235 appropriated from the general fund for tuition assistance, recruiting, and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North Dakota national guard in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws, which may be used for program administration and operating costs;
- Any amounts remaining for the expansion of Camp Grafton continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the national guard training area and facility development trust fund in section 3 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- Any amounts remaining for replacing the state active duty software and maintenance continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund in subsection 24 of section 1 of chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws;
- 7. The sum of \$314,000 appropriated from the general fund for cybersecurity grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws; and
- The sum of \$225,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund for flood mitigation grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws.

SECTION 9. CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that the adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of up to one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The adjutant general may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.

SECTION 10. EMERGENCY. The following are declared to be an emergency measure:

- The sum of \$6,000,000 appropriated from the general fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund for critical infrastructure state matching funds in the army guard contract line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act;
- The sum of \$206,426 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements
 fund for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade in the civil air
 patrol line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act; and
- The sum of \$39,050,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund and federal funds for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act in the disaster costs line item of subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1016 - Summary of House Action

	Base Budget	House Changes	House Version
Adjutant General			
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
Less estimated income	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	3.00	159.08
Department of Emergency		1	
Services			
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$83,505,668	\$205,923,367
Less estimated income	114,662,611	81,550,506	196,213,117
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$1,955,162	\$9,710,250
FTE	76.92	0.00	76.92
Bill total		1	
Total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$146,555,412	\$345,138,106
Less estimated income	172,971,352	141,514,374	314,485,726
General fund	\$25,611,342	\$5,041,038	\$30,652,380
FTE	233.00	3.00	236.00

House Bill No. 1016 - Adjutant General - House Action

	Base Budget	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
New and vacant FTE pool	~ , ,	1,943,664	1,943,664
Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
Capital assets	224,046	47,749,954	47,974,000
Grants	470,692		470,692
Civil Air Patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235		3,362,235
Air Guard contract	8,928,725	606,916	9,535,641
Army Guard contract	49,586,921	19,080,973	68,667,894
Veterans' Cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616
Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
Less estimated income	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	3.00	159.08

Department 540 - Adjutant General - Detail of House Changes

	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes ¹	Adds Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ²	Adds Funding to Replace 2023-25 New and Vacant FTE Pool ³	Adds Funding for FTE Positions ⁴	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ⁵	Adjusts Base Budget Funding ⁶
Salaries and wages	(\$3,996,388)	\$182,209	\$426,513		(\$226,704)	(\$475,485)
New and vacant FTE pool					1,943,664	10 101 000
Operating expenses Capital assets						(2,401,308) (224,046)
Grants Civil Air Patrol	/24 7/4)	12,025	7,857		/44 OE 4\	24 744
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	(21,741)	12,025	1,001		(11,054)	21,741
Air Guard contract	(136,758)	389,696	408,127		(366,809)	312,660
Army Guard contract	4,268,247	1,427,574	887,086	\$980,528	(1,581,383)	7,098,921
Veterans' Cemetery	(396,722)	74,713	49,722	360,344	(436,091)	410,503
Reintegration program			43,641			(944,275)
Total all funds	(\$283,362)	\$2,086,217	\$1,822,946	\$1,340,872	(\$678,377)	\$3,798,711
Less estimated income	(534,588)	1,511,431	1,243,343	979,454	(484,577)	4,568,379
General fund	\$251,226	\$574,786	\$579,603	\$361,418	(\$193,800)	(\$769,668)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00

	Adds Funding for Infrastructure Matching and Insurance ^z	Adds One-Time Funding [®]	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages			(\$4,089,855)
New and vacant FTE pool			1,943,664
Operating expenses	\$782,311		(1,618,997)
Capital assets Grants		\$47,974,000	47,749,954
Civil Air Patrol		206,426	215,254
Tuition, recruiting, and retention Air Guard contract			606,916
Army Guard contract	1,500,000	4,500,000	19,080,973
Veterans' Cemetery	,,000,000	1,000,000	62,469
Reintegration program			(900,634)
Total all funds	\$2,282,311	\$52,680,426	\$63,049,744
Less estimated income	0	52,680,426	59,963,868
General fund	\$2,282,311	\$0	\$3,085,876
FTE	0.00	0.00	3.00

¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

 $^{^2}$ The following funding is added for 2025-27 biennium salary adjustments of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,643 to \$1,893 per month:

	General	Other	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salary increase	\$347,285	\$830,155	\$1,177,440
Health insurance increase	227,501	681,276	908,777
Total	\$574,786	\$1,511,431	\$2,086,217

³ Funding is added to replace the 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE funding pool as follows:

	General	Other	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
2023-25 new FTE pool	\$61,780	\$204,418	\$266,198
2023-25 vacant FTE pool	517,823	1,038,925	1,556,748
Total	\$579,603	\$1,243,343	\$1,822,946

⁴ Funding is added for 3 new FTE positions, 3 FTE positions that were partially funded during the 2023-25 biennium, and 1 FTE position that was unfunded as follows:

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Dickinson Readiness Center custodial supervisor position (new)	1.00	\$90,416	\$90,416	\$180,832
Veterans' Cemetery administrative position (new)	1.00	0	179,512	179,512
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance position (new)	1.00	0	180,832	180,832
Dickinson Readiness Center director position and maintenance position (previously partially funded)	0.00	186,618	186,616	373,234
Camp Grafton maintenance position (previously partially funded)	0.00	84,384	84,384	168,768
Construction coordinator position (previously unfunded)	0.00	<u>0</u>	257,694	257,694
Total	3.00	\$361,418	\$979,454	\$1,340,872

⁵ Funding of \$2,622,041 is removed for estimated savings from new and vacant 2025-27 FTE positions and \$1,943,664 is added for a new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
New FTE positions	(\$90,416)	(\$450,760)	(\$541,176)
Vacant FTE positions	(615,862)	(1.465,003)	(2.080.865)
Total	(\$706,278)	(\$1,915,763)	(\$2,622,041)
New and vacant FTE pool line item	512,478	1,431,186	1,943,664
Net savings	(\$193,800)	(\$484,577)	(\$678,377)

⁶ Base budget adjustments are made as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Adjusts funding for land and buildings	\$0	\$2,781,796	\$2,781,796
Adjusts funding for repairs	86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries	(1,097,595)	575,991	(521,604)
Adjusts funding for overtime	150	20,000	20,150
Adjusts funding for professional fees and services	55,671	(345,204)	(289,533)
Adjusts funding for rental expenses	279,800	5,000	284,800
Adjusts funding for supplies	125,647	37,930	163,577
Adjusts funding for information technology (IT) expenses	42,877	210,000	\$252,877
Adjusts funding for operating expenses, including utilities, insurance, and equipment	(139,072)	153,450	14,378
Adjusts funding for special assessments and property taxes	(124,046)	0	(124,046)
Moves reintegration program to salaries and operating line items	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	(\$769,668)	\$4,568,379	\$3,798,711

⁷ Adds \$1,500,000 for critical infrastructure state matching funds and \$782,311 for infrastructure insurance.

- \$34 million from federal fund for an addition to the Camp Grafton Regional Training Institute.
- \$2.5 million from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) for the Williston Readiness Center design.
- \$4.5 million from SIIF is added for critical infrastructure matching funds.
- \$206,426 from SIIF for a Civil Air Patrol statewide interoperable radio network (SIRN) upgrade.
- \$3,674,000 from federal funds for the line of communication bridge training site.
- \$5.8 million from federal funds for the completion of the Dickinson Readiness Center.
- · \$2 million from federal funds for the construction of a Camp Grafton fitness facility.

⁸ One-time funding is added as follows:

House Bill No. 1016 - Department of Emergency Services - House Action

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Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$1,793,521	\$15,355,709
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Capital assets	2800000000	660,000	660,000
Grants	27,790,000	***************************************	27,790,000
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General fund	\$7,755,088	\$1,955,162	\$9,710,250
FTE	76.92	0.00	76.92

Department 542 - Department of Emergency Services - Detail of House Changes

Salaries and wages	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes ¹ (\$295,759)	Adds Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ² \$938,304	Adds Funding to Replace 2023-25 New and Vacant FTE Pool ³ \$1,816,158	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ⁴ (\$948,519)	Adjusts Base Budget Funding [§] \$283,337	Adds Emergency Response Funding [§]
New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses Capital assets	(\$250,100)	ψ300,004	\$1,010,130	725,676	140,206	
Grants Disaster costs Radio communications	(259,402)	89,457	55,126	(88,161)	9,005,351	\$2,000,000
Total all funds Less estimated income	(\$555,161) 321,718	\$1,027,761 626,487	\$1,871,284 580,632	(\$311,004) (186,818)	\$9,428,894 8,736,302	\$2,000,000 2,000,000
General fund	(\$876,879)	\$401,274	\$1,290,652	(\$124,186)	\$692,592	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
	Adds Funding for Information Technology Expenses ⁷	Adds Funding for Infrastructure Insurance ⁸	Adjusts Base Budget Funding for Disaster Grants ³	Adds One-Time Funding ¹⁰	Total House Changes	
Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses	\$596,568	\$8,542			\$1,793,521 725,676 745,316	
Capital assets Grants Disaster costs Radio communications			\$26,158,784	\$660,000 41,600,000 1,020,000	78,561,155 1,020,000	
Total all funds	\$596,568 0	\$8,542 0	\$26,158,784 26,192,185	\$43,280,000 43,280,000	\$83,505,668 81,550,506	
General fund	\$596,568	\$8,542	(\$33,401)	\$0	\$1,955,162	
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

² The following funding is added for 2025-27 biennium salary adjustments of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,643 to \$1,893 per month:

	General	Other	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	Total
Salary increase	\$221,116	\$364,232	\$585,348
Health insurance increase	180,158	262,255	442,413
Total	\$401,274	\$626,487	\$1,027,761

³ Funding is added to replace the 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE funding pool as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2023-25 new FTE pool	\$978,006	\$102,182	\$1,080,188
2023-25 vacant FTE pool	312,646	478,450	791,096
Total	\$1,290,652	\$580,632	\$1,871,284

⁴ Funding of \$1,036,680 is removed for estimated savings from new and vacant 2025-27 FTE positions and \$725,676 is added for a new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	General	Other	
	Fund	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Vacant FTE positions	(\$413,952)	(\$622,728)	(\$1,036,680)
New and vacant FTE pool line item	289,766	435,910	725,676
Net savings	(\$124,186)	(\$186,818)	(\$311,004)

⁵ Base budget adjustments are made as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Adjusts funding for operating fees and services	\$5,393	\$9,176,186	\$9,181,579
Adjusts funding for IT expenses	562,589	(443,923)	118,666
Adjusts funding for overtime	67,770	135,567	203,337
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries	0	(119,597)	(119,597)
Adjusts funding for other operating expenses, including travel, supplies, and equipment	<u>56.840</u>	(11,931)	44,909
Total	\$692,592	\$8,736,302	\$9,428,894

⁶ Adds ongoing funding from the state disaster relief fund for emergency response funding.

- \$39.05 million, including \$35.5 million from federal funds and \$3.55 million from the disaster relief fund, for the STORM Act program.
- \$2.55 million, including \$2.25 million from federal funds and \$300,000 from the disaster relief fund, for wildland fire disaster assistance.
- \$660,000 from federal funds from SIIF is added for critical infrastructure matching funds.
- \$525,000 from SIIF is added for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch.
- \$495,000 from SIIF for SIRN costs.

House Bill No. 1016 - Other Changes - House Action

The amendment also adds sections to:

- · Provide for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.
- Identify \$8,226,426 from SIIF, of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching funds,
 \$2.5 million is for the Williston readiness center design, \$206,426 for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade, \$525,000 is for the State Radio law enforcement redundant switch, and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.
- Allow the Adjutant General to accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from private and federal sources, and remit the funding to the State Treasurer for deposit in the State Historical Society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum.
- Provide exemptions to continue funding appropriated into the 2025-27 biennium. The exemptions relate to the Dickinson Readiness Center construction, line of communication bridge training site, Camp Grafton

⁷ Adds \$87,336 for the North Dakota response website and \$509,232 for IT operations and maintenance costs.

⁸ Adds funding for infrastructure insurance.

⁹ Adjusts base funding for disaster grants, including an increase of \$28,394,107 from federal funds, a decrease of \$2,201,922 from special funds, and a decrease of \$33,401 from the general fund, to provide a total of \$96,489,908 for disaster grants.

¹⁰ One-time funding is added as follows:

fitness facility, tuition assistance, Camp Grafton expansion, state active duty software and maintenance, cybersecurity grants, and flood mitigation grants.

- Provide legislative intent that the Adjutant General contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of no more than one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The Adjutant General may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.
- Declare emergencies for critical infrastructure matching, the Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, and the STORM Act program.



Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

		Armstrong E	xecutive Budget			House	Version		Н	louse Compared t		et
Í											Decrease)	
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$(
025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes												
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)			8	\$0
Salary increase		601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880		568,401	1,194,387	1,762,788		(\$33,092)	18	(33,092
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210		407,659	943,531	1,351,190		(24,020)		(24,020
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386			Lis	0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844			65	(
Removes funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool				0		(9,042)	(45,076)	(54,118)		(9,042)	(\$45,076)	(54,118
Removes funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool				0		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263
Adjusts base level funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)				C
Moves reintegration program to salaries and operating				0				0				C
Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program FTE positions	2.00	488,590		488,590				0	(2.00)	(488,590)		(488,590
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision position at the Dickinson Readiness Center	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832				0
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512	1.00		179,512	179,512			6	C
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery maintenance position	1.00		180,832	180,832	1.00		180,832	180,832				
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435,336		435,336				0	(2.00)	(435,336)		(435,336
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at the Dickinson Readiness Center		186,618	186,616	373,234		186,618	186,616	373,234				C
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position at Camp Grafton		84,384	84,384	168,768		84,384	84,384	168,768				(
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator position			257,694	257,694			257,694	257,694				9
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253				
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316				0
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and property taxes		(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)				C
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232			•	0
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87,336		87,336		87,336		87,336				0
Adds emergency response funding			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000			35	0
Adjusts base level funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796			2,781,796	2,781,796				0
Adjusts base level funding for disaster grants		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784				C
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund		1,500,000		1,500,000		1,500,000		1,500,000				0
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance		790,853		790,853		790,853		790,853				0
Total ongoing funding changes	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$46,225,343	\$52,565,405	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$45,553,948	\$50,594,986	(4.00)	(\$1,299,024)	(\$671,395)	(\$1,970,419)

Adds funding for disaster response equipment Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000			39,050,000	39,050,000			2.550.000	0.550.000
			39,050,000	39,050,000							0.550.000	0.550.000
Adds funding for wildland fires			E2E 000				2,550,000	2,550,000			2,550,000	2,550,000
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch			525,000	525,000			525,000	525,000				
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000			495,000	495,000				C
Adds funding for the line of communication bridge training site				0			3,674,000	3,674,000			3,674,000	3,674,000
Adds funding for the Dickinson readiness center				0			5,800,000	5,800,000			5,800,000	5,800,000
Adds funding for the Camp Grafton fitness facility				0			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$81,980,000	\$81,980,000	0.00	\$0	\$95,960,426	\$95,960,426	0.00	\$0	\$13,980,426	\$13,980,426
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$128,205,343	\$134,545,405	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$141,514,374	\$146,555,412	(4.00)	(\$1,299,024)	\$13,309,031	\$12,010,007
2025-27 Total Funding	240.00	\$31,951,404	\$301,176,695	\$333,128,099	236.00	\$30,652,380	\$314,485,726	\$345,138,106	(4.00)	(\$1,299,024)	\$13,309,031	\$12,010,007
Federal funds included in other funds		, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	\$273,716,178				\$286,894,317		, , , ,	.,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,,	\$13,178,139	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	26.7%	26.5%	1.3%	19.7%	26.3%	25.5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	74.1%	67.8%	1.3%	19.7%	81.8%	73.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540												
Section Description		Armstrong E	xecutive Budget			House	e Version					
New and vacant FTE pool line item							of funding in the	new and vacant				
New and vacant FTE poor line item					FTE pool line i	tem.						

Other Sections	in Adj	utant G	ieneral -	Budget	No. 540
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Section Description	Armstrong Executive Budget	House Version	
New and vacant FTE pool line item		Section 3 provides for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.	
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund		Section 4 appropriates any funds which are received and deposited into the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund, pursuant to Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operations of the Veterans' Cemetery for the 2025-27 biennium.	
Line item transfers		Section 5 provides authority for the Adjutant General to transfer up to \$500,000 from any line item to the operating expenses and capital assets line items.	
Other funds - Strategic investment and improvements fund		Section 6 identifies \$8,226,426 in the other funds line item in Section 1 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching, \$2.5 million is for the Williston Readiness Center design, \$525,000 is for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch, \$495,000 is for SIRN costs, \$206,426 is for the Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade.	
North Dakota military gallery		Section 7 authorizes the Adjutant General to accept private and federal funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery.	
Exemption - Dickinson Readiness Center		Subsection 1 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	

Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540

Section Description	Armstrong Executive Budget	House Version	
Exemption - Line of communication bridge training site		Subsection 2 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
Washington Control and Control		unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line	
		of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into	
		the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton fitness facility		Subsection 3 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to \$9	
		million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund	
		appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp	
		Grafton fitness facility for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27	
¥		biennium.	
Exemption - Tuition, recruiting, and retention		Subsection 4 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
		unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting,	
		and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium, which may be used for administration and	
		operating costs.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion		Subsection 5 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
		unexpended National Guard training area and facility development	
		trust fund appropriation authority relating to the expansion of Camp	
		Grafton for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - State active-duty software and		Subsection 6 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
maintenance		unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation	
		authority relating to replacing state active-duty software and	
		maintenance for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Cybersecurity grants		Subsection 7 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to	
		\$314,000 in unexpended general fund appropriation authority	
		relating to cybersecurity grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Flood mitigation grants		Subsection 8 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to	
The state of the s		\$225,000 in unexpended disaster relief fund appropriation authority	
		relating to flood mitigation grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium.	
Legislative intent - Camp Grafton		Section 9 provides legislative intent that the Adjutant General	
The state of the s		contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp	
		Grafton expansion and that the Adjutant General not use eminent	
		domain for the expansion.	
Emergency measure		Section 10 provides that subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 1, relating	
CHECKER STATE OF STATE STATE OF STATE O		to the STORM Act funding, critical infrastructure state matching	
1		fund, and Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an	
		emergency measure.	

2025 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee

Roughrider Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 2/12/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; and to provide an exemption.

3:50 p.m. Chairman Vigesaa called the meeting to order.

Members Present: Chairman Vigesaa, Vice Chairman Kempenich, Representatives Anderson, Berg, Bosch, Brandenburg, Fisher, Hanson, Louser, Martinson, Meier, Mitskog, Monson, Murphy, Nathe, Nelson, O'Brien, Pyle, Richter, Sanford, Stemen, Swiontek, Wagner

Discussion Topics:

- Government Supply Funds
- North Dakota Adjutant General Budget
- Military Museum

3:49 p.m. Representative Brandenburg introduced Amendment LC #25.0160.01001, #37465.

- 4:16 p.m. Representative Bosch moved to excuse Representative Berg from voting.
- 4:16 p.m. Representative Monson seconded the motion.
- 4:16 p.m. Voice Vote, motion passed.
- 4:17 p.m. Representative Brandenburg moved to adopt Amendment LC #25.0160.01001.
- 4:17 p.m. Representative Monson seconded the motion.
- 4:17 p.m. Roll Call Vote

Roll Call Vote Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Υ
Representative Keith Kempenich	Υ
Representative Bert Anderson	Υ
Representative Mike Berg	Α
Representative Glenn Bosch	Υ
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Υ
Representative Jay Fisher	Υ
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Υ
Representative Scott Louser	Υ
Representative Bob Martinson	Υ
Representative Lisa Meier	Υ

Representative Alisa Mitskog	Υ
Representative David Monson	Υ
Representative Eric J. Murphy	Υ
Representative Mike Nathe	Υ
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Υ
Representative Emily O'Brien	Υ
Representative Brandy L. Pyle	Υ
Representative David Richter	Υ
Representative Mark Sanford	Υ
Representative Gregory Stemen	Υ
Representative Steve Swiontek	Υ
Representative Scott Wagner	Υ

4:18 p.m. Motion passed 22-0-1.

4:19 p.m. Representative Brandenburg motioned to further Amend to strike conflicting language.

4:19 p.m. Representative Monson seconded the motion.

4:20 p.m. Roll Call Vote

Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Υ
Representative Keith Kempenich	Υ
Representative Bert Anderson	Υ
Representative Mike Berg	Υ
Representative Glenn Bosch	Α
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Υ
Representative Jay Fisher	Υ
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Υ
Representative Scott Louser	Υ
Representative Bob Martinson	Υ
Representative Lisa Meier	Υ
Representative Alisa Mitskog	Υ
Representative David Monson	Υ
Representative Eric J. Murphy	Υ
Representative Mike Nathe	Υ
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Υ
Representative Emily O'Brien	Υ
Representative Brandy L. Pyle	Υ
Representative David Richter	Υ
Representative Mark Sanford	Υ
Representative Gregory Stemen	Υ
Representative Steve Swiontek	Υ
Representative Scott Wagner	Υ

- 4:21 p.m. Representative Brandenburg moved Do Pass as Amended.
- 4:22 p.m. Representative Stemen seconded the motion.
- 4:22 p.m. Representative Bosch moved to excuse Representative Berg from voting.
- 4:22 p.m. Representative Stemen seconded the motion.
- 4:22 p.m. Voice Vote motion passed.
- 4:22 p.m. Roll Call Vote.

Ponrocontativos	Vote
Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	Y
Representative Bert Anderson	Υ
Representative Mike Berg	Α
Representative Glenn Bosch	Υ
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Υ
Representative Jay Fisher	Υ
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Υ
Representative Scott Louser	Υ
Representative Bob Martinson	Υ
Representative Lisa Meier	Υ
Representative Alisa Mitskog	Υ
Representative David Monson	Υ
Representative Eric J. Murphy	Υ
Representative Mike Nathe	Υ
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Υ
Representative Emily O'Brien	Υ
Representative Brandy L. Pyle	Υ
Representative David Richter	Υ
Representative Mark Sanford	Υ
Representative Gregory Stemen	Υ
Representative Steve Swiontek	Υ
Representative Scott Wagner	Υ

- 4:22 p.m. Motion Passed 22-0-1.
- 4:22 p.m. Representative Brandenburg will carry the Bill.
- 4:23 p.m. Chairman Vigesaa closed the meeting.

Krystal Eberle for Sierra Schartz, Committee Clerk

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25.0160.01002 Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for House Appropriations
Fiscal No. 2 Committee

February 12, 2025

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the
- 2 adjutant general; and to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to
- 3 declare an emergency.

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

5	SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
6	as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
7	treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
8	federal funds, to the office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
9	the office of the adjutant general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
10	2027, as follows:
11	Subdivision 1.

12	NATIONAL GUARD

13			Adjustments or	
14		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
15	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	\$0	\$7,745,742
16	Operating expenses	3,214,211	0	3,214,211
17	Capital assets	224,046	0-	224,046
18	Grants	470,692	0	470,692
19	Civil air patrol	330,642	0	330,642
20	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235



Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly

- 1	Air guard contract	8,928,725	0	8,928,725
2	Army guard contract	49,586,921	0	49,586,921
3	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	0	1,401,147
4	Reintegration program	900,634	<u>0</u>	900,634
5	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$0	\$76,164,995
6	Less other funds	58,308,741	<u>0</u>	58,308,741
7	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$0	\$17,856,25 4
8 9	——Subdivision-2. DEPARTI	MENT OF EMERGENCY		
10		E	Adjustments or	
11		Base Level	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
12	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$0	\$13,562,188
13	Operating expenses	6,815,567	0	6,815,567
14	Grants	27,790,000	0	27,790,000
15	Disaster costs	74,249,944	<u> </u>	74,249,944
16	Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$0	\$122,417,699
17	Less other funds	114,662,611	<u>0</u>	<u>114,662,611</u>
18	Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$0	\$7,755,088
19 20	— Subdivision 3.	SECTION 1 TOTAL		
21	A Lawrence of the Control of the Con		Adjustments or	
22		Base Level	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
23	Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$0	\$198,582,694
24	Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	<u> </u>	<u>172,971,352</u>
25	Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342		\$25,611,342
26	Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	0.00	233.00
27	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
28	New and vacant FTE pool	0	1,943,664	1,943,664
29	Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
30	Capital assets	224,046	47.749,954	47,974,000
31	Grants	470,692	0	470,692
32	Civil air patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896



- 1	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
2	Air guard contract	8,928,725	606,916	9,535,641
3	Army quard contract	49,586,921	19,080,973	68,667,894
4	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616
5	Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	0
6	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
7	Less other funds	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
8	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
9	Subdivision 2.	2		
10	DEPARTM	ENT OF EMERGENCY	SERVICES	
11			Adjustments or	
12).	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
13	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$1,793,521	\$15,355,709
14	New and vacant FTE pool	0	725,676	725,676
15	Operating expenses	6,815,567	745,316	7,560,883
16	Capital assets	0	660,000	660,000
17	Grants	27,790,000	00	27,790,000
18	Disaster costs	74,249,944	78,561,155	152,811,099
19	Radio communications	0	1,020,000	1,020,000
20	Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$83,505,668	\$205,923,367
21	Less other funds	114,662,611	81,550,506	196,213,117
22	Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$1,955,162	\$9,710,250
23	Subdivision 3.	6		
24		SECTION 1 TOTAL		
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27	Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$146,555,412	\$345,138,106
28	Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	141,514,374	314,485,726
29	Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342	\$5,041,038	\$30,652,380
30	Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	3.00	236.00

- 1	SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPOR	RT TO	
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4	base budget for the 2027-29 biennium and which each entity shall report to the a	ppropriations	
5	committees of the seventieth legislative assembly regarding the use of this fundir	ng:	
6	One-Time Funding Description	Other Funds	
7	National guard		
8	Camp Grafton regional training institute	\$34,000,000	
9	Critical infrastructure state matching funds	4,500,000	
10	Williston readiness center design	2,500,000	
11	Civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade	206,426	
12	Line of communication bridge training site	3,674,000	
13	Dickinson readiness center	5,800,000	
14	Camp Grafton fitness facility	2,000,000	
15	Total national guard	\$52,680,426	
16	Department of emergency services		
17	Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act	\$39,050,000	
18	Wildland fires	2,550,000	
19	Disaster response equipment	660,000	
20	Law enforcement redundant switch	525,000	
21	Statewide interoperable radio network costs	495,000	
22	Total department of emergency services	\$43,280,000	
23	Grand total	\$95,960,426	
24	SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER R	EQUEST. The	
25	adjutant general may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE po	ool line items	
26	in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to t	ransfer funds	
27	from the new and vacant FTE pool line items to the applicable salaries and wages	s, civil air	
28	patrol, air guard contract, army guard contract, veterans' cemetery, and disaster costs line items		
29	within each subdivision in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in		
30	House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.		

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	SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In
	addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item
	in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds that are
	received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections
	37-03-14 and 39-04-10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the
	biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
	SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS - TRANSFERS.
	Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall
ï	transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets
	line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general to provide for
	the maintenance and repair of state-owned armories in this state during the biennium beginning
	July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council

SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND. The other funds line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$7,206,426 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4,500,000 is for critical

infrastructure state matching funds, \$2,500,000 is for the Williston readiness center design, and \$206,426 is for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade. The other

funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,020,000 from the

strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$525,000 is for the state radio law

enforcement redundant switch and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.

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private and federal sources, and remit the funding to the state treasurer for deposit in the state historical society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum

during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 8. EXEMPTION - UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS. The following

appropriations are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued into

29 the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027:

of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

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- Any amounts remaining for the construction of the Dickinson readiness center continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- Any amounts remaining for the line of communication bridge training site continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- The sum of \$9,000,000 appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws;
- The sum of \$3,362,235 appropriated from the general fund for tuition assistance, recruiting, and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North Dakota national guard in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws, which may be used for program administration and operating costs;
- Any amounts remaining for the expansion of Camp Grafton continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the national guard training area and facility development trust fund in section 3 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session
- Any amounts remaining for replacing the state active duty software and maintenance continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund in subsection 24 of section 1 of chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws;
- The sum of \$314,000 appropriated from the general fund for cybersecurity grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws; and
- The sum of \$225,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund for flood mitigation grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws.

SECTION 9. CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that the adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of up to one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The adjutant general may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.

SECTION 10. EMERGENCY. The following are declared to be an emergency measure:

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- The sum of \$6,000,000 appropriated from the general fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund for critical infrastructure state matching funds in the army guard contract line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act;
- The sum of \$206,426 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements
 fund for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade in the civil air
 patrol line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act; and
- The sum of \$39,050,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund and federal funds for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act in the disaster costs line item of subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE HB 1016

Appropriations Committee (Rep. Vigesaa, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** (25.0160.01002) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (22 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). HB 1016 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

25.0160.01001 Title. Fiscal No. 1

Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for House Appropriations - Government Operations Division Committee

February 11, 2025

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO

HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the
- 2 adjutant general; and to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to
- 3 declare an emergency.

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

- 5 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
- 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
- 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
- 8 federal funds, to the office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
- 9 the office of the adjutant general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
- 10 2027, as follows:

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11 Subdivision 1.

10	NIATIONIAL	011455
12	NATIONAL	GUARD

13			Adjustments or	
14	I	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
15	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	\$0	\$7,745,742
16	Operating expenses	3,214,211	0	3,214,211
17	Capital assets	224,046	0	224,046
18	Grants	470,692	0	470,692
19	Civil air patrol	330,642	0	330,642

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1	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
2	Air guard contract	8,928,725	0	8,928,725
3	Army guard contract	49,586,921	0	49,586,921
4	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	0	1,401,147
5	Reintegration program	900,634	<u>0</u>	900,634
6	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$0	\$76,164,995
7	Less other funds	<u>58,308,741</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>58,308,741</u>
8	Total general fund	\$1 7,856,254	\$0	\$17,856,254
9	— Subdivision 2.			
10	DEPARTM	ENT OF EMERGENC	Y SERVICES	
11	-		Adjustments or	x
12		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
13	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$0	\$13,562,188
14	Operating expenses	6,815,567	0	6,815,567
15	Grants	27,790,000	0	27,790,000
16	Disaster costs	74,249,944	<u>0</u>	74,249,944
17	Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$0	\$122,417,699
18	Less other funds	114,662,611	<u>0</u>	114,662,611
19	Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$0	\$7,755,088
20	— Subdivision 3.			
21	ā	SECTION 1 TOTAL		
22			Adjustments or	
23		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
24	Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$0	\$198,582,694
25	Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	<u>0</u>	172,971,352
26	Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342	\$0	\$25,611,342
27	Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	0.00	233.00
28	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
29	New and vacant FTE pool	0	1,943,664	1,943,664
30	Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
31	Capital assets	224,046	47,749,954	47,974,000

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1	Grants	470,692	0	470,692
2	Civil air patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896
3	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
4	Air guard contract	8,928,725	606,916	9,535,641
5	Army guard contract	49,586,921	19,080,973	68,667,894
6	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616
7	Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	0
8	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
9	Less other funds	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
10	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
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16	New and vacant FTE pool	0	725,676	725,676
	Onestina	6,815,567	745,316	7,560,883
17	Operating expenses	0,013,307	145,510	7,300,003
17 18	Capital assets		660,000	660,000
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1	Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342	\$5,041,038	\$30,652,380				
2	Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	3.00	236.00				
3	SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO							
4	SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding							
5	items included in the appropriation in	section 1 of this Act whi	ich are not included	in the entity's				
6	base budget for the 2027-29 biennium	n and which each entity	shall report to the a	ppropriations				
7	committees of the seventieth legislation	ve assembly regarding	the use of this fundir	ng:				
8	One-Time Funding Description			Other Funds				
9	National guard							
10	Camp Grafton regional training inst	itute		\$34,000,000				
11	Critical infrastructure state matching	g funds		4,500,000				
12	Williston readiness center design			2,500,000				
13	Civil air patrol statewide interoperate	ole radio network upgra	de	206,426				
14	Line of communication bridge traini	ng site		3,674,000				
15	Dickinson readiness center			5,800,000				
16	Camp Grafton fitness facility			2,000,000				
17	Total national guard			\$52,680,426				
18	Department of emergency services							
19	Safeguarding Tomorrow through Or	ngoing Risk Mitigation A	ct	\$39,050,000				
20	Wildland fires			2,550,000				
21	Disaster response equipment			660,000				
22	Law enforcement redundant switch			525,000				
23	Statewide interoperable radio netwo	ork costs		495,000				
24	Total department of emergency service	ces		\$43,280,000				
25	Grand total			\$95,960,426				
26	SECTION 3. NEW AND VACAN	T FTE POOL - LIMITAT	ION - TRANSFER F	REQUEST. The				
27	adjutant general may not spend fund	s appropriated in the ne	w and vacant FTE p	oool line items				
28	in section 1 of this Act, but may reque	est the office of manage	ment and budget to	transfer funds				
29	from the new and vacant FTE pool lin	ne items to the applicab	le salaries and wage	es, civil air				
30	patrol, air guard contract, army guard	l contract, veterans' cen	netery, and disaster	costs line items				

1	within each subdivision in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in
2	House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.
3	SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In
4	addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item
5	in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds that are
6	received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections
7	37-03-14 and 39-04-10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the
8	biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
9	SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS - TRANSFERS.
10	Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall
11	transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets
12	line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general to provide for
13	the maintenance and repair of state-owned armories in this state during the biennium beginning
14	July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council
15	of any transfers made pursuant to this section.
16	SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND
17	The other funds line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$7,206,426
18	from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4,500,000 is for critical
19	infrastructure state matching funds, \$2,500,000 is for the Williston readiness center design, and
20	\$206,426 is for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade. The other
21	funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,020,000 from the
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23	enforcement redundant switch and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.
24	SECTION 7. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS - NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY
25	MUSEUM. The adjutant general may accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from
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- Any amounts remaining for the construction of the Dickinson readiness center continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
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SECTION 10. EMERGENCY. The following are declared to be an emergency measure:

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- The sum of \$6,000,000 appropriated from the general fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund for critical infrastructure state matching funds in the army guard contract line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act;
- The sum of \$206,426 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade in the civil air patrol line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act; and
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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1016 - Summary of House Action

	Base Budget	House Changes	House Version
Adjutant General			
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
Less estimated income	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	3.00	159.08
Department of Emergency			
Services			
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$83,505,668	\$205,923,367
Less estimated income	114,662,611	81,550,506	196,213,117
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$1,955,162	\$9,710,250
FTE	76.92	0.00	76.92
Bill total].	
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Less estimated income	172,971,352	141,514,374	314,485,726
General fund	\$25,611,342	\$5,041,038	\$30,652,380
FTE	233.00	3.00	236.00

House Bill No. 1016 - Adjutant General - House Action

	Base Budget	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
New and vacant FTE pool	ACCOMMUNICATION CO.	1,943,664	1,943,664
Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
Capital assets	224,046	47,749,954	47,974,000
Grants	470,692	3100777 3113	470,692
Civil Air Patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0000000 C0000 100	3,362,235
Air Guard contract	8,928,725	606,916	9,535,641
Army Guard contract	49,586,921	19,080,973	68,667,894
Veterans' Cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616
Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
Less estimated income	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
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FTE	156.08	3.00	159.08

Department 540 - Adjutant General - Detail of House Changes

	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes ¹	Adds Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ²	Adds Funding to Replace 2023-25 New and Vacant FTE Pool ³	Adds Funding for FTE Positions ⁴	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool⁵	Adjusts Base Budget Funding⁵
Salaries and wages	(\$3,996,388)	\$182,209	\$426,513		(\$226,704)	(\$475,485)
New and vacant FTE pool					1,943,664	
Operating expenses Capital assets						(2,401,308) (224,046)
Grants Civil Air Patrol	(21,741)	12,025	7,857		(11,054)	21,741
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	(21,741)	12,020	7,007		(11,004)	21,741
Air Guard contract	(136,758)	389,696	408,127		(366,809)	312,660
Army Guard contract	4,268,247	1,427,574	887,086	\$980,528	(1,581,383)	7,098,921
Veterans' Cemetery	(396,722)	74,713	49,722	360,344	(436,091)	410,503
Reintegration program	_		43,641			(944,275)
Total all funds	(\$283,362)	\$2,086,217	\$1,822,946	\$1,340,872	(\$678,377)	\$3,798,711
Less estimated income	(534,588)	1,511,431	1,243,343	979,454	(484,577)	4,568,379
General fund	\$251,226	\$574,786	\$579,603	\$361,418	(\$193,800)	(\$769,668)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	0.00

	Adds Funding for Infrastructure Matching and Insurance ²	Adds One-Time Funding [§]	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages			(\$4,089,855)
New and vacant FTE pool			1,943,664
Operating expenses	\$782,311		(1,618,997)
Capital assets Grants		\$47,974,000	47,749,954
Civil Air Patrol		206,426	215,254
Tuition, recruiting, and retention		200,720	
Air Guard contract	1,500,000	4,500,000	606,916 19,080,973
Army Guard contract Veterans' Cemetery	1,500,000	4,500,000	62,469
Reintegration program			(900,634)
Total all funds	\$2,282,311	\$52,680,426	\$63,049,744
Less estimated income	0	52,680,426	59,963,868
General fund	\$2,282,311	\$0	\$3,085,876
FTE	0.00	0.00	3.00

¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

 $^{^2}$ The following funding is added for 2025-27 biennium salary adjustments of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,643 to \$1,893 per month:

	General	Other	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	<u>Total</u>
Salary increase	\$347,285	\$830,155	\$1,177,440
Health insurance increase	227,501	<u>681,276</u>	908,777
Total	\$574,786	\$1,511,431	\$2,086,217

³ Funding is added to replace the 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE funding pool as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2023-25 new FTE pool	\$61.780	\$204.418	\$266.198
2023-25 vacant FTE pool	517,823	1,038,925	1,556,748
Total	\$579,603	\$1,243,343	\$1,822,946

⁴ Funding is added for 3 new FTE positions, 3 FTE positions that were partially funded during the 2023-25 biennium, and 1 FTE position that was unfunded as follows:

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Dickinson Readiness Center custodial supervisor position (new)	1.00	\$90,416	\$90,416	\$180,832
Veterans' Cemetery administrative position (new)	1.00	0	179,512	179,512
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance position (new)	1.00	0	180,832	180,832
Dickinson Readiness Center director position and maintenance position (previously partially funded)	0.00	186,618	186,616	373,234
Camp Grafton maintenance position (previously partially funded)	0.00	84,384	84,384	168,768
Construction coordinator position (previously unfunded)	0.00	<u>0</u>	257,694	<u>257,694</u>
Total	3.00	\$361,418	\$979,454	\$1,340,872

⁵ Funding of \$2,622,041 is removed for estimated savings from new and vacant 2025-27 FTE positions and \$1,943,664 is added for a new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
New FTE positions	(\$90.416)	(\$450,760)	(\$541,176)
Vacant FTE positions	(615,862)	Part and Control of the Control	
Total		(1,465,003)	(2,080,865)
New and vacant FTE pool line item	(\$706,278)	(\$1,915,763)	(\$2,622,041)
PACK STORY	512,478	1,431,186	1,943,664
Net savings	(\$193,800)	(\$484,577)	(\$678,377)

⁶ Base budget adjustments are made as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Adjusts funding for land and buildings	\$0	\$2,781,796	\$2,781,796
Adjusts funding for repairs	86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries	(1,097,595)	575,991	(521,604)
Adjusts funding for overtime	150	20,000	20,150
Adjusts funding for professional fees and services	55,671	(345,204)	(289,533)
Adjusts funding for rental expenses	279,800	5,000	284,800
Adjusts funding for supplies	125,647	37,930	163,577
Adjusts funding for information technology (IT) expenses	42,877	210,000	252,877
Adjusts funding for operating expenses, including utilities, insurance, and equipment	(139,072)	153,450	14,378
Adjusts funding for special assessments and property taxes	(124,046)	0	(124,046)
Moves reintegration program to salaries and operating line items	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
Total	(\$769,668)	\$4,568,379	\$3,798,711

⁷ Adds \$1,500,000 for critical infrastructure state matching funds and \$782,311 for infrastructure insurance.

- \$34 million from federal fund for an addition to the Camp Grafton Regional Training Institute.
- \$2.5 million from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) for the Williston Readiness Center design.
- \$4.5 million from SIIF is added for critical infrastructure matching funds.
- \$206,426 from SIIF for a Civil Air Patrol statewide interoperable radio network (SIRN) upgrade.
- \$3,674,000 from federal funds for the line of communication bridge training site.
- \$5.8 million from federal funds for the completion of the Dickinson Readiness Center.
- \$2 million from federal funds for the construction of a Camp Grafton fitness facility.

⁸ One-time funding is added as follows:

House Bill No. 1016 - Department of Emergency Services - House Action

	Base Budget	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$1,793,521	\$15,355,709
New and vacant FTE pool	8 8	725,676	725,676
Operating expenses	6,815,567	745,316	7,560,883
Capital assets		660,000	660,000
Grants	27,790,000		27,790,000
Disaster costs	74,249,944	78,561,155	152,811,099
Radio communications		1,020,000	1,020,000
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$83,505,668	\$205,923,367
Less estimated income	114,662,611	81,550,506	196,213,117
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$1,955,162	\$9,710,250
FTE	76.92	0.00	76.92

Department 542 - Department of Emergency Services - Detail of House Changes

Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses Capital assets	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes ¹ (\$295,759)	Adds Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ² \$938,304	Adds Funding to Replace 2023-25 New and Vacant FTE Pool ³ \$1,816,158	Transfers Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ⁴ (\$948,519) 725,676	Adjusts Base Budget Funding ⁵ \$283,337 140,206	Adds Emergency Response Funding [§]
Grants Disaster costs Radio communications	(259,402)	89,457	55,126	(88,161)	9,005,351	\$2,000,000
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	(\$555,161) 321,718 (\$876,879)	\$1,027,761 626,487 \$401,274	\$1,871,284 580,632 \$1,290,652	(\$311,004) (186,818) (\$124,186)	\$9,428,894 8,736,302 \$692,592	\$2,000,000 2,000,000 \$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Salaries and wages	Adds Funding for Information Technology Expenses ²	Adds Funding for Infrastructure Insurance [§]	Adjusts Base Budget Funding for Disaster Grants [§]	Adds One-Time Funding ¹⁰	Total House Changes \$1,793,521	
New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses Capital assets Grants	\$596,568	\$8,542		\$660,000	725,676 745,316 660,000	
Disaster costs Radio communications	-		\$26,158,784	41,600,000 1,020,000	78,561,155 1,020,000	
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$596,568 0 \$596,568	\$8,542 0 \$8,542	\$26,158,784 26,192,185 (\$33,401)	\$43,280,000 43,280,000 \$0	\$83,505,668 81,550,506 \$1,955,162	
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	

¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

 $^{^2}$ The following funding is added for 2025-27 biennium salary adjustments of 3 percent on July 1, 2025, and 3 percent on July 1, 2026, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,643 to \$1,893 per month:

	General	Other	Total
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	The state of the s
Salary increase	\$221,116	\$364,232	\$585,348
Health insurance increase	180,158	<u> 262,255</u>	442,413
Total	\$401,274	\$626,487	\$1,027,761

³ Funding is added to replace the 2023-25 biennium new and vacant FTE funding pool as follows:

	General	Other	
	<u>Fund</u>	<u>Funds</u>	Total
2023-25 new FTE pool	\$978,006	\$102,182	\$1,080,188
2023-25 vacant FTE pool	<u>312,646</u>	478,450	791,096
Total	\$1,290,652	\$580,632	\$1,871,284

⁴ Funding of \$1,036,680 is removed for estimated savings from new and vacant 2025-27 FTE positions and \$725,676 is added for a new and vacant FTE pool line item as follows:

	General	Other	
	<u>Fund</u>	Funds	Total
Vacant FTE positions	(\$413,952)	(\$622,728)	(\$1,036,680)
New and vacant FTE pool line item	289,766	435,910	725,676
Net savings	(\$124,186)	(\$186,818)	(\$311,004)

⁵ Base budget adjustments are made as follows:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Adjusts funding for operating fees and services	\$5,393	\$9,176,186	\$9,181,579
Adjusts funding for IT expenses	562,589	(443,923)	118,666
Adjusts funding for overtime	67,770	135.567	203,337
Adjusts funding for temporary salaries	0	(119,597)	(119,597)
Adjusts funding for other operating expenses, including travel, supplies, and equipment	<u>56,840</u>	(11,931)	44,909
Total	\$692,592	\$8,736,302	\$9,428,894

⁶ Adds ongoing funding from the state disaster relief fund for emergency response funding.

- \$39.05 million, including \$35.5 million from federal funds and \$3.55 million from the disaster relief fund, for the STORM Act program.
- \$2.55 million, including \$2.25 million from federal funds and \$300,000 from the disaster relief fund, for wildland fire disaster assistance.
- \$660,000 from federal funds is added for disaster response equipment.
- \$525,000 from SIIF is added for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch.
- \$495,000 from SIIF for SIRN costs.

House Bill No. 1016 - Other Changes - House Action

The amendment also adds sections to:

- Provide for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.
- Identify \$8,226,426 from SIIF, of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching funds, \$2.5 million is for the Williston readiness center design, \$206,426 for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade, \$525,000 is for the State Radio law enforcement redundant switch, and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.
- Allow the Adjutant General to accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from private and federal sources, and remit the funding to the State Treasurer for deposit in the State Historical Society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum.
- Provide exemptions to continue funding appropriated into the 2025-27 biennium. The exemptions relate to the Dickinson Readiness Center construction, line of communication bridge training site, Camp Grafton

⁷ Adds \$87,336 for the North Dakota response website and \$509,232 for IT operations and maintenance costs.

⁸ Adds funding for infrastructure insurance.

⁹ Adjusts base funding for disaster grants, including an increase of \$28,394,107 from federal funds, a decrease of \$2,201,922 from special funds, and a decrease of \$33,401 from the general fund, to provide a total of \$96,489,908 for disaster grants.

¹⁰ One-time funding is added as follows:

fitness facility, tuition assistance, Camp Grafton expansion, state active duty software and maintenance, cybersecurity grants, and flood mitigation grants.

- Provide legislative intent that the Adjutant General contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of no more than one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The Adjutant General may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.
- Declare emergencies for critical infrastructure matching, the Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, and the STORM Act program.

2025 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS
HB 1016

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Red River Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 3/10/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

9:28 a.m. Chairman Wanzek opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Wanzek, Vice-Chair Dwyer, Senator Burckhard, Senator Erbele, and Senator Sickler.

Discussion Topics:

- Four separate budgets with Federal funds mixed interspersed
- State radio mission and budget
- Call volume
- Budget initiatives
- Redundant systems
- Disaster preparation, response, recovery, and mitigation
- Federal funds passthrough
- ND response website
- Emergency response fire, flood, cyber-attacks
- 24-hour watch operations
- STORM Act
- Aerospace education, youth programs, emergency services
- State Interoperation Radio Network (SIRN) upgrades
- National Guard dual mission
- Economic impact of Guard
- Federal/State share infrastructure and repair
- Insurance needs
- Camp Grafton
- ND Insurance Reserve Fund (NDIRF) funding
- Leadership pilot programs, ROTC
- Williston readiness center; Jamestown facility
- Workforce needs
- Carryover clause requests
- Range expansion near Devils Lake
- City of Marion flood mitigation
- Fund exemptions and transfers
- Military gallery project in cooperation with State Historical Society
- Fire project completion

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9:29 a.m. Grant Gader, LC Fiscal Analyst, distributed budget information, testimony #39927 and #39928.

9:29 a.m. Brigadier General Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General, ND National Guard and Director of ND Emergency Services, testified in favor and submitted testimony #39981, #40193, #39580 and 39582.

9:33 a.m. Darin Anderson, Director of ND State Radio, testified in favor and referenced testimony #40193 and #39582.

9:44 a.m. Darin Hanson, Homeland Security Division Director, testified in favor and referenced testimony #40193 and 39582.

10:03 a.m. Lieutenant-Colonel Sean Johnson, Director of Operations, ND Civil Air Patrol, testified and referenced testimony #40193 and #39582.

10:09 a.m. Brigadier-General Mitch Johnson, ND Adjutant General, resumed testimony in favor.

10:16 a.m. Grant Gader, LC Fiscal Analyst, supplied budget information and referenced testimony #39927.

10:25 a.m. Jennifer Sheet, Division Chief, Fiscal and Administrative Services, ND Office of the Adjutant General, explained the 2025-27 carryover authority requests and referenced testimony #39582.

10:33 a.m. Adjutant General Johnson resumed testimony in favor.

Additional written testimony:

Colby Braun, Director of ND Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation, submitted testimony #39831 in favor.

Steven Harstad, Chief Agent, ND Bureau of Criminal Investigation, submitted testimony #39869 in favor.

10:37 a.m. Chairman Wanzek closed the meeting.

Carol Thompson, Committee Clerk

Attachment #3

14. Provide a one-page itemized listing any changes your agency is requesting the committee to make to the executive budget recommendation.

Disaster Costs - Additional Funding for Wildland Fire Federal Declaration Received

- \$11,460,000 Total Funds
 - o \$9,900,000 Federal Funds
 - \$1,560,000 Special Funds (Disaster Relief Funds)
- Increase to the Disaster Costs budget line under the Department of Emergency Services
- The agency budget was submitted prior to the wildland fire events taking place in October 2024. The federal declaration was received in December 2024, therefore we are needing to add in both federal and special fund authority for the event.
- An Emergency Clause is necessary so the agency can offer support to those in need during the current biennium.
- Reference slide 41

SENATE APPROPRIATIONS: GOVERNMENT OPS DIV.

Office of the Adjutant General

State Radio | Homeland Security | Civil Air Patrol | National Guard

Presented by Brig Gen Mitch Johnson, Darin Hanson, Darin Anderson, and Lt. Col. Sean Johnson March 2025

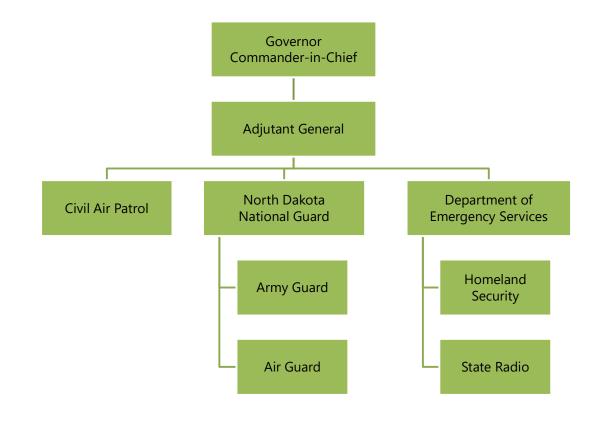


Office of The Adjutant General (OTAG)

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NDNG Federal FTEs 1,066

State Reserve Forces 4,420 **NDNG** 4,100 CAP 320





AGENCY MISSIONS

State Radio: Provide around-the-clock 911 emergency dispatch services that deploy federal, state, and local first responders to protect lives and property.

Homeland Security: Protect the homeland against all threats and coordinate a whole of government/society response in times of disaster or emergency.

Civil Air Patrol: Volunteers Serving America's Communities, Saving Lives, and Shaping Futures.

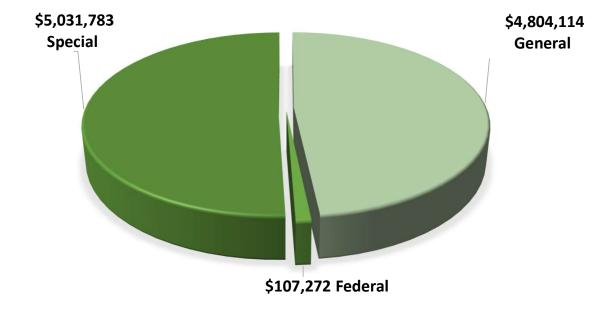
National Guard: Provide ready units, individuals and equipment to support our communities, state and nation.



State Radio

2023-25 BUDGET

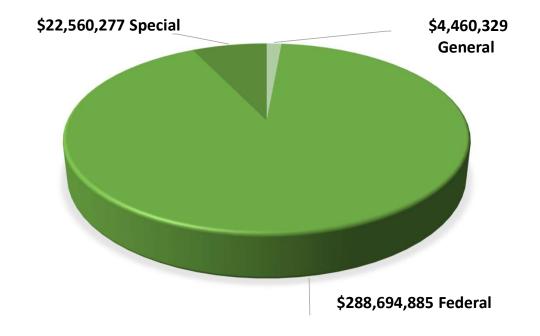
FUND TYPE	APPROPRIATION		% OF BUDGET
General	\$	4,804,114	48.3%
Federal	\$	107,272	1.1%
Special	\$	5,031,783	50.6%
Total	\$	9,943,169	100.0%



Homeland Security

2023-25 BUDGET

FUND TYPE	APPROPRIATION		% OF BUDGET
General	\$	4,460,329	1.4%
Federal	\$	288,694,885	91.4%
Special	\$	22,560,277	7.1%
Total	\$	315,715,491	100.0%

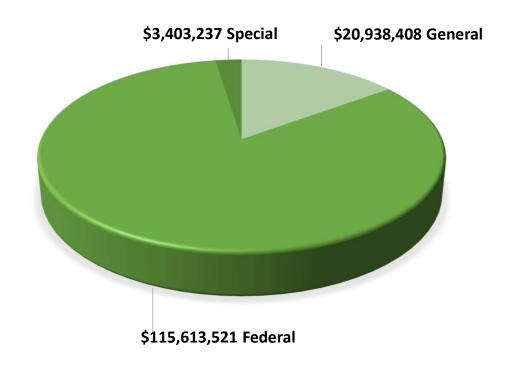




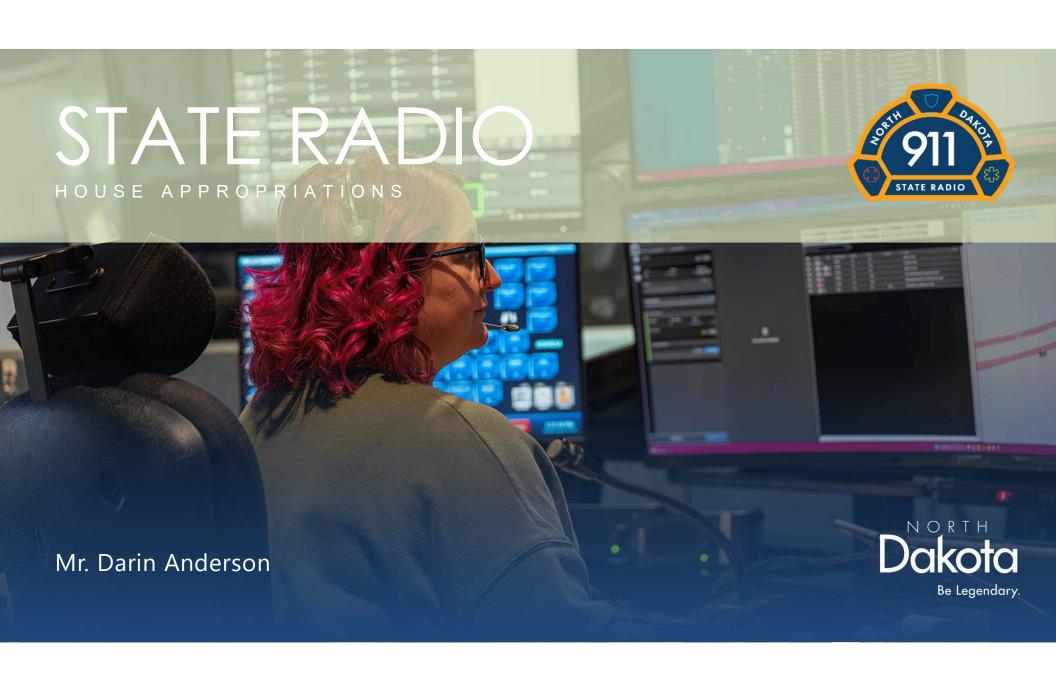
National Guard

2023-25 BUDGET

FUND TYPE	APPROPRIATION		% OF BUDGET
General	\$	20,938,408	15.0%
Federal	\$	115,613,521	82.6%
Special	\$	3,403,237	2.4%
Total	\$	139,955,166	100.0%









VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA



No other State Emergency Communication Center in the Nation like us

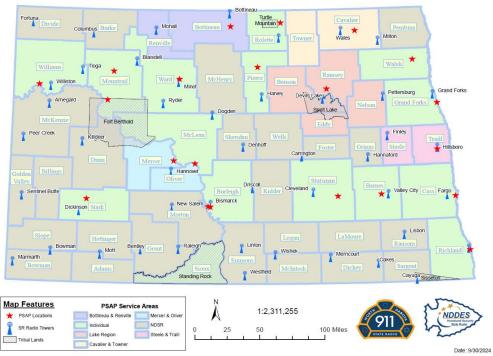
24/7/365 Operations

26 Counties, responders and State Law Enforcement (HP, G&F, DOCR, Parks & Rec LE, etc.)

26 counties equate to just under 100k people and 34.9k sq miles of land

State LE equates to 783k people & 107k miles of roads

State Radio Service Area Map

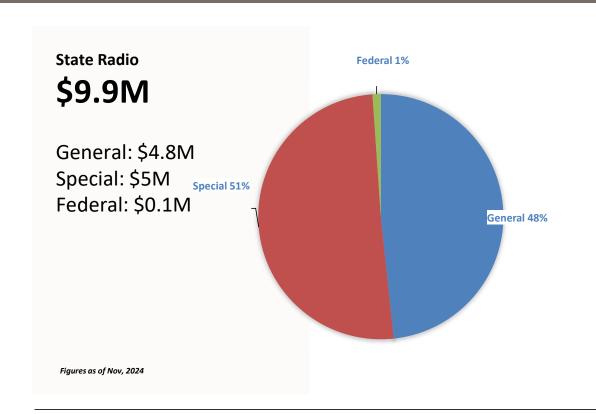






VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA





The Law Enforcement Switch handles over 7M queries per month – that's 2.7 queries per second

17,905 average monthly State Radio calls Including average of 78 emergency calls per day

222,834 Computer Aided Dispatch (CAD) Events in 2024







Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Redundant Message Switch (Law Enforcement Query System)	Add a redundant instance of the law enforcement message switch	\$525,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	This system is a "No Fail Mission" and is currently running with a single point of failure. We must ensure continuity of operations











Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Statewide Interoperability Radio Network (SIRN) Costs	Procure and implement recording system compatible with new SIRN Radio system	\$495,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Comply with CC ability to record for open records and quality assurance







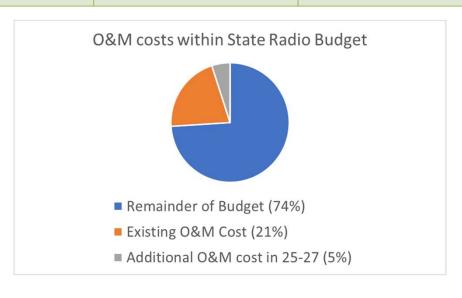




Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
NDIT O&M costs	Provide increased funding for NDIT Public Safety team operations & maintenance costs	\$509,232 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Maintain the published costs to local jurisdictions

State Radio required to set 911 fees by June 30th and provide them to 911 Counties.

NDIT O&M cost increases not reported to State Radio until August.







2023 VALUE FOR ND



RECOVER



Provide mission-specific training to 500+ individuals

Conduct 5+ exercises yearly

Participated in 24
alerting situations; 100%
locating success for the
17 events meeting
criteria

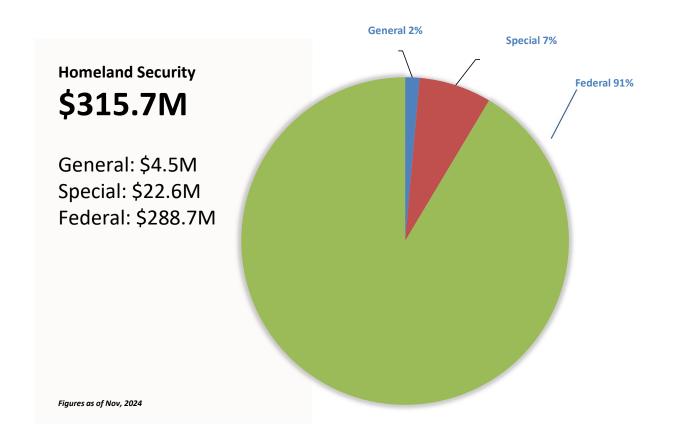
Distributed \$85.8M in disaster assistance

Managed 10 declared disasters

For every \$1 spent on mitigation, the state saves \$6.54 in recovery cost Projects awarded in 2023 (\$128M) will save the state an estimated \$837.12M



VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA



FEDERAL FUNDS SPENT THRU NOV

\$54.6M to Local Jurisdictions

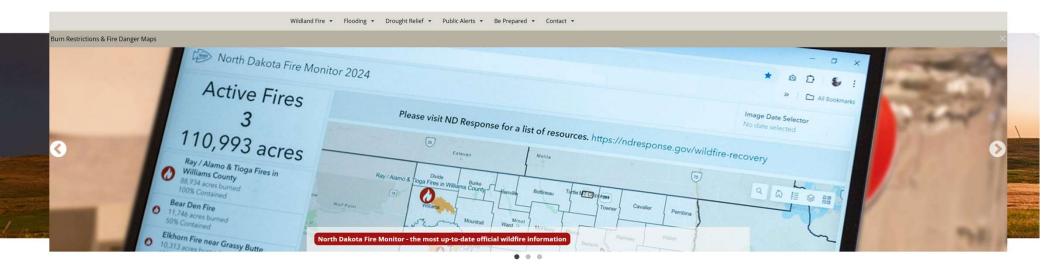
\$11.7M to State Agencies

\$6.7M to DES

9%



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
ND Response Website	Assume costs of running the website from NDIT	\$87,336 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Continue current operations, robust public alerting, and continuity of government



Welcome to ND Response

Your single source for accurate and timely information during major, pressing incidents impacting North Dakota citizens.

We're responding to the historic 2024 wildfires. Follow for continuous updates. Recovery resources are available here.



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Emergency Response Funding	Move this persistent one-time funding into base budget	\$2,000,000 (DRF, Ongoing Funding)	To ensure response to all disasters, especially the smaller ones when federal dollars may not be immediately available









Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Watch Center FTEs	Fund 2 additional Watch Center FTE positions	\$462,426 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Maintain 24-hour watch center operations sustainably Appropriately staff the Watch Center



















24-HOUR STAFFING

Funded & Filled





Unfunded,

Unfunded, borrowed



Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Federal Authority Capital Assets	Authority to spend federal money, should it become available	\$660,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority)	To purchase UAS Equipment, Commercial geospatial software, interactive emergency preparedness display, and three generators











Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
STORM Act	Receive federal fund authority and authorization to spend DRF.	\$35,500,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority) \$3,550,000 (DRF, 1x Funds)	23-25 legislature approved a revolving loan fund to utilize the federal STORM Act and appropriated \$1M of DRF auth to provide for the 10% state match. The revolving loan fund allows locals to borrow funds for mitigation projects at better terms than are available in the market. The loans count as the local share for federal grant purposes. Applications far exceeded the available match in the first year alone. We aim to increase the authority available in the 25-27 biennium, adding \$35.5M of federal authority and an emergency clause to execute the grant dollars for the current and next biennium. *STORM Act is currently only funded thru 2027.





North Dakota Wing Info

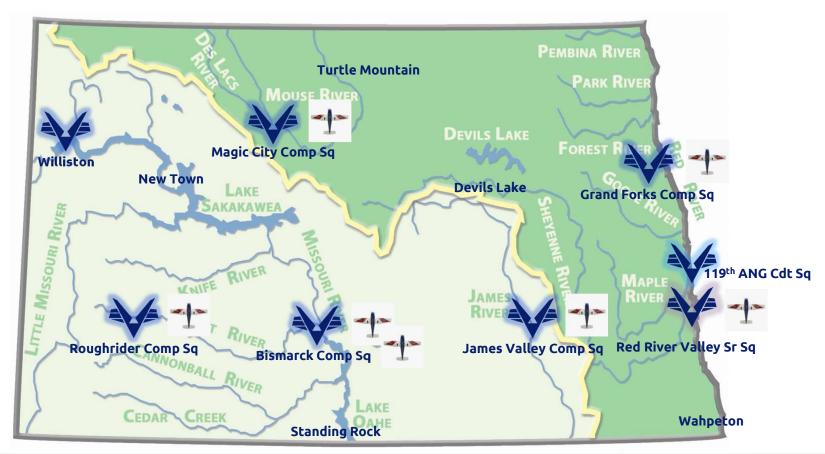
Squadrons



-Senior

-Composite

209 Seniors118 Cadets (ages 12-21)7 Cessna Aircraft







Our Core Competencies



Aerospace Education

- K-12 curriculum
- STEM Education and Kits
- Career exploration
- Flight training



Youth Programs

- Leadership training
- Character development
- Physical fitness
- Special activities



Emergency Services

- Aerial imagery
- Search & Rescue
- Transport
- sUAS support
- Joint military training





BUDGET INITIATIVES

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
SIRN Upgrade	Acquire SIRN-compliant radio systems for response	\$206,426 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Interoperability with other state and local responders





ND NATIONAL GUARD

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS



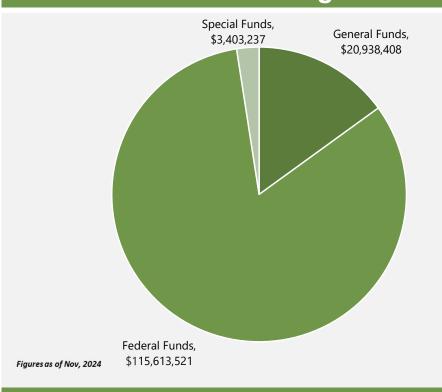
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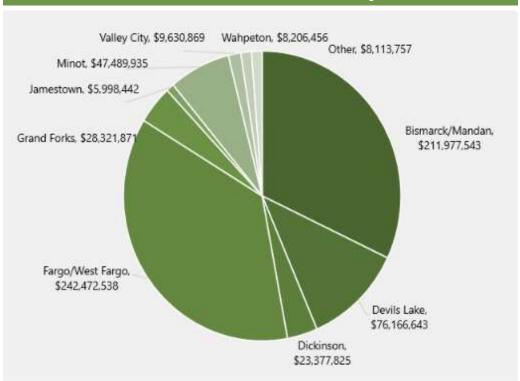


VALUE FOR NORTH DAKOTA

2023-25 Budget



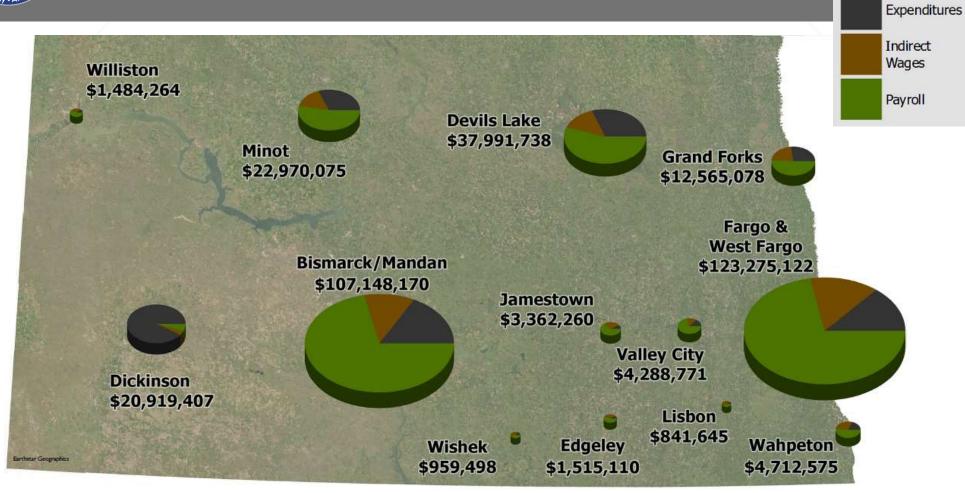
2022-23 Economic Impact



\$21M investment returns ready reserve forces for emergencies and \$661M in economic impact.

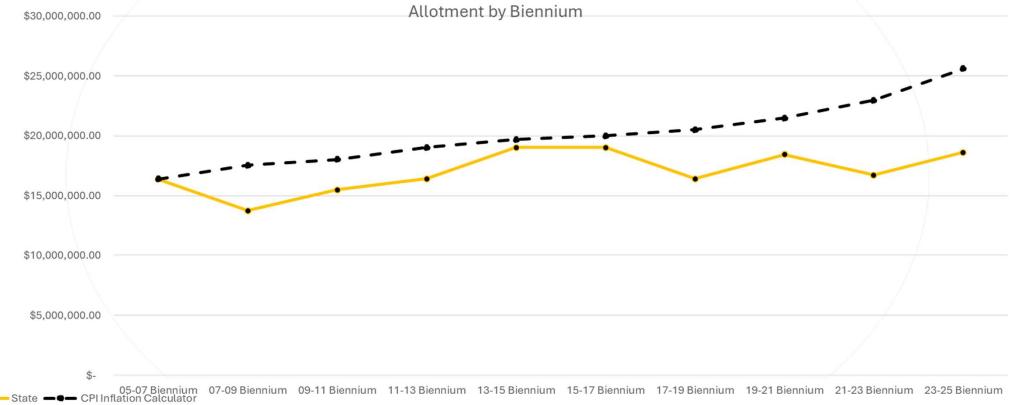


FY23 NATIONAL GUARD ECONOMIC IMPACT = \$342M





NDNG GENERAL FUNDS VS. INFLATION





Infrastructure Maintenance and Repair

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Critical Infrastructure State Match	Increase ability to perform maintenance and repairs on facilities with state cost share.	\$6,000,000 (\$1.5M General, Ongoing Funding; \$4.5M SIIF, 1x Funds)	Extend the life span of the 330 NDNG state facilities.

- \$1,500,000 general funds in base budget
- \$4,500,000 SIIF one-time funds
- 330 buildings with state cost share
- 2.5M sq/ft, 23% state match required
- 4:1 Federal funds ROI
- The annual maintenance requirement for the State on just the 9 Readiness Center Building is \$2.6M. The annual per square foot maintenance costs for the Readiness Center's came from the Office of the Secretary of Defense Facility Sustainment Model.
- \$81M in total backlog maintenance, \$40M has a state share requirement





Infrastructure Insurance Increase

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Infrastructure Insurance	Increase insurance coverage on NDNG facilities.	\$790,853 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Properly insured infrastructure in case significant damage occurs.

- 330 buildings with state cost share
- Readiness Centers are more than 50% under insured
- NDNG Infrastructure is under insured by \$280M
- Raymond J. Bohn Readiness Center (Bismarck ND) - Current Insurance Replacement Value = \$17,705,800; NDIFR Suggested Replacement Value = \$52,475,900





Regional Training Institute

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Regional Training Institute(RTI) Authority	Receive authority to use federal funds for construction of additional lodging for the RTI.	\$34,000,000 (Federal, 1x Funding Authority)	Sufficient lodging to support the federal mission of the RTI.



- Billeting Wing Addition
- 35% Conceptual Design is complete
- 65% Preliminary Design submitted to National Guard Bureau for review in Dec 24
- Project ready for bid by Oct 2025
- Zerr-Berg Architect and Engineer

\$34 Million Federal Funds Requiring State Authority



Leadership Pilot Program FTEs

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Next Generation Leadership Pilot Program with Emergency Clause	Establish a program like JROTC Program.	(2) FTEs at \$518,612 (General, Ongoing Funding)	Expose more youth to military values, culture, and history.

- Supplements Junior ROTC programs that currently exist in four communities
- Coordination with Dept of Public Inst. Center for Distance Education (CDE)
- Compliments the CDE Military Pathways distance learning program.
- Supports Choice Ready Program







Williston Armory Design Funds

Request	Action Items	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Williston Readiness Center Design Funds	Design a facility for Alpha Battery who relocated to Williston in 2023.	\$2,500,000 (SIIF, 1x Funds)	Positioned to request funds and construct a purpose-built facility on land designated by the city.

- \$2.5 Million in design funds
- Future state request for construction, estimated \$29 Million
- Federal Construction would be 2040 at earliest
- Once built operations and maintenance is 50/50 cost share
- Alpha Battery 1-188 Air Defense Artillery
- 63 Soldiers (3 FT NG Staff)
- 35K sq/ft Readiness Center w/ 6k sq/ft vehicle storage
- 26 acres provided by the City of Williston in 2014 with estimated value of \$6M+ designed for an armory adjacent to the High School.





Full Time Equivalents

Request	Funding Source	Resources Required	Desired Outcomes
Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Supervisor (1 New FTE)	50% General/50% Federal	\$193,192	Appropriate facility staff to support the operations and maintenance of a newly constructed readiness center.
Dickinson Readiness Center FTE (Funding Continuation for 2 FTEs)	50% General/50% Federal	\$373,234	Continuation of Funding for the 2 FTEs authorized last session and funded for a portion of the current biennium.
Camp Grafton Training Center Fitness Facility (Funding Continuation for 1 FTE)	50% General/50% Federal	\$168,768	Continuation of Funding for the FTE authorized last session and funded for a portion of the current biennium.
ND Veterans Cemetery Admin & Facility FTEs (2 New FTE)	100% Special Funds	\$191,871 (Admin) \$194,611 (Facility)	Convert critical positions from temporary to permanent to decrease turnover and increase productivity and assistance with additional duties and maintain operations.
Construction Coordinator (Repurpose existing FTE, adjust federal funding authority)	100% Federal Funds	\$273,604	Appropriate staffing will create efficiency of the office in managing all current and future construction projects.

Carry Over Requests





2025-27 Carry Over Clause Requests

Description	Amount	Justification
Dickinson Readiness Center	\$30,200,000	Project has a projected completion date of September 2025.
Line of Communication Bridge	\$9,674,000	Project has a projected completion date of December 2025.
Camp Grafton Fitness Facility	\$11,000,000	Project has a projected completion date of February 2026.
State Tuition Assistance	\$2,200,000	Expanding appropriation authority for program administration and operating costs. Tuition assistance continues to be one of the most valuable recruiting tools for soldiers and airmen.
Range Expansion	\$1,606,280	Continue to pursue a solution with landowners.
State Active Duty Software & Maintenance	\$77,690	State Fiscal Recovery Funds were obligated prior to December 2024, and the remaining funds will be utilized for software licensing and maintenance services through April 2027.
Cybersecurity Grants	\$314,000	The Federal FY 2022 State & Local Cybersecurity Grant Program (SLCGP) has a completion date of November 2026, and the federal FY 2023 SLCGP has a completion date of November 2027.
Flood Mitigation Grants	\$225,000	City of Marion project Phase I has begun; however, a large portion of Phase II will not be completed until the 2025-27 biennium.

Exemptions and Transfers





2025-27 Exemptions & Transfers

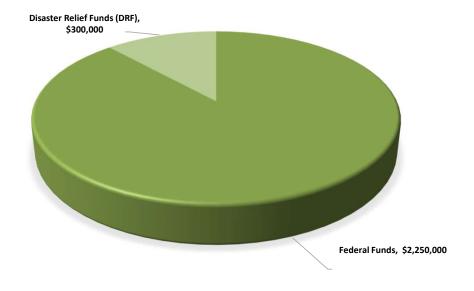
Title	Description
Veterans Cemetery Maintenance Fund	Appropriate additional funds received and deposited in maintenance fund for operations.
Line Item Transfers	Authority to transfer up to \$500K to the operating expenses and capital assets line items.
Estimated Income – State Disaster Relief Fund	Includes \$3,550,000 from the state disaster relief fund for the STORM Act program.
Natural Disaster Response & Recovery Grants	Includes \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief funds for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters.
Camp Grafton Expansion – Legislative Intent	Continue to receive legislative intent for Camp Grafton Range expansion.
Military Gallery	The adjutant general may accept funds including private and federal, to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery during the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general, with the approval of the governor, has entered into an agreement with the state historical society for the construction of a new facility, the renovation of an existing property, and the operations and maintenance of a military gallery.
Emergency	The Critical Infrastructure State Match, Next Generation Leader Program, Civil Air Patrol SIRN Upgrade and the STORM Act funding are declared to be emergency measures.

Changes to Executive Recommendation

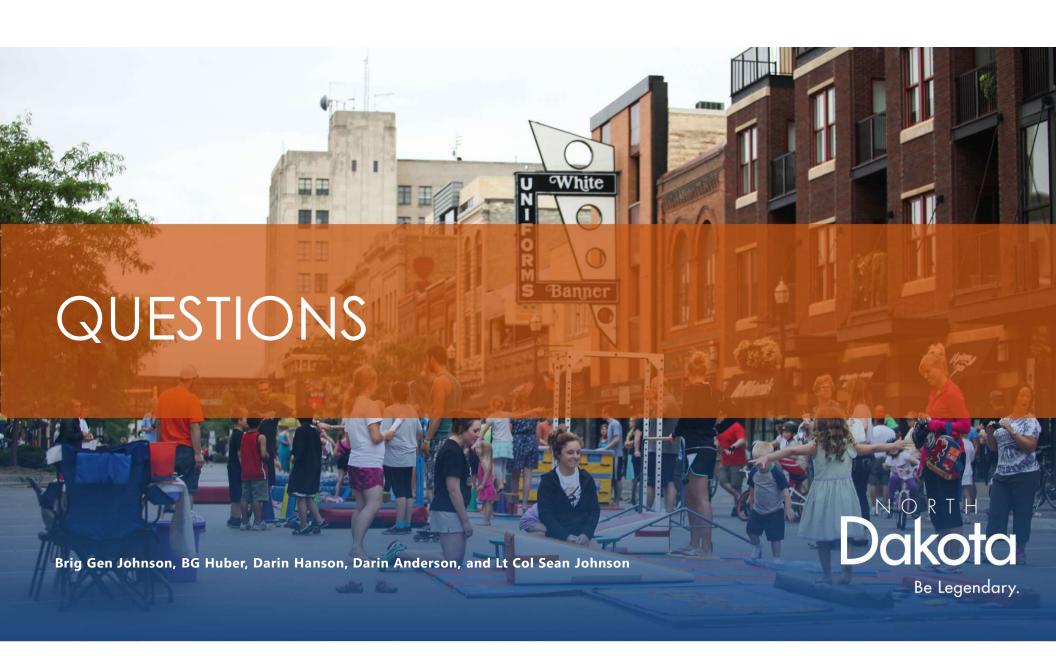


Changes to Executive Recommendation

Title	Federal	Special (DRF)	Total
Disaster Costs Budget Line: Increase Appropriation for DR 4852 – Wildland Fires Oct 2024	\$2,250,000	\$300,000	\$2,550,000







SENATE APPROPRIATIONS – GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS DIVISION SENATOR TERRY WANZEK, CHAIR MARCH 10, 2025

NORTH DAKOTA DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTIONS AND REHABILITATION PRESENTING TESTIMONY IN SUPPORT OF HOUSE BILL 1016

Chairman Wanzek and members of the House Appropriations – Government

Operations Division, I am Colby Braun, Director of the North Dakota Department of

Corrections and Rehabilitation (DOCR). Today, I submit this written testimony in support of

House Bill 1016, which allows State Radio to obtain a new State Interoperation Radio Network

(SIRN) system.

The State Interoperation Radio Network (SIRN) will provide much needed inoperability amongst law enforcement agencies which was evident during past emergency situations. The North Dakota Parole and Probation division, along with others, struggled to maintain communication with other agencies during these important times of response. This funding requested will enhance officer safety and communication with a purpose of ensuring highly reliable and redundant communication capabilities for the statewide public safety community. This funding will continue to modernize and provide a feature-rich and highly available network to meet the mission-critical communication needs of the public safety community. Some of the goals of SIRN were to resolve interoperability challenges, increase radio coverage, decrease the number of disparate radio systems, and modernize the features and functionality of the radio network. With the additional funding requests this will allow State Radio to continue to work towards meeting these goals. All these added features will greatly assist our North Dakota Parole and Probation officers in their ability to assist other agencies, continue to meet the needs of the communities we serve, and offer us support and assistance when situations arise.

Chairman Wanzek and members of the senate Appropriations – Government Operations

Division, I ask that you support House Bill 1016.

HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE – GOVERNMENT OPERATIONS DIVISION

MARCH 10, 2025

TESTIMONY OF STEVEN HARSTAD BUREAU OF CRIMINAL INVESTIGATION HOUSE BILL 1016

Chairman Wanzek and Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee – Government Operations Division, my name is Steven Harstad and I am a Chief Agent with the Bureau of Criminal Investigation submitting testimony in support of HB1016. The appropriations outlined in HB1016 are essential for advancing the operational capabilities of State Radio and ensuring the reliability of critical infrastructure law enforcement agencies rely upon.

Specifically, the funding requested for the SIRN-compatible logger/recorder will allow State Radio to log audio for 9-1-1 calls and radio traffic. In conjunction with the new SIRN radio system, the logger will have the capability to log an individual officer radio stream or all radio streams for an event.

In addition, the funding for improvements to the Message Switch/OpenFox system addresses vulnerabilities in the current framework. These updates will eliminate a single point of failure and enhance system redundancy, helping to ensure uninterrupted communication during an emergency.

These advancements directly benefit law enforcement agencies across the state. I respectfully ask for your support of these items in HB1016.

Legislative Council

Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

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2025-27 Biennium Base Level	Positions	Fund	Funds	Total	Positions	Fund	Funds	Total	Positions	Fund	Funds	Total
	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
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Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)				\$0
Salary increase		601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880		568,401	1,194,387	1,762,788		(\$33,092)		
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210		407,659	943,531	1,351,190				(33,092
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		(24,020)		(24,020
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844				0
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Adjusts base level funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(308,944) (1,029,675)	(626,319) 611,961	(935,263) (417,714)		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263
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Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program FTE positions	2.00	488,590		488,590				0	(2.00)	(488,590)		(488,590)
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832	1.00	90.416	90,416	180,832	25 20			0
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Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512	1.00		179,512	179,512				0
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery maintenance position	1.00		180,832	180,832	1.00		180,832	180,832				0
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435,336		435,336								
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at the Dickinson Readiness Center	2.00	186,618	186,616	373,234		186,618	186,616	0 373,234	(2.00)	(435,336)		(435,336)
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position at Camp Grafton		84,384	84,384	168,768		84,384	84,384	168,768				0
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator position			257,694	257,694			257,694	257,694				0
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253		000 745	0.704.500					STEP STATE
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253				0
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and property taxes		(124,046)	1,129,410	(124,046)		86,900 (124,046)	1,129,416	1,216,316 (124,046)				0
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232				0
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87.336		87,336		07.000						
Adds emergency response funding		07,000	2,000,000			87,336	0.000.000	87,336				0
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Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000				\$0
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Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade			250,000	250,000			206,426	206,426			(\$43,574)	(43,574
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000			660,000	660,000				
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000			39,050,000	39,050,000				
Adds funding for wildland fires				0			2,550,000	2,550,000			2,550,000	2,550,000
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch			525,000	525,000		-	525,000	525,000				-, (
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000			495,000	495,000				
Adds funding for the line of communication bridge			400,000	433,000			3,674,000	3,674,000			3,674,000	3,674,000
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Adds funding for the Dickinson readiness center				0			5,800,000	5,800,000			5,800,000	5,800,000
Adds funding for the Camp Grafton fitness facility				0			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000
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Subsection 1 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center for the 2023-25

Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540

Section Description	Armstrong Executive Budget	House Version	
Exemption - Line of communication bridge training site		Subsection 2 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
		unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line	
		of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into	
		the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton fitness facility		Subsection 3 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to \$9	
		million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund	
		appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp	
		Grafton fitness facility for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27	
		biennium.	
Exemption - Tuition, recruiting, and retention		Subsection 4 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
6		unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting,	
		and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium, which may be used for administration and	
		operating costs.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion		Subsection 5 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
		unexpended National Guard training area and facility development	
		trust fund appropriation authority relating to the expansion of Camp	
		Grafton for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - State active-duty software and		Subsection 6 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
maintenance		unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation	
		authority relating to replacing state active-duty software and	
		maintenance for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Cybersecurity grants		Subsection 7 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to	
The first of the second		\$314,000 in unexpended general fund appropriation authority	
		relating to cybersecurity grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Flood mitigation grants		Subsection 8 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to	
		\$225,000 in unexpended disaster relief fund appropriation authority	
		relating to flood mitigation grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium.	
Legislative intent - Camp Grafton		Section 9 provides legislative intent that the Adjutant General	
		contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp	
		Grafton expansion and that the Adjutant General not use eminent	
		domain for the expansion.	
Emergency measure		Section 10 provides that subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 1, relating	
		to the STORM Act funding, critical infrastructure state matching	
		fund, and Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an	
		emergency measure.	



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MAJOR RELATED LEGISLATION AFFECTING THE ADJUTANT GENERAL AS OF CROSSOVER

This memorandum provides information on major related legislation affecting the Adjutant General as of Crossover:

House Bill No. 1024 - This bill provides a \$6,058,279 general fund deficiency appropriation to the Adjutant General for the 2023-25 biennium, of which \$1,763,490 is for interest repayment for outstanding Dakota Access Pipeline response loans and \$4,294,789 is to repay Bank of North Dakota loans for the state's share of disaster costs.

House Bill No. 1073 - This bill authorizes the use of the state disaster relief fund following a declaration of a state of disaster or emergency issued by the Governor in accordance with Section 37-17.1-05 of the North Dakota Century Code.

House Bill No. 1076 - This bill increases the payment of a death benefit to the beneficiary or next of kin of a member of the National Guard who died while serving on state active duty from \$15,000 to \$100,000.

House Bill No. 1079 - This bill renames the divisions within the Department of Emergency Services. The Division of Homeland Security would be renamed the Division of Homeland Security and Emergency Management, and State Radio would be renamed the State Emergency Communications Center.

Senate Bill No. 2082 - This bill authorizes the Division of Homeland Security director to set fees for the state hazardous chemical fee system.

Senate Bill No. 2114 - This bill authorizes the Division of State Radio director to set State Radio system and service fees.

NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES BUDGET PRIORITIES

Critical Infrastructure State Match

- Increase ability to perform required maintenance and repairs on facilities with state cost share
- Request \$6M (\$1.5M base budget, \$4.5M SIIF)
- Federal Funds ROI 3:1
- Extend the life span of the 330 NDNG state facilities

Infrastructure Insurance

- Increase insurance coverage on NDNG facilities
- Request \$790K
- NDNG Infrastructure is under insured by \$280M
- Properly insured infrastructure in case significant damage occurs



Regional Training Institute (RTI) Authority

- Receive state authority to use federal funds for construction of additional lodging for the RTI
- Request \$34M Authority to spend Federal Funds.
- 65% Preliminary Design submitted for review in Dec 2024
- Project ready for bid by Oct 2025
- Sufficient lodging to support the federal mission of the RTI



Next Generation Leadership Pilot Program - Military Pathways

- Establish a Secondary Education Pilot Program
- Request 2 x FTEs = \$518,612
- Demand for this program has been expressed by multiple high school administrators
- Coordinating w/ DPI and Center for Distance Education is on-going
- Expose more youth to military values, culture, and history to build strong community leaders

Williston Readiness Center Design Funds

- Design a facility for Alpha Battery who relocated to Williston in 2023
- Request \$2.5M for design
- Future state request for construction, estimated \$29 Million
- Federal Construction would be 2040 at earliest
- Once built operations and maintenance is 50/50 cost share
- Positioned to request funds and construct a purpose-built facility on land designated by the city





NORTH DAKOTA NATIONAL GUARD LEGISLATIVE PRIORITIES

NDNG FTEs

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st	Funding Source	Resource	Desired Outcomes	
ness Center pervisor	50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$193,192	Appropriate facility staff to support the a newly constructed readiness center.	
Cemetery www.FTE)	Special Funds (NDVC Foundation)	\$191,871	Achieve consistency in a critical position to maintain operations.	
emetery w FTE)	Special Funds (NDVC Foundation)	\$194,611	Convert position from temp to permanent to decrease turnover and increase productivity.	
ess Center	50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$373,234	Continuation of Funding for the 2 FTEs authorized last session	
Training Facility	50/50 State/Fed Cost Share	\$168,768	Continuation of Funding for the FTE authorized last session	
ordinator	100% Federal Funding	\$273,604	Appropriate staffing will create efficiency of future construction projects.	
	NDNG	POLICY		
Initiative Action Items		Resources	Desired Outcomes	
Increase death gratuity from \$15K to \$100K to match federal benefit State Active-Duty Authority Expand protections for Service		\$100K (funded from the disaster relief fund)	Parity with federal benefits	
Members (SMs)		Authority	SMs reimbursed for treatment/care required after SAD mission ends	
Educate and inform legislators on negative impacts to the NG if this legislation passes		Opposition	"Defend the Guard" Legislation not adopted in North Dakota	
	ness Center pervisor Cemetery w FTE) Cemetery w FTE) Cess Center Training Facility Cordinator Increase de to \$100K	ness Center Sol/50 State/Fed Cost Share Special Funds (NDVC Foundation) Share Training Sol/50 State/Fed Cost Share Training Sol/50 State/Fed Cost Share Share T	ness Center pervisor Special Funds (NDVC Foundation) Special Fun	

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TESTIMONY OF BRIGADIER GENERAL MITCHELL R. JOHNSON THE ADJUTANT GENERAL BEFORE THE 69th LEGISLATIVE SESSION HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE MARCH 10, 2025 IN SUPPORT OF GOVERNOR'S EXECUTIVE RECOMMENDATION

Chairman Wanzek, members of the Government Operations Division, my name is Mitch Johnson, the Adjutant General of the National Guard and the Director of Emergency Services for the state of North Dakota. I am here today to testify in support of the Governor's executive recommendation and address House Bill 1016.

The dedicated members of the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG), North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDES), and Civil Air Patrol (CAP) consistently exemplify exceptional commitment, resilience, and selflessness as they remain ready to serve and safeguard the people of North Dakota whenever duty calls. Additionally, the National Guard is prepared to deploy as a powerful operational force to defend the homeland and to fulfill its mission to prevail in America's conflicts.

Additionally, per the House chairman's request from December 19, 2024, please find attached responses to our written testimony and presentation. I will be providing additional information on these topics throughout my testimony.

- Direct responses to all of the information requested by the Chairman. (Attachment #1)
- Responses to question #5, FTE positions approved by the 2023 Legislative Assembly (Attachment #2)
- 3. A one-page itemized listing of the changes our agency is requesting the committee to make to the executive recommendation. (Attachment #3)

Role of the National Guard and Emergency Services

The world is currently in a state of sustained competition that has caused our nation to place a greater reliance on the National Guard and Emergency Services. Since 9/11 our National Guard has evolved from a strategic "cold war" reserve into an operational force expected to be more ready than ever before. It is our responsibility to be a force that is lethal, adaptive, and resilient. Defending our nation, fighting and winning America's wars are our primary mission, so we must be agile enough to rapidly pivot and provide critical resources in defense of the homeland and in support of our communities and state during times of crisis. The Department of Emergency Services must remain vigilant, adaptable, and fully prepared to address a wide range of threats, from natural disasters to the actions of both state and non-state actors. Our experiences over the past 15 years – responding to floods, wildfires, droughts, civil unrest, and a global pandemic – underscore the critical importance of building and maintaining a high level of readiness. This ongoing commitment ensures that we can protect our communities swiftly and effectively, whatever the challenge.

State of the National Guard

As an organization, we continuously train to meet the demands of a dynamic and competitive global environment. The NDNG lives by the motto "Always Ready, Always There," a commitment we uphold across the state and whenever our Soldiers and Airmen are called to serve worldwide. As threats to the homeland and abroad continue to evolve, so do the challenges we face. To remain fully prepared to support our state and communities – and to strengthen our capabilities against adversaries globally – we must modernize and enhance our readiness and effectiveness.

State of the Department of Emergency Services

The North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDES) consists of the Division of Homeland Security and the Division of State Radio. NDDES provides 24/7 emergency communications and resource coordination with more than 50 lead and support agencies, private enterprise, and voluntary organizations to assist local and tribal jurisdictions in disaster and emergency response activities.

The Division of Homeland Security oversees federal disaster recovery programs and a range of other federal grant initiatives. During the current biennium, the division continued to develop and implement a 24/7 all-hazard, whole of government Watch Center to continually scan, assess and initiate early response to public safety emergencies. Additionally, the Division manages the State Emergency Operations Center (SEOC), coordinating statewide responses to emergencies and disasters as specified in the State Emergency Operations Plan (SEOP). Acting as a bridge between federal, local, tribal, private, and volunteer agencies, the Division facilitates resource coordination, gathers damage assessment data, monitors situational developments, and evaluates the need for potential state and federal declarations and assistance requests. The Division also provides administrative support for the North Dakota Civil Air Patrol (CAP), which leads civilian search and rescue operations in North Dakota. CAP assists with information gathering, reconnaissance during disasters, and emergency transport, with members trained to FEMA emergency response standards. This program operates with one Full Time Equivalent (FTE) and has a budget allocation of \$390,571.

The State Radio Communications System has over 4,000 users representing 310 agencies of the local, state, and federal government. The Division of State Radio coordinates 9-1-1 services as well as emergency medical, fire, and law enforcement response for 26 North Dakota counties. State Radio serves as the primary or secondary backup for 12 of the 21 public safety answering points (PSAP's) throughout the state, is the primary dispatch center for the N.D. Highway Patrol, the Game and Fish Department and various other state and federal agencies, and also responds to calls for emergency assistance across the state. The Division of State Radio manages the statewide law enforcement query system (NLETs message switch) for all law enforcement and PSAP's statewide. Statewide communication services ensure necessary resources are dispatched for emergency response.

Explanation of 2023-25 Budget

General Funds:

The requirement of general funds for the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG) and the North Dakota Department of Emergency Services (NDDES) for the 2023-25 biennium has been on track as projected. We anticipate spending all general funds. We are requesting carryover

authority for the NDNG Tuition, Enlistment, and Compensation budget line, and the remaining funds appropriated for the cybersecurity grants, which I will explain more later in my testimony.

Federal Funds:

Approximately 85-90% of our funding is provided through federal cooperative agreements and federal grants. This biennium, the NDDES estimates approximately \$289,000,000 in federal funds, of which \$254,000,000 are FEMA grant funds and \$35,000,000 are Homeland Security grant funds. At the end of November 2024 approximately \$69,000,000 has been dispersed to counties, cities, tribal governments, emergency management entities, and first responder organizations. Federal funding received has mostly been expended to support disaster recovery efforts resulting from 2019, 2020, 2021, 2022, and 2023 presidential declared disasters. Funds have also been expended to improve state, county, and tribal mitigation and preparedness planning, law enforcement planning, intelligence analysis activities, interoperable communications, and supporting regional response capabilities. The NDNG has received \$115,600,000 in the current biennium to support the Air and Army Guard facilities, missions, and team members.

Special Funds:

Revenues from special funds provide some of the agency's operational funding sources. We will be very close to what we projected with \$3,800,000 in radio fees, \$1,200,000 in hazardous chemical fees, and \$915,000 in Veterans Cemetery maintenance funds. Hazardous chemical fees were budgeted at roughly \$1,470,000. We projected roughly \$14.5 million in Disaster Relief Fund expenditures and have incurred costs of approximately \$1,650,000 through October 2024 and estimating to spend another \$7,900,000 before June 30, 2025. The Disaster Relief Fund expenditures can vary significantly depending on the timing of project completions and disaster response efforts.

Estimated 2023-25 spending and status of one-time funding

The agency received one-time funding for a variety of projects identified below. The figures reported are as of November 2024, unless otherwise noted.

- Dickinson Readiness Center \$15,500,000 of federal appropriation was received during the 2021-23 biennium for the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center. Carryover authority and an additional \$8,900,000 of State Fiscal Recovery Funds (SFRF) were received through the sixty-eighth legislative session, along with \$5,800,000 of additional federal authority through Emergency Commission actions to be expended on the project. The \$8,900,000 of SFRF was obligated prior the December 2024 deadline and will all be spent on the project. As of November 2024, approximately \$20,500,000 has been expended on the project. The project has a projected completion date of September 2025. Carryover authority has been requested for the 2025-27 biennium due to unknown project delays that may arise.
- Camp Grafton Fitness Facility \$9,000,000 of SFRF was received for the
 construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility. The agency requested and
 received an additional \$2,000,000 of federal authority through Emergency
 Commission during the current biennium. As of November 2024, approximately
 \$3,100,000 of SFRF and \$100,000 of federal funds have been spent on the project.

The project has a projected completion date of February 2026. They agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27 biennium.

- Deferred Maintenance \$1,000,000 of general funds were received for critical infrastructure projects located throughout the National Guard facilities.
 Approximately \$830,000 has been expended on nine projects. The remaining funds will be spent prior to biennium end.
- Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) Equipment \$2,700,000 of SFRF was received for the purchase of SIRN equipment. Of the funds received, all but \$4,242.70 was expended on the purchase of 328 radios and one dispatch console plus required installation and setup. The equipment will be used by ND National Guard units to train and respond to statewide emergencies.
- Minot Airport Hangar \$60,000 of general funds were appropriated for the purchase of a hangar in Minot, ND for Civil Air Patrol. Of the funds received, \$51,273 was expended and the remaining funds will be turned back at the end of the biennium.
- Emergency Response Equipment & Supplies \$660,000 in federal authority was received for the purchase of disaster response equipment if federal funds became available. As of November 2024, \$27,900 was expended to purchase a forklift for the Department of Emergency Services warehouse.
- Cybersecurity Grant \$314,000 of general funds were appropriated to provide up to five percent to political subdivisions towards the required local match for cybersecurity projects. Approximately \$174,000 has been expended through November 2024, and the agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27 biennium as not all the projects will be completed by biennium end.
- Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act (STORM) \$1,000,000 of Disaster Relief Funds were appropriated for a 10% state match on state revolving loan funds for mitigation projects to local governments. This past year was the first year this program was offered, and our state was very successful in being awarded \$16,600,000 in projects for local communities. The agency is requesting funding with an emergency clause for the 2025-27 biennium to distribute the entirety of the federal funds received.
- Flood Mitigation Grants \$225,000 of Disaster Relief Funds (DRF) were appropriated for flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion. Approximately \$12,000 has been expended on Phase I of the project through November 2024. The project will continue moving forward with a large part of Phase II being completed next biennium. The agency has requested carryover authority.
- Natural Disaster Response & Recovery Grants \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief fund (DRF) was appropriated for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters. The agency utilized this funding for ice jams along the Missouri River in the Spring of 2024, and most recently for the wildland fires that occurred in western North Dakota. In response to these two activities, the agency is projecting expenditures of roughly \$120,000.

- Disaster Grants \$142,652,500 was appropriated, consisting of \$136,947,500 in federal authority and \$5,705,000 in Disaster Relief funds. Through November 2024, approximately \$31,400,000 in federal funds and \$1,100,000 in Disaster Relief funds have been expended. Projects are still being awarded, and the funds are distributed as the projects complete various stages.
- State Radio Consoles \$150,000 of general funds were received for replacement of 10 State Radio consoles. The bids received exceeded the general fund authority, however the agency requested and received an additional \$281,474 in special fund authority to move forward with the project. All the general funds have been spent.
- Retirement Payouts \$275,000 was appropriated for agency retirement leave payouts of which \$100,000 was general funds and \$175,000 was federal fund authority. As of November 2024, approximately \$91,000 has been expended and is made up of \$23,000 of general funds and \$68,000 in federal authority.
- Line of Communication Bridge Training Site \$6,000,000 of federal authority was appropriated through the sixty-seventh legislative assembly, and carryover authority was granted from the sixty-eighth legislative assembly for completion of this project. Through Emergency Commission actions, the agency was approved for an additional \$3,674,000 of federal authority during the 2023-25 biennium. Approximately \$4,500,000 has been expended through November 2024, with an estimated project completion date of December 2025. The agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27 biennium.
- Camp Grafton Expansion Through the sixty-seventh legislative assembly, the
 agency received \$600,000 of Strategic Investment and Improvements Funds (SIIF),
 and through the sixty-eighth legislative assembly, the agency received \$1,750,000 of
 general funds which were deposited into the National Guard Training Area and
 Facility Development Trust fund for the expansion of Camp Grafton and the intent to
 pursue interest in land around Camp Grafton South for the eventual construction of a
 multi-purpose machine gun range. The entirety of SIIF has been expended, and
 roughly \$1,600,000 remains of the National Guard Training Area and Facility
 Development Trust fund. NDCC 37-07.3-03 extends the use of the fund through
 June 30, 2029. The agency has requested carryover authority for the 2025-27
 biennium.

Executive Recommendation (2025-27)

Next, I will discuss the executive recommendation for the 2025-27 biennium and compare it to our 2023-25 base budget. During my testimony, I will cover all one-time spending proposed for the 2025-27 biennium.

Subdivision 1. National Guard

Salaries and Wages

The salary and wages line includes funding for 14 FTEs and temporary team members supporting the National Guard division. The team members include the executive team, administrative staff, billeting operations, tuition and education, Veterans benefit specialists, ND Cares, a clinical specialist and two new FTEs for the Next Generation Leader Program. The Governor's Recommendation shows a net decrease in the salary and wages budget line. This is largely due to realignment of several positions that support the Army National Guard facilities. In previous biennium, it was not uncommon for a position that was both federally and state funded to be split between two separate budget lines. To align the funding sources, and provide internal program manager budgets, the positions were realigned to all fall under one budget class, Army Guard Contract. The net decrease shown in the salary and wages line item is offset by increases in the Governor's recommended compensation and benefits package, and realignment of three FTEs that previously fell under the Reintegration Program line. When the Reintegration Program budget line was created, this program had more FTEs than the program does today. The agency did not feel it was necessary to have a separate budget line for three FTE salaries, therefore an internal realignment of those budget dollars was completed.

The two additional FTEs approved for the Next Generation Leader Program are aimed at establishing a state-funded high school training program to provide Choice Ready options for high school students. Key points to the initiative include things such as: leadership and character development, educational benefits, career preparation, community engagement and citizenship, physical fitness and health, cultural and historical awareness, state and national security, economic benefits and state pride and identity.

Operating Expenses

Similar to the decrease shown in the salary and wages line item, the operating expenses budget line shows a net decrease from the base budget. In previous biennium, the general funds expended to support the NDNG facilities were projected here. The agency has over 330 facilities located throughout the state with varying federal/state match requirements. The agency is looking to realign all funding sources for the facility maintenance and repair, daily operations, and staffing under one program area. For the 2025-27 biennium, the state portion of the costs has been budgeted under the Army Guard Contract budget line, where the federal dollars have been budgeted in prior years. The remaining funds in the Operating Expenses line item are operational costs to support the team members budgeted in the salary and wages line. and other miscellaneous costs the National Guard division may incur throughout the biennium. Similar to the realignment of the Reintegration Program FTEs described above, the operational costs for this program area were also realigned within the internal budget eliminating the need to have a separate Reintegration Program budget line. This budget line includes funding in the executive recommendation for an increase to infrastructure insurance. The agency has several facilities that are significantly underinsured, and this would allow us to pay premiums for fully insured facilities.

Capital Assets

The capital assets line provides \$36,500,000 of total appropriation, consisting of \$34,000,000 in federal authority for an additional billeting wing on the Regional Training Institute located at Camp Grafton and \$2,500,000 in general funds for the design of a Williston Readiness Center. Once the design for the Readiness Center is completed, an estimated \$29,000,000 will be requested during the 2027-29 biennium to construct the facility.

Grants

The grants line consists of \$470,692 of general funds, which provides annual rent payments to community owned armories partially occupied by NDNG units in seven communities across North Dakota. For the 2025-27 biennium, with the completion of the Dickinson Readiness Center, the agency will utilize six locations for unit readiness.

Civil Air Patrol

The North Dakota Civil Air Patrol (CAP) is an agency called upon for civilian search and rescue as well as information gathering during state disasters. There is one FTE in this program, and this budget line shows an overall increase. The increase includes \$250,000 of one-time Strategic Investment and Improvements Fund (SIIF) for the purchase of Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) upgrades which would provide the wing with modernized communications systems to ensure interoperability with other state and local responders. This is a required upgrade to remain compatible with the response community and the agency has requested an emergency clause for this purchase. The remainder of the increase in this budget line is for salary increases based on the executive recommendation.

Tuition, Recruiting and Retention

The State Tuition Assistance (STA) program remains our #1 recruiting tool. The base budget includes \$3,362,235 in general funds for the 2025-27 biennium, and we are requesting carryover of an estimated \$2,750,000 from the 2023-25 biennium. This funding provides the resources required to offer up to 100% tuition reimbursement for our qualified members, and critical recruiting tools to assist in obtaining full formations. The agency received \$320,000 in the base budget during the sixty-eighth legislative assembly targeted at a program which provides a stipend for current and former members of the NG that provide a lead on a recruit that results in an enlistment. This program has been successful, and enlistments have increased. During the last legislative session, the tuition program was expended to help offset not only in-state tuition costs, but also out-of-state tuition costs. By expanding the program to schools located outside of North Dakota, the state was able to better posture themselves to compete with bordering states and retain top talent that is critical to the ND National Guard force.

Within the executive recommendation for the 2025-27 biennium, language has been included allowing the agency to utilize the funds for program administration and operating costs. Our current program operates with a significant amount of data entry, delaying customer service. We are proposing to establish a state tuition assistance portal that not only students would have access to, but schools will also be able to create an account. The goal is the service member can consistently check their status of application, application history, reimbursement status and history, lifetime credit balance in each education level and other significant information. The goal is to include an option for the universities to create an account,

providing them with the ability to verify students' eligibility to the STA program, create a rollup of applications and possibly a history for their records. The port will increase efficiency, communication with universities and students, and bring our STA program to a more cutting edge of technology that has been long overdue.

Full formations are critical to ensuring we are ready to deploy overseas, respond to domestic emergencies, and ensure we sustain National Guard capabilities.

Air Guard Contracts

This budget line supports the state funded facilities and 31 state FTEs at the ND Air National Guard located at Hector Field in Fargo. Seventeen FTEs are 75% federally funded and 25% generally funded. The remaining 14 FTEs are 100% federally reimbursed. Funding in this budget line supports both state and federal missions and 489,000 sq. ft. of federal facilities located at Hector Field. The majority of those facilities require a 25% state match to support utilities and operational costs. This funding is critical for maintaining our facilities and operations. Overall, this budget line shows an increase which is largely attributed to internal realignment of required funds for daily operations of the facilities and staff. The increase from the base budget also encompasses the compensation package included in the executive recommendation.

Army Guard Contracts

This budget line supports federally funded facilities and 99 current FTEs, along with two additional FTE requests for the 2025-27 biennium. Many of the FTEs require a general and federal fund match. The executive recommendation has an overall increase which includes the executive recommendation compensation package, seven agency requests, and a major realignment of FTEs and operating funds between agency budget lines.

In previous biennium, both salary and operating expenses were split between the Army Guard Contract line, Salaries & Wages line, as well as the Operating Expenses line based on the match and funding source required for the expenditure. Due to the complexities of the program, the agency has aligned both the federal and state match under the Army Guard Contract line. The realignment of funds will provide internal efficiencies and effective program budget capabilities to better assist the division responsible for managing the cooperative agreement funds and team members. The reallocation of funds within the Army Guard line mirrors the internal processes already in place for other sections within the agency such as Civil Air Patrol, Air Guard Contracts and Veterans Cemetery.

The seven agency requests are made up of \$6,000,000 for critical infrastructure, two additional FTEs, realignment of funding for an existing FTE position, and full biennial funding for three FTEs authorized during the sixty-eighth legislative assembly but were approved to be filled for a partial biennial year.

The agency received \$6,000,000 in funding for critical infrastructure projects. The funds are made up of \$1,500,000 of ongoing general funds and \$4,500,000 of SIIF. The agency owns 330 buildings throughout the state with approximately 27% state funded support required based upon usage. The replacement value is estimated at \$900,000,000 for buildings. For the 2023-25 biennium, the federal government provided roughly \$18,000,000 to support the infrastructure requirements while the state provided \$1,000,000 in general fund match. The Army National Guard has several facilities around the state that require new roofs, new chillers, boilers and

other building system repairs. Maintaining these facilities is crucial to NDNG Soldier and Airmen readiness for response to federal and state missions.

Current funding levels for maintenance and repairs have not kept pace with increased costs of materials and labor. Additional state funding is required to properly maintain the buildings owned and operated by the National Guard, of which three are used to support four other state and federal agencies such as ND Highway Patrol, Bureau of Criminal Investigation, ND Information Technology, and the Federal Department of Homeland Security. Ongoing maintenance needs require consistent funding. The impact of not funding maintenance requirements is increased probability of catastrophic failure of building systems and equipment as well as increased chances of unsafe, undesirable, or unhealthy working conditions for the over 3,000 full and part-time employees of the NDNG.

One of the FTE requests consists of a Custodial Supervisor for the Dickinson Readiness Center. Historically, when the National Guard builds a facility of this nature the agency receives three FTEs to help maintain it once operational. During the sixty-eighth legislative session, the agency requested the standard three FTEs: a physical plant director, a maintenance supervisor, and a custodial supervisor. The agency did receive two of the three FTEs; however, the custodial supervisor position was cut from our budget request. This request is for the third position the agency feels is critical to properly staff, clean and maintain the property. Building upkeep is a 24/7 year-round responsibility. The construction of the facility is projected to be completed in September 2025, however staffing the facility ahead of time is necessary to ensure the facility has smooth operations upon opening.

The agency received approval in the executive recommendation to repurpose a 100% federally reimbursed Security Forces Squadron position and use this position for an additional Construction Coordinator position that is also 100% federally reimbursed. The authority for this position would shift from our Air Guard Contracts budget line to the Army Guard Contracts budget line. The reason for the transparency is the agency requested and received an additional FTE for the Security Forces Squadron during the 2023-25 biennium, however that section of our agency no longer has adequate funding to fill the position.

The remaining agency requests all include a full biennial appropriation and funding for three FTEs received during the sixty-eighth legislative assembly. Two of the three positions were for the Dickinson Readiness Center as mentioned above, and the remaining position was in support of the Camp Grafton Fitness Facility. The Dickinson Readiness Center FTEs were authorized with a fill date of January 2025, and the Fitness Facility position was authorized with a fill date of May 2025. The requests the agency has submitted were for a full 24 months of funding.

Veterans Cemetery

The North Dakota Veterans Cemetery (NDVC) budget line supports five FTEs and temporary team members throughout the year. The NDVC was established in 1992, and an average of 130 burials per year were completed at that time. Currently, the NDVC is performing over 600 burials per year. Two additional FTEs are being requested to fill long term temporary positions the Cemetery must maintain due to workload requirements. One of the FTE positions would assist with administrative functions, and the other FTE position would assist with grounds and cemetery operations. By having the FTE authorizations, it would allow for lower turnover rates, which would in turn have positive effects on the organization. The positions require a lot

of detail and the more consistent we can become with our staff; the less time will be spent training new staff. Lower turnover would allow for more time spent on the critical needs of the facility. The agency is seeking special fund authority, and no additional general funds for the new positions.

Reintegration Program

The reintegration program supports Soldiers and Airmen throughout a deployment and assists the service member and their families with reintegration upon return. This is critical to the overall readiness of the North Dakota National Guard. This program consists of three FTEs: two Outreach Specialists and one Human Resource Counselor. Due to the small number of FTE and internal budget alignments, the funds for this program area were included under both the Salary and Wages and Operating Expense budget lines. The funding for this program consists of salaries, benefits, travel, and minor support costs.

Subdivision 2. ND Department of Emergency Services

Salaries and Wages

This budget line shows an overall increase in the executive recommendation. This budget line supports 79 FTEs and two additional Watch Center FTE requests. The FTEs are comprised of administrative staff, along with both Homeland Security and State Radio full-time and temporary team members.

The two additional watch center FTEs are critical to maintaining an effective an efficient 24/7 watch center capability. The watch center serves the wholistic public safety of citizens and through the gathering and dispersal of information across the state with local and partner agencies with 24-hour service. The watch center has been instrumental in recent events such as the Missouri River Ice Jam, Bordulac Train Derailment, western ND wildland fires and numerous public alerts. State and local partners have stated they appreciate the ongoing situational awareness and 24-hour coverage.

Operating Expenses

The operating expense line supports the basic operating costs of NDDES. The increase shown in the executive recommendation is largely made up of two additional agency requests.

The first request consists of \$509,232 in general fund dollars to support ND Information Technology (NDIT) operations and maintenance costs. As part of unification, NDIT now charges agencies Operations & Maintenance (O&M) costs for various agency support functions. Initially this was tied to unified FTE counts, but for the 2025-27 biennium they are going away from a count basing it on the utilization rates for the Public Safety team that helps support the agency. In working with NDIT for the projected 2025-27 rate increases, we discovered the O&M costs are not associated with our Homeland Security division. As a result of this, the State Radio division will be experiencing a significant increase to their NDIT operating costs they are not able to absorb. The agency is not able to transfer the funding from Homeland Security to State Radio to help offset the charges as the majority of the NDIT bill for Homeland Security is paid with federal grant dollars and those dollars are not able to support State Radio IT

expenditures. The 2% general funds allocated to the Homeland Security division are also necessary to meet the state match requirements for the federal grants.

State Radio's base budget is comprised of 66% personnel costs, leaving limited resources for the remainder of their operations. The remaining operating costs are vastly technology costs the agency cannot operate without. The division has a no fail mission and cannot afford to downsize their manning power to help offset the increased technology costs. The demands put on the division are increasing as they continue to grow and take on more responsibility as jurisdictions continue to seek State Radio services.

For the 2023-25 biennium, both Homeland Security and State Radio are paying \$15,000/month (total of \$30,000/month) for O&M costs. The projected rates for the 2025-27 biennium total \$36,218/month. This is a significant impact to State Radio and will result in them experiencing an increase of \$21,218/month to their NDIT expenditures. This increase equates to \$509,232 of additional funds State Radio will need to request. They are not able to absorb all this cost. State Radio is requesting general funds to offset the difference.

Per NDCC, State Radio does set rates and calculates an amount the locals pay for 911 fees. Those rates must be published one year prior to the start of the biennium. Unfortunately, the timing of when NDIT submitted the O & M costs and when the fee calculations were due, did not align. Therefore, the increased cost is not accounted for in the 2027-29 911 fees. Of State Radio's \$10.5 million budget, 21% on average goes to NDIT.

The second request in this budget line attributing to the overall increase is a request for \$87,336 for the ND Response Website. The costs to operate the NDResponse.gov website are existing costs that have mainly been paid from the NDIT budget since its inception in 2016. For the 2023-25 biennium, the Homeland Security incurs a monthly cost of \$486.00 to support the website. Based on the NDIT funding model, this is unsustainable for them as they do not receive funding for this site and have previously not sought reimbursement. For the 2025-27 biennium, NDIT has notified NDDES they will need to cover the costs of the website. The projected monthly rate DES received from NDIT for this service is going from \$486/month to \$4,125/month. This is a \$87,336 increase that Homeland Security is not able to absorb.

The NDResponse website was originally developed during the Dakota Access Pipeline protests to direct citizens to one trusted source of information for all of ND Government related to public safety; regardless of which agency may be the lead. At that time, the web traffic was extremely high and there were multiple ongoing cyber-attacks against ND government systems. The website is built to effectively function even when all other ND.gov systems are down, providing a resilient and redundant way to reach the citizens.

In addition, the system is built to handle large, rapid influxes of web traffic during public alerts such as Amber, Silver and Blue Alerts. When a public alert is issued, the website may spike to over 200,000 concurrent visitors. NDResponse has been used to communicate to citizens during protests, floods, pandemics, severe summer storms, blizzards, and long-term power outages.

Statutorily, 37-17.1 broadly charges NDDES with reducing the vulnerability to communities, providing a setting conducive to the rapid and orderly restoration after a disaster, and providing a statewide emergency management system that includes prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response and recovery. All those functions are supported by the NDResponse

website. In addition, NDDES has some statutory obligations to support the various public alerts which are now supported by NDResponse.gov.

Capital Assets

Our NDDES total capital asset line consists of \$660,000 of federal authority in the executive recommendation. The funds are intended for the purchase of disaster response equipment if federal funding becomes available.

Grants

The Grants line has a base budget appropriation of \$27,790,000, consisting of \$27,140,000 in federal funds and \$650,000 in special fund authority. The grants are distributed to locals at various stages of their award and is based on anticipated federal grant awards such as the Emergency Performance Management Grants, Homeland Security Grants, Hazardous Emergency Preparedness Grants, Non-profit Security Grant Programs, Cybersecurity Grants, and also special funds resulting from Hazardous Chemical fees.

Disaster Costs

The 2009 Legislature created this budget line due to the extent of the damages and significant funding requirements associated with the 2009 flood. Since then, we have expended most of our disaster funds through this budget line. For the 2025-27 biennium, we estimate approximately \$100,000,000 in disaster spending authority. This is an increase in federal authority from the base budget and is based on projected authority required for the 2025-27 biennium. Biennial projections are based on the projected state share of Public Assistance and Hazard Mitigation payments to local subrecipients, increased Public Assistance payments to locals, and increases to federal awards through the Building Resilient Infrastructure and Communities grants. The timing of these expenditures is highly dependent upon completion of on-going repair projects as well as mitigation projects.

The funding for this line is primarily federal funding, however, it also includes estimates from the State Disaster Relief fund (DRF). Included as part of the DRF, is an appropriation of \$3,550,000 for the state match on the revolving loan fund for the STORM act. In the 2023-25 biennium, the agency was appropriated \$1,000,000 of DRF, however \$0 have been executed to date as the agency is still waiting on the additional match and federal authority required to accept the award from FEMA. This past year was the first year our state has applied for the program, and we were 3rd nationally in terms of total dollars selected at \$16,600,000. The \$1,000,000 of DRF that were approved last biennium was not sufficient to meet the 10% state match of \$16,600,000, so an additional \$660,000 is required to accept the full federal award. In addition, the agency needs the federal authority for the awarded funds. The agency has requested the additional funding for the remaining cost match with an emergency clause in the agency's appropriation bill for the 2025-27 biennium and is seeking federal fund authority and DRF approval for the 2025-27 biennium to continue applying for additional federal funds in future grant rounds.

Radio Communications

The Radio Communications line totals \$1,020,000 and includes funding for two critical resources the division of State Radio needs. The number one priority is for a redundant switch with an estimated cost of \$525,000. The current system is running with single points of failure.

This system is on a "Cannot Fail Mission" and must be redundant due to the criticality of the system. The system is used by all law enforcement statewide as well as ND Insurance Department's Fraud Investigators, Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation facilities, and Minot Airforce Base. The system allows law enforcement to run wants, warrants, driver's license and motor vehicle information. If the current system were to fail, all law enforcement statewide will be impacted with the inability to run any of the necessary searches. Currently law enforcement and dispatch centers are running approximately 7,000,000 search per month. The state of Idaho was running single instance with a Disaster Recovery and had to use other states to help during their crash. They were down for four days, and it took several months and \$1,600,000 to resolve the catastrophic event.

The second request is \$495,000 for Statewide Interoperable Radio Network (SIRN) capabilities. The funds will provide for a new recording solution compatible with the new SIRN radio system as the current one is not compatible and is past life expectancy. The funds will also cover dual maintenance with the legacy system and the new SIRN system due to having to run them simultaneously, and the ability to convert three deployable tower trailers with SIRN gear.

Executive Recommendation

Standard Clauses

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

VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds which are received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025 and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION – LINE ITEM TRANSFERS. Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets line items contained in section 1 of this Act from the various other line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

ESTIMATED INCOME – STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND. The estimated income line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes \$3,550,000 from the state disaster relief fund for the STORM Act program.

NATURAL DISASTER RESPONSE AND RECOVERY GRANTS. The disaster costs line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes \$2,000,000 from the state disaster relief fund for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters.

Carry-Over Clauses

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over of federal funds appropriated for the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center in section 12.4 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Requests #2107 and #2137 are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the Dickinson Readiness Center project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over of federal funds appropriated for the line of communication bridge training site in section 12.5 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Requests #2106 and #2123 are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the line of communication bridge project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount of \$9,000,000 of federal state fiscal recovery funds appropriated in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws, along with additional federal funds appropriated through Emergency Commission Request #2108 for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility are not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to complete the construction of the fitness facility during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount appropriated in the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used for tuition assistance program administration and operating costs and to provide tuition assistance, recruiting and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North Dakota national guard during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over from the National Guard training area and facility development trust fund pursuant to section 12.6 and 13 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws for the expansion of Camp Grafton is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to continue forward with the expansion of Camp Grafton during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. Any amounts carried over from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for pursuant to section 12.8 of chapter 48 of the 2023 special session laws is not subject to section 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used for the purpose of replacing the state active-duty software and maintenance during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount of \$314,000 of general funds appropriated for cybersecurity grants in section 9 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws is not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to provide grants to political subdivisions for all or a portion of the required five percent local match for cybersecurity enforcement during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

EXEMPTION. The amount of \$225,000 of disaster relief funds appropriated for flood mitigation grants in section 7 of chapter 48 of the 2023 session laws is not subject to 54-44.1-11 and any unexpended funds from this appropriation may be used to provide flood mitigation grants during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

Legislative Intent

CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that:

- The adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of no more than one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total.
- 2. The adjutant general not use eminent domain for the expansion of camp Grafton.

<u>Others</u>

NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY GALLERY. The adjutant general may accept funds including private and federal, to match state funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery during the period beginning with the effective date of this Act, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general, with the approval of the governor, has entered into an agreement with the state historical society for the construction of a new facility, the renovation of an existing property, and the operations and maintenance of a military gallery. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

Emergency Clauses

EMERGENCY. Section 1 subdivision 1, related to the critical infrastructure state match, next generation leader program, Civil Air Patrol SIRN Upgrade and section 1 subdivision 2, related to STORM Act funding, of this Act are declared to be an emergency measure.

Conclusion

Mr. Chairman that concludes our testimony. I would like to leave you with these final thoughts: This is a critical period for the Office of the Adjutant General as we work to modernize our facilities and enhance incentives, meeting the demands of an ever-evolving strategic and competitive landscape. To remain "Always Ready, Always There" for our state and federal missions, our investment in readiness, capacity, and future capabilities must keep pace. Readiness continues to be my top priority, and the 2025-27 biennial request for appropriations addresses our most pressing needs in this area.

I respectfully ask for your support of the executive recommendation and am happy to answer any questions you may have. Thank you.

OUTLINE FOR AGENCY BUDGET PRESENTATIONS TO THE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

- 1. Explain the purpose of the agency and its various divisions/programs Cite the North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) provisions and attach an organizational chart.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 1 2 for the purpose of the agency and its various divisions/programs.
 - b) Organization Chart reference slide 2
 - c) Title 37 Military

Major responsibilities include:

- 1. Train and respond to domestic emergencies; natural and man-made disasters and emergencies.
- 2. Train and respond to overseas combat and humanitarian missions
- 3. Perform counterdrug operations with local law enforcement
- d) NDCC 37-17.1-02 Purposes

The purposes of this chapter are to:

- 1. Reduce vulnerability of people and communities of this state to damage, injury, and loss of life and property resulting from natural or manmade disasters or emergencies, threats to homeland security, or hostile military or paramilitary action.
- 2. Provide a setting conducive to the rapid and orderly start of restoration and rehabilitation of persons and property affected by disasters or emergencies.
- 3. Clarify the roles of the governor, state agencies, and local governments in prevention of, in mitigation of, preparation for, response to, and recovery from disasters or emergencies.
- 4. Authorize and provide for coordination of emergency management activities by agencies and officers of this state, and similar state-local, interstate, federal-state, and foreign activities in which the state and its political subdivisions may participate.
- 5. Provide for a statewide emergency management system embodying all aspects of prevention, mitigation, preparedness, response, and recovery and incorporating the principles of the national incident management system and its incident command system, as well as other applicable federal mandates.
- Report any audit findings included in the most recent audit and action taken to address each finding.
 - a) There were no audit findings identified in the most recent audit (Agency Audit for the two-year period ending June 30, 2022).
- 3. Discuss current biennium accomplishments and challenges and next biennium goals and plans.
 - a) Reference written testimony.
- 4. Compare the agency's request/recommendation totals, including full-time equivalent (FTE) positions, for the next biennium compared to the current biennium.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 5 13.
 - b) FTEs The agency has received seven additional FTEs in the executive recommendation. Details of the FTE requests are outlined in #7 below, and also within the written testimony and PowerPoint slides provided to the committee.
- Discuss any new positions approved for your agency for the 2023-25 biennium by the 2023 Legislative
 Assembly, the timing of filling the positions, amounts transferred from the OMB pool for the filled positions,
 and funding appropriated and the amount estimated to be spent for each position for the 2023-25 biennium.
 - 1. Reference Attachment #2

6. Discuss employee turnover and the number of vacant positions during the 2023-25 biennium to date, the amount of savings relating to the vacant positions and employee turnover to date compared to the vacant position savings removed from your agency's budget by the 2023 Legislative Assembly, the amount of vacant position saving spent for other purposes, and any amounts transferred or anticipated to be transferred from the OMB pool.

As of December 1, 2024 the agency had 14 vacant positions. As of the beginning of January 2025, four positions were filled, two positions were advertised, one position was pending advertisement, two positions were pending interviews and the remaining five positions are being analyzed by the agency. The agency evaluates each vacant position and works to find the best possible solution to meet organizational needs.

Each quarter the agency submits information related to vacancy savings per the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) request, which is then reported to the Budget Section. The last report submitted to OMB was for vacancies for the time period July 2023 – October 2024. At that time, the agency estimated \$1,740,246 of vacancy savings of which \$484,909 had been used for various things such as accrued leave payouts, salary increases, bonuses, location pay, reclassifications, additional temporary salaries, overtime and also funding for two watch center positions the agency did not receive funding for during the sixty-eighth legislative session.

As of January 2025, all available funds have been requested from the OMB pool. The funding that was removed from our agency appropriation does <u>not</u> cover all of the projected funds needed for the new and vacant positions. The agency received nine funded FTE positions as the start of the 2023-25 biennium. Two of the new positions had a delayed authorized start date of January 2025 and one position had a delayed authorized start date of May 2025, however there are no more funds available in the pool to request for these positions. The other portion of the pool relates to vacant positions as of July 1, 2023. The agency had 19 vacant positions as of this date. Of those 19 vacant positions, we were able to request full funding for 10 positions and partial funding for two other positions before all of the funding in the pool was exhausted. The FTE pool was not an ideal situation for our agency and the additional funding is necessary to operate and ensure our biennial needs are met.

The agency has salary dollars appropriated throughout many of our budget lines. When the FTE pool reductions were made, we experienced reductions in multiple budget lines and relying on other vacant positions to help offset this reduction does not work for us. As an example, the Civil Air Patrol (CAP) line has one FTE position. The team member who is employed under this line has been with the state for over 12 years and we are not anticipating any turnover. This budget line saw a reduction of \$7,857 due to the funding pool. Since the agency has requested all available funds from the pool, it is uncertain if we will be able to request any funding after March 1, 2025 per SB 2015 to offset this reduction. The reduction of \$7,857 is very significant for this program area. If CAP is forced to reduce operations, it can equate to roughly 50 hours or more of flight proficiency training or four training exercises which synchronize air-ground capabilities as examples. In either case the impact to readiness can be significant.

- 7. Explain the funding included in each program/line item either in total or by division depending on the size of the agency as follows:
 - a) Amounts included in the base budget and their purpose and use; and Reference written testimony.



 Amounts included in the request/recommendation and justification for the change from the base level.

Discuss changes relating to:

- 1) Salaries & Wages; Reference written testimony pages 6 & 10.
- Operating expenses; Reference written testimony pages 6 & 10 12.
- Capital assets; Reference written testimony pages 7 & 12.
- 4) Grants; Reference written testimony pages 7 and 12.
- 5) Any special line items; Reference written testimony pages 7-10 and 12-13.
- Estimated income Special funds; Reference written testimony.
- Estimated income Federal funds; Reference written testimony.
- General fund; and Reference written testimony.
- 9) FTE 7 additional FTE requests
 - 1. (2) Next Generation Leader Program
 - 2. (1) Dickinson Readiness Center Custodial Supervisor
 - 3. (1) Veterans Cemetery Admin
 - 4. (1) Veterans Cemetery Facility
 - 5. (2) Watch Center Officers
- 8. Discuss the purpose and use of any one-time funding items for the current biennium.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 3 5.
- 9. Identify and justify the need for any one-time funding being requested.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 5-13 and slides 10-32.
- 10. Discuss any fees the agency charges, the appropriateness of the fee amount, fee collections that are deposited into the general fund or a special fund, and any anticipated changes from 2023 legislative session estimates during the 2023-25 biennium and estimated changes for the 2025-27 biennium.
 - a) State Radio Communications Fund Following NDCC 37-17.3-09, the director establishes appropriate fees for access to the state radio system and North Dakota law enforcement telecommunications systems (LETS) and other such systems that may be employed that enhance public safety. The director shall announce any fee increases a minimum of one year before the effective date, and as of July 1, 2025 the 911 fees will see an increase of \$0.20 per line per month. In reference to the LETS fees, SB 2114 proposes to remove the flat fees identified in NDCC and establish the fees to be based on a percentage of the fee established by the director. The fees would continue to be charged on a per terminal basis, and be dependent on the county's population. Additional detail regarding SB 2114 is provided in question 13.b below.
 - b) State Hazardous Chemical Fund This special fund consists of revenue collected from the state hazardous chemical fee system. SB 2082 proposes changes to this fund that would allow the director of the homeland security division to set appropriate fees for the state hazardous chemical fee system. The current fees were established in 1991 and the agency feels changes are necessary to keep up with rising inflationary costs and increased demands on operations. NDCC 37-17.1-07.1, Subsection 2.d(2) currently identifies a \$25.00 fee. The proposed changes would remove the \$25.00 fee and replaces it with the fee to be levied on a per chemical basis, with a maximum fee for a facility to be \$1,250.00. Any fee increases shall be announced a minimum of one year before the effective date and the director of homeland security will take into account any economic conditions, general economy and availability of funds appropriated by the legislature to offset the costs of administering the program when setting the fees. One-half of the regular fees collected from the state's hazardous chemical fee system are transferred to the county hazardous chemicals preparedness and response account.



- 11. Identify any federal state fiscal relief funds (SFRF) remaining to be spent by your agency by December 2026. Provide the amount, the purpose, and a timeline of anticipated expenditures.
 - a) The agency received \$8,900,000 of SFRF for the Dickinson Readiness Center. The SFRF represents a small portion of the overall funding for the project and as of November 2024, approximately \$6,000,000 of the funds have been expended. The project has a completion date of September 2025 and the remainder of the funds will be executed.
 - b) The agency received \$9,000,000 of SFRF for the Camp Grafton Fitness Facility. As of November 2024, approximately \$3,900,000 has been expended. The project has a completion date of February 2026 and the remainder of the funds will be executed.
 - c) The agency received \$2,700,000 of SFRF for the purchase of Statewide Interoperable Radio Network Equipment to be utilized by ND National Guard units to train and respond to statewide emergencies. Of the total funding received \$2,695,757 will be expended for the purchase of 328 radios and one console. The remaining funds were returned to the Office of Management and Budget for reallocation.
 - d) The agency received \$450,000 for the purpose of replacing the state active duty software and on-going maintenance costs. Approximately \$322,000 of the funds have been expended, but the remainder of the funds have been obligated. The funds will be executed prior to the December 2026 deadline for ongoing maintenance costs.
- 12. Discuss the need for any other sections to be added to the appropriation bill.
 - a) Reference written testimony pages 13 15.
- 13. Discuss any other bills being considered by the Legislative Assembly and their potential budgetary impact on the agency.
 - a) SB 2082 This bill proposes changes that would allow the director of the homeland security division to set appropriate fees for the state hazardous chemical fee system, with a maximum fee for a facility to be \$1,250.00. Any fee increase shall be announced a minimum of one year before the effective date. The fiscal impacts of this bill are estimated to provide additional revenue of \$582,300 in the 2025-27 biennium. Per NDCC, the division transfers one-half of the regular fees collected to the county hazardous chemicals preparedness and response account, and the other half are used to help offset internal salary and operating costs.
 - b) SB 2114 This bill proposes to remove the flat fees identified in NDCC relating to the state radio system and service fees and instead establishes the fees are to be based on a percentage of the fee established by the director. The fees will still be based on a per terminal basis and are structured on a tiered system based on county population. The 2025-27 fee has been established and the cost per terminal will be \$270.66. This fee is a reduced fee from the current 2023-25 fee of \$402.53 due to a reduction in operating costs. Taking into account the new fee structure, the division is projecting to see reduced revenue of approximately \$32,800. Using the established fees for the 2025-27 biennium, the per terminal fees would be impacted as follows:
 - 1) \$40.00 vs \$40.60
 - 2) \$80.00 vs \$81.20
 - 3) \$120.00 vs \$121.80
 - 4) \$160.00 vs \$162.40
 - 5) \$200.00 vs \$203.00
 - c) HB 1079 This bill relates to the renaming of divisions within the department of emergency services. The Homeland Security division would be renamed to Homeland Security and Emergency Management and the State Radio division would be renamed to Emergency Communications Center. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.



- d) HB 1073 This bill relates to disaster or emergency response and recovery costs, providing authority to spend available funds from the state disaster relief fund. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- e) HB 1075 This bill relates to criminal history record checks by the department of emergency services and would authorize the office of the adjutant general to complete background checks for a final applicant for a job opening or current employee working with the office of the adjutant general to include the department of emergency services. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- f) HB 1076 This bill relates to the payment of a death benefit to the beneficiary of a member of the national guard who died serving on state active duty. The current chapter authorizes the payment of a death benefit to not exceed \$15,000, and this bill would increase the amount to not exceed \$100,000. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency as fortunately this benefit has not been executed in the past. The agency hopes to continue that trend into the future, but increasing the benefit amount aligns the state benefit with the federal benefit amount.
- g) HB 1078 This bill relates to the reimbursement of certain medical expenses for North Dakota national guard members. This bill would provide protections to Service Members on a State Active Duty (SAD) status to ensure they are protected if they become injured or ill on status, but symptoms or discomfort does not become present until they are off of a SAD status. This bill removes the language "when such treatment occurred while on state active duty", and provides greater benefit to the Service Members should they become ill after a state active duty event occurs. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- h) SB 2130 This bill relates to the prequalification, selection, and contracting for architect, engineer, construction management, and land surveying services for the Office of the Adjutant General. This bill would create a section of code within NDCC Chapter 37 where the adjutant general, or their designee, may prequalify, select, and contract for consultants in the areas of architecture, engineering, construction management, land surveying, and related matters, which will aid in expedition of the many projects the agency is tasked with completing throughout the biennium. This bill does not have a budgetary impact on the agency.
- 14. Provide a one-page itemized listing any changes your agency is requesting the committee to make to the executive recommendation.
 - a) Reference Attachment #3.
- 15. Provide additional information as necessary.

Office of the Adjutant General FTE Positions Approved by the 2023 Legislative Assembly 2023-2025 Biennium

	Approved FTE	Hire Date	Transfer from OMB Pool	Funding Appropriated	2023-25 Estimate to be Spent	Comments
1	Physical Plant Director (Dickinson Readiness Center)		5.60	\$ 63,863		This position was authorized to fill as of January 2025. The position has been advertised and ongoing recruitment efforts are taking place.
2	Maintenance Supervisor (Dickinson Readiness Center)			\$ 47,631		This position was authorized to fill as of January 2025. The position has been advertised and ongoing recruitment efforts are taking place.
3	General Trades Maint Worker (Camp Grafton Fitness Facility)			\$ 12,064		This position was authorized to fill as of May 2025.
4	Air National Guard Security Forces	7/15/2024	\$ 72,540	\$ 142,638	\$	Position experienced a delayed hire date due to lack of funding for Security Forces. Requesting a vacant Security Forces position be converted to another area in the 2025-2027 Biennium.
5	Watch Center Manager	8/21/2023	\$ 202,339	\$ 237,290	\$ 202,078	
6	Watch Center Information Coordinator	10/2/2023	\$ 174,048	\$ 178,182	\$ 173,683	
7	Watch Center Officer #1	10/16/2023	\$ 157,745	\$ 204,630	\$ 158,967	
8	Watch Center Officer #2	10/16/2023	\$ 157,745	\$ 204,630	\$ 73,219	Team member is currently on a military deployment. A temporary team member has been hired to back fill position duties.
9	Watch Center Officer #3	10/16/2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 157,871	This position was not funded by the 2023 Legislative Assembly.
10	Watch Center Officer #4	8/3/2023	\$ -	\$ -	\$ 188,437	This position was not funded by the 2023 Legislative Assembly.
11	State Radio Training & Operations Manager	8/1/2023	\$ 217,182	\$ 255,456	\$ 219,342	
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Totals \$ 981,599 \$ 1,346,384 \$ 1,247,527

14. Provide a one-page itemized listing any changes your agency is requesting the committee to make to the executive budget recommendation.

Disaster Costs - Additional Funding for Wildland Fire Federal Declaration Received

- \$11,460,000 Total Funds
 - o \$9,900,000 Federal Funds
 - o \$1,560,000 Special Funds (Disaster Relief Funds)
- Increase to the Disaster Costs budget line under the Department of Emergency Services
- The agency budget was submitted prior to the wildland fire events taking place in October 2024.
 The federal declaration was received in December 2024, therefore we are needing to add in both federal and special fund authority for the event.
- An Emergency Clause is necessary so the agency can offer support to those in need during the current biennium.
- Reference slide 41

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Red River Room, State Capitol

SB 1016 3/20/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

8:31 a.m. Chairman Wanzek opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Wanzek, Vice-Chair Dwyer, Senator Burckhard, Senator Erbele, and Senator Sickler.

Discussion Topics:

- New full-time employee (FTE) positions
- Generational Leadership (Junior ROTC program) to support military recruitment
- National Guard recruitment goals
- Veteran's Cemetery
- 24-hour Watch Center
- Inflationary reduction of unchanging grant fund monies
- Construction coordinator position
- Base level operating expenses
- Natural disaster response and mitigation funds
- Property insurance study
- Regional training facility at Camp Grafton
- Williston area training facility
- Storm Act program

8:33 a.m. Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General, ND National Guard, was introduced.

8:34 a.m. Grant Gader, LC Fiscal Analyst, supplied budget information and referenced testimony #43294.

8:38 a.m. Deputy Adjutant General Huber testified in favor and responded to many questions from the committee.

8:49 a.m. Becky Ulberg, OMB Analyst, supplied budget information.

8:50 a.m. Deputy General Huber continued her testimony.

8:53 a.m. Darin Hanson, Director, ND Homeland Security Division, ND Department of Emergency Services, responded to questions.

9:00 a.m. Deputy Adjutant General Huber resumed testimony.

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9:05 a.m. Grant Gader continued the budget review and responded to questions.

9:08 a.m. Jennifer Scheet, Division Chief, Fiscal Administrative Services, ND National Guard, answered a question.

9:12 a.m. Grant Gader continued the budget review and responded to questions.

9:17 a.m. Jennifer Scheet responded to a question.

9:19 a.m. Becky Ulberg supplied budget information.

9:21 a.m. Jennifer Scheet answered a question.

9:24 a.m. Grant Gader continued the budget review.

9:34 a.m. Colonel Cody Volk, Director of Installations, ND National Guard, responded to committee questions.

9:44 a.m. Chairman Wanzek closed the hearing.

Carol Thompson, Committee Clerk

3-\0-25 Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

		Armstrong E	Executive Budget			Hous	e Version		House Compared to Executive Budget			
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	FTE	General	Other		FTE	General	Other		FTE	General	Other	
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	Positions	Fund	Funds	Total	Positions	Fund	Funds	Total	Positions	Fund	Funds	Total -
	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes						N Lite Wetschen			0.00	Ψ	Ψ0	\$ 0
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)				
Salary increase	1	601,493	1,194,387	1,795,880		568,401	1,194,387	1,762,788		(000 000)		\$0
Health insurance increase		431,679	943,531	1,375,210		407,659	943,531			(\$33,092)		(33,092
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,351,190 1,346,386		(24,020)		(24,020
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469						0
Removes funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool			.,,,,,,,,	2,017,017		(9,042)	1,517,375	2,347,844				0
Removes funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool				0			(45,076)	(54,118)		(9,042)	(\$45,076)	(54,118
Adjusts base level funding for temporary salaries and		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263
overtime		(1,020,070)	011,001	(417,714)		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		1		0
Moves reintegration program to salaries and				0								
operating				•				0			to-	0
Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program	2.00	488,590		488,590								
FTE positions		100,000		400,590				0	(2.00)	(488,590)		(488,590)
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832	1.00	00.440						
position at the Dickinson Readiness Center	,,,,,,	00,410	30,410	100,032	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832				0
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery	1.00		179,512	170 510	4.00						, and a second	
administration position			179,512	179,512	1.00		179,512	179,512		ì		0
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery	1.00		180,832	400,000	4.00					1		
maintenance position			100,032	180,832	1.00		180,832	180,832		7.		0
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions	2.00	435.336		405.000							.,	
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTF positions at	2.00	186,618	100 010	435,336				0	(2.00)	(435,336)	10,	(435,336)
the Dickinson Readiness Center	1	100,010	186,616	373,234		186,618	186,616	373,234				0
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance		84,384	04.204	400 700								
position at Camp Grafton		04,304	84,384	168,768		84,384	84,384	168,768			Š.	0
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator			057.004									
position	1		257,694	257,694			257,694	257,694				0
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989.745	0.704.500									
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	8,781,508	9,771,253		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253			0	0
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and			1,129,416	1,216,316		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316			(%	0
property taxes		(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)	8	(124,046)			N.	0
Adds funding for information technology operations		509,232					8					
and maintenance costs	1	509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232			0	0
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		07.000								¥()		
Adds emergency response funding		87,336		87,336		87,336	5	87,336				0
Adjusts base level funding for land and buildings			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000			10	0
Adjusts base level funding for disaster grants		(00.404)	2,781,796	2,781,796			2,781,796	2,781,796				Ö
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784			- 17	0
natching fund	AL.	1,500,000		1,500,000		1,500,000		1,500,000				0
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance		700.000							1	1		
		790,853		790,853		790,853	8	790,853			a di	0
otal ongoing funding changes	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$46,225,343	\$52,565,405	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$45,553,948	\$50.504.000	(4.00)	/04 000 00 (i		
ne-Time Funding Items	1	v in uniferation		,,, , , , ,	0.00	40,041,030	ψ+0,000,948	\$50,594,986	(4.00)	(\$1,299,024)	(\$671,395)	(\$1,970,419)

New and vacant FTE pool line item					Section 3 prov	vides for the use	of funding in the	new and vacant				
Section Description		Armstrong E	xecutive Budget			House	Version					
Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540												
Total Granges - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	74.1%	67.8%	1.3%	19.7%	81.8%	73.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level						19.7%		25.5%				
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	3.0%	24.8%	26.7%	26.5%	1.3%	10.70/	26.3%	25 50/	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/
Federal funds included in other funds			\$273,716,178		The American Control of the Control		\$286,894,317		, /		\$13,178,139	A STATE OF THE PARTY OF THE PAR
2025-27 Total Funding	240.00	\$31,951,404	\$301,176,695	\$333,128,099	236.00	\$30,652,380	\$314,485,726	\$345,138,106	(4.00)	(\$1,299,024)	\$13,309,031	\$12,010,00
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	7.00	\$6,340,062	\$128,205,343	\$134,545,405	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$141,514,374	\$146,555,412	(4.00)	(\$1,299,024)	\$13,309,031	\$12,010,00
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$81,980,000	\$81,980,000	0.00	\$0	\$95,960,426	\$95,960,426	0.00	\$0	\$13,980,426	\$13,980,42
Adds funding for the Camp Grafton fitness facility				0			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,00
Adds funding for the Dickinson readiness center				0			5,800,000	5,800,000			5,800,000	5,800,00
Adds funding for the line of communication bridge training site				0			3,674,000	3,674,000			3,674,000	3,674,00
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000			495,000	495,000				
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch			525,000	525,000			525,000	525,000				
Adds funding for wildland fires				0			2,550,000	2,550,000			2,550,000	2,550,00
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000			39,050,000	39,050,000				
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000			660,000	660,000				
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade			250,000	250,000			206,426	206,426			(\$43,574)	(43,57
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund			4,500,000	4,500,000			4,500,000	4,500,000				
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center design			2,500,000	2,500,000			2,500,000	2,500,000				
Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000				\$

Section Description	Armstrong Executive Budget	House Version	
New and vacant FTE pool line item		Section 3 provides for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.	
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund		Section 4 appropriates any funds which are received and deposited into the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund, pursuant to Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operations of the Veterans' Cemetery for the 2025-27 biennium.	
Line item transfers		Section 5 provides authority for the Adjutant General to transfer up to \$500,000 from any line item to the operating expenses and capital assets line items.	
Other funds - Strategic investment and improvements fund		Section 6 identifies \$8,226,426 in the other funds line item in Section 1 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching, \$2.5 million is for the Williston Readiness Center design, \$525,000 is for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch, \$495,000 is for SIRN costs, \$206,426 is for the Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade.	
North Dakota military gallery	*	Section 7 authorizes the Adjutant General to accept private and federal funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery.	
Exemption - Dickinson Readiness Center		Subsection 1 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	

Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540

Section Description	Armstrong Executive Budget	House Version	
Exemption - Line of communication bridge training site		Subsection 2 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
		unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line	
		of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into	
		the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton fitness facility		Subsection 3 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to \$9	
		million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund	
		appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp	
		Grafton fitness facility for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27	
		biennium.	
Exemption - Tuition, recruiting, and retention		Subsection 4 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
		unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting,	
		and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium, which may be used for administration and	
		operating costs.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion		Subsection 5 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
		unexpended National Guard training area and facility development	
		trust fund appropriation authority relating to the expansion of Camp	
		Grafton for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - State active-duty software and		Subsection 6 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of	
maintenance		unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation	
		authority relating to replacing state active-duty software and	
		maintenance for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Cybersecurity grants		Subsection 7 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to	
		\$314,000 in unexpended general fund appropriation authority	
		relating to cybersecurity grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Flood mitigation grants		Subsection 8 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to	
		\$225,000 in unexpended disaster relief fund appropriation authority	
		relating to flood mitigation grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
		2025-27 biennium.	
Legislative intent - Camp Grafton		Section 9 provides legislative intent that the Adjutant General	
		contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp	
		Grafton expansion and that the Adjutant General not use eminent	
		domain for the expansion.	
Emergency measure		Section 10 provides that subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 1, relating	
		to the STORM Act funding, critical infrastructure state matching	
		fund, and Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an	
		emergency measure.	

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

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A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

8:32 a.m. Chairman Wanzek opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Wanzek, Vice-Chair Dwyer, Senator Burckhard, Senator Erbele, and Senator Sickler.

Discussion Topics:

- Funding for full-time employees (FTEs)
- · General fund authority
- ND National Guard Watch Center requested FTEs
- Military recruitment for ND
- Eligibility for service and propensity for service
- Development of ND oriented distance learning program for ND schools
- Seeking coordinator for program and hands-on, full-time classroom coach
- Next-Generation Leader Coordinator requested FTEs
- Goal: Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB) test ready students
- Synergy with existing career and technical education programs for ND
- Role and duties of requested FTE
- Choice Ready Initiative for ND DPI, high school credit for leadership training
- Students' physical readiness
- Effects of HB 1404
- Budget Status Report for Legislature
- ND Disaster Relief Fund City of Marion and Boone Lake
- Camp Grafton expansion carryover funds

8:34 a.m. Brigadier General Mitch Johnson, ND Adjutant General, testified in favor.

8:35 a.m. Darin Hanson, Director of Homeland Security Division, ND Office of the Adjutant General, testified in favor

8:40 a.m. Becky Ulberg, OMB Analyst, provided budget information.

8:47 a.m. Brigadier General Jackie Huber, Deputy Adjutant General, ND National Guard, testified in favor, submitted testimony #44132, and referenced testimony #39582, submitted on 3/10/2025 at 9:29.

8:52 a.m. Lt. Colonel Chance Schaffner, Director of Recruitment and Retention, testified in favor and responded to committee questions.

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9:02 a.m. Grant Gader, LC Fiscal Analyst, supplied budget information.

9:03 a.m. Kaitlyn Allen, Director of Curriculum, ND Center for Distance Education, testified in favor and submitted testimony #44138.

9:09 a.m. Wade Sick, Director, ND Career Technical Education, testified in favor.

9:21 a.m. Steve Snow, System Integration Specialist, ND Department of Public Instruction, testified in favor, and submitted testimony #44144.

9:37 a.m. Darin Hanson testified neutrally about a Disaster Relief Fund Grants cost.

Additional written testimony:

Lyle P. Krueger, Assistant Director, ND Central Regional Area Career and Technical Center, submitted testimony #44145 in favor.

9:50 a.m. Chairman Wanzek closed the hearing.

Carol Thompson, Committee Clerk

H81016 3-26 Jackie Huber

Qualified and Propensity for Military Service

	High School Juniors Ref. #1	High School Seniors Ref. #1	First Time Undergraduates: In- State* Ref. 2 ** Note 1	Total Ages 17-24 Ref. 3 & 6	Difference
Totals	8210	8002	24,904	91,558	
23% QUALIFIED to Serve in the Military (without waiver) Ref. #5	1888	1840	5728	21,058	-70,500
Propensity to Serve (Ref. #5)	16%	9%	8%	7.57%	
Total Eligible and Propensed (=# Qualified x % propensity)	302	166	458	1594	-19464

ASVAB for ND	Junior	Senior
Total	8,768	7,963
Took ASVAB in FY24	5,701	724
% of Total	65%	9%



North Dakota Military Service

STATE	FISCAL YEAR	ARNG	ARMY	USAR	USAF	AFNG	USMC	USMC RES	NAVY	NAVY RES	COAST GUARD	DOD	DoD ARNG MKT SHARE %	Reserve Component DoD ARNG MI SHARE %	
ND	FY25 RAW	124	43	8	25	0	34	2	15	1	4				
ND	FY25 Mkt Share %	48.4%	16.8%	3.1%	9.8%	0.0%	13.3%	0.8%	5.9%	0.4%	1.56%	256	48.4%	91.85%	
ND	FY24 RAW	285	72	10	62	7	45	0	22	2	2		56.2%	95.96%	
ND	FY24 Mkt Share %	56.2%	14.2%	2.0%	12.2%	1.4%	8.9%	0.0%	4.3%	0.4%	0.39%	507			
ND	FY23 RAW	233	59	19	41	0	34	4	17	5	0	412		89.27%	
ND	FY23 Mkt Share %	56.6%	14.3%	4.6%	10.0%	0.0%	8.3%	1.0%	4.1%	1.2%	0.00%		56.6%		
ND	FY22 RAW	194	55	15	25	7	45	3	13	1	1	359			
ND	FY22 Mkt Share %	54.0%	15.3%	4.2%	7.0%	1.9%	12.5%	0.8%	3.6%	0.3%	0.28%		54.0%	91.08%	
ND	FY21 RAW	303	86	15	72	3	83	12	47	1	1				
ND	FY21 Mkt Share %	48.6%	13.8%	2.4%	11.6%	0.5%	13.3%	1.9%	7.5%	0.2%	0.16%	623	48.6%	91.54%	
ND	FY20 RAW	324	92	24	90	1	121	12	74	2	2				
ND	FY20 Mkt Share %	43.7%	12.4%	3.2%	12.1%	0.1%	16.3%	1.6%	10.0%	0.3%	0.27%	742	43.7%	89.50%	
ND	FY19 RAW	343	79	20	90	3	148	15	46	0	2				
ND	FY19 Mkt Share %	46.0%	10.6%	2.7%	12.1%	0.4%	19.8%	2.0%	6.2%	0.0%	0.27%	746	46.0%	90.74%	
TRE	NDline Raw	280	74	17	63	4	79	8	37	2	1	565	51%	91%	



House Bill 1016

Testimony Supporting House Bill 1016

Submitted by Kaitlyn Allen, Director of Curriculum North Dakota Center for Distance Education

Chairman Wanzek and Members of the Committee,

Thank you for the opportunity to speak with you today. My name is Kaitlyn Allen, and I serve as Director of Curriculum for the North Dakota Center for Distance Education (NDCDE). I'm here to express strong support for funding a full-time Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator within the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG).

At NDCDE, we believe students should graduate not only with a diploma, but with a clear sense of direction and purpose. That's why we developed the **Military Preparation Program** in partnership with NDNG—to offer high school students a structured, high-quality virtual sequence that introduces them to military careers, builds leadership skills, and prepares them for service.

The program includes five courses:

- Introduction to Military Careers Students explore military branches, rank structures, and service expectations while considering how military careers align with their personal interests and goals.
- ASVAB Essentials: Skills for Military Success This course strengthens the academic and test-taking skills students need to succeed on the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery (ASVAB), which directly impacts their future military placement opportunities.
- Military Health & Fitness Students learn about physical readiness, mental resilience, nutrition, and the fitness requirements expected of service members.
- Career Foundations in Military Leadership This course builds essential skills like decision-making, ethics, communication, and teamwork—all within a military context.
- **Military Leadership Capstone** A hands-on experience that incorporates job shadowing with NDNG personnel, leadership training, and career exploration, tying together everything students have learned.

We currently have 36 students enrolled in the first course, and we've submitted a budget request to waive tuition for up to 100 students—removing a key barrier to access. The pathway is now included in the **Choice Ready Framework** under Military Readiness, and if House Bill 1404 is passed, students who complete it will also meet new **state scholarship requirements**, further incentivizing participation.

This is a program that blends academic rigor, career readiness, and real-world relevance. But curriculum alone isn't enough. For students to get the full benefit of these courses, they need structured support and access to real military experiences. That's where the **Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator** plays a vital role.

This position would:

- Coordinate military-related activities that students are required to complete—like job shadowing, physical training assessments, and leadership experiences.
- Collaborate with NDCDE to keep course content aligned with current military standards and credentialing requirements.
- Support future military instructors in meeting anticipated ESPB licensure requirements.
- Train NDNG recruiters to serve as learning coaches—adult mentors who guide students through their courses, monitor progress, and build meaningful relationships.

Our learning model depends on these learning coaches to keep students engaged, supported, and accountable. Having recruiters serve in this role gives students a direct connection to military professionals and reinforces leadership, structure, and discipline—core values of military life.

Funding this position will:

- Provide the hands-on support needed to connect virtual coursework with in-person, real-world learning.
- Ensure students statewide can participate in high-quality military preparation, regardless of geography.
- Create a sustainable bridge between education and enlistment.
- Strengthen NDNG's recruitment pipeline by engaging students early and meaningfully.

The Military Preparation Program is already gaining traction. Students are enrolling. Schools are asking for it. And with your support, it can become a cornerstone of career readiness across North Dakota. Thank you for your time and consideration.

Sincerely,

Kaitlyn Allen

NDCDE Director of Curriculum and LMS

TESTIMONY ON HB 1016

Senate Appropriations, Government Operations Division

March 26, 2025

By: Steve Snow, Integration System Specialist

701-328-2236

North Dakota Department of Public Instruction

Mr. Chairman and Members of the Committee:

My name is Steve Snow, and I am the System Integration Specialist for the

Department of Public Instruction (DPI). I am here to speak in favor of HB 1016.

We support adding full-time coordinators within the North Dakota National

Guard to administer the Next Gen Leadership Program. The positions would

oversee the leadership development program designed to provide a structured

pathway for our North Dakota learners to become military ready, a key component

of our Choice Ready initiative. It would dovetail nicely in the Military Pathway

Program developed by the Center for Distance Education. We stand ready and are

willing to provide necessary credentialling and partner with our fellow state

agencies.

Chairman Wanzek and Members of the Committee, that concludes my

prepared testimony, and I will stand for any questions that you may have.

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Members of the North Dakota Senate Appropriations – Government Operations Division

RE: Support for HB 1016 – Relating to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general to support funding for a full-time Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator

Chairman Wanzek and Members of the Committee:

I respectfully urge your support for funding a full-time coordinator within the North Dakota National Guard (NDNG) to administer the Next Gen Leader Program, a leadership development initiative that creates structured pathways into military service for high school students across the state.

A critical component of this initiative is the Military Pathway Program, developed by the North Dakota Center for Distance Education and aligned with Career and Technical Education (CTE) Military Pathway Standards. Central Regional Area Career and Technical Education Center (CRACTC), the state's largest CTE Center in which I help lead, is working closely with NDNG to assist in delivering this program using a proven hybrid model—blending virtual instruction with hands-on regional training—that CRACTC developed and refined over the past decade of supporting schools in several different CTE Career Pathways such as Health Sciences (Medical), Aviation, Welding, and STEM.

To incentivize participation, North Dakota has integrated the Military Pathway into the Choice Ready Framework and proposed HB 1404, if passed, which will make this program count toward scholarship eligibility. This demonstrates a strong commitment to preparing students for military careers and supporting NDNG recruitment efforts.

The Military Pathway curriculum developed by the North Dakota Center for Distance Education includes:

Intro to Military Careers: Overview of service branches and roles; 2) ASVAB Essentials: Preparation for the Armed Services Vocational Aptitude Battery; 3) Military Health & Fitness: Focus on physical and mental readiness; 4) Career Foundations in Military Leadership: Teamwork and ethical leadership; 5) Leadership Capstone: Job shadowing and real-world leadership experiences with NDNG.

The Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator is vital to the success of this initiative. This position will ensure students access meaningful military experiences that align with their coursework—such as job shadowing, leadership training, and physical assessments—and will coordinate with both NDNG and CTE centers such as CRACTC to deliver these opportunities effectively.

This is a smart investment. Through these collaborative efforts, funding this coordinator will enhance NDNG recruitment, expand military career readiness opportunities for students, and drive program growth statewide.

I respectfully request your support in funding the Next Gen Leader Program Coordinator to ensure this impactful initiative continues to serve North Dakota's students and strengthens our National Guard.

Thank you for your time, service to our great State of North Dakota, and consideration in this matter.

Sincerely,

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2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Red River Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 4/2/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

11:06 a.m. Chairman Wanzek opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Wanzek, Vice-Chair Dwyer, Senator Burckhard, Senator Erbele, and Senator Sickler.

Discussion Topics:

- Bloom Lake flood mitigation
- Next Generation Leadership: program and personnel
- Recruitment strategies
- Center for Distance Education/National Guard cooperative efforts in course development

11:08 a.m. Grant Gader, LC Fiscal Analyst, supplied budget information and submitted testimony #44571, the "long sheet" and #44570, the Proposed Amendments, 25.0160.02001.

11:13 a.m. Brigadier General Mitch Johnson, Adjutant General, testified in favor and responded to committee questions.

11:18 a.m. Wade Sick, Director, ND Career and Technical Education, testified in favor.

11:27 a.m. Senator Burckhard moved a Do Pass for Amendments 25.0160.02001 for HB 1016 with an adjustment for the reclassification of one employee.

11:28 a.m. Senator Erbele seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Terry M. Wanzek	Υ
Senator Randy A. Burckhard	Υ
Senator Michael Dwyer	Υ
Senator Robert Erbele	Υ
Senator Jonathan Sickler	Υ

Motion passed 5-0-0.

The committee will take final action on this bill when they have copies of the revised amendments in hand.

11:30 a.m. Chairman Wanzek closed the hearing.

Carol Thompson, Committee Clerk

25.0160.02001 Title. Fiscal No. 1

Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for Senate Appropriations -Government Operations Division Committee

March 28, 2025

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the
- 2 adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to
- 3 declare an emergency.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
- 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
- 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
- 8 federal funds, to the office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
- 9 the office of the adjutant general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
- 10 2027, as follows:
- 11 Subdivision 1.
- 12 NATIONAL GUARD

13			Adjustments or	
14		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
15	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
16	New and vacant FTE pool	0	1,943,664	1,943,664
17	Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
18	Capital assets	224,046	47,749,954	47,974,000
19	Grants	470,692	0	470,692

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1	Civil air patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896						
2	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235						
3	Air guard contract	8,928,725	606,91 <mark>6</mark>	9,535,641						
4	Air guard contract	8,928,725	111,734	9,040,459						
5	Army guard contract	49,586,921	19,080,973	68,667,894						
6	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616						
7	Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	<u>0</u>						
8	Total all funds	\$76;164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739						
9	Less other funds	58,308,741	<u>59,963,868</u>	118,272,609						
10	Total all funds	<u>\$76,164,995</u>	\$62 <u>,554</u> , <u>562</u>	\$138,719,557						
11	Less other funds	58.308.741	59,468,686	117,777,427						
12	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130						
13	Subdivision 2.									
14	DEPARTMENT OF EMERGENCY SERVICES									
15			Adjustments or							
16		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>						
17	Salaries and wages	\$13,562 , 188	\$1,793,521	\$1 5 ,355,709						
18	New and vacant FTE pool	0	725,676	725,67 6						
19	Operating expenses	6,815,567	745,316	7,560,883						
20	Salaries and wages	\$13 <u>,562,188</u>	<u>\$1,800,194</u>	\$ <u>15,362,382</u>						
21	New and vacant FTE pool	0	910,777	910,777						
22	Operating expenses	6,815,567	769,316	7,584,883						
23	Capital assets	0	660,000	660,000						
24	Grants	27, 7 90,000	0	27,790,000						
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	Disaster costs	74,249,944	78,561,155	152,811,099						
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	Disaster costs	74,249,944	78 <u>.</u> 761 <u>.</u> 155	153,011,099						
27	Disaster costs Radio communications	74,249,944 <u>0</u>	78.761.155 1.020.000	153.011.099 1.020.000						
27 28	Disaster costs Radio communications Total all funds	74,249,944 <u>0</u> \$122,417,699	78.761.155 1.020.000 \$83,505,668	153.011.099 1.020.000 \$205,923,367						
27 28 29	Disaster costs Radio communications Total all funds Less other funds	74,249,944 <u>0</u> \$122,417,699 <u>114,662,611</u>	78.761.155 1.020.000 \$83,505,668 81.550,506	153,011,099 1,020,000 \$205,923,367 196,213,117						

1	Less other funds	114,662,611	81.789,583	<u>196,452,194</u>					
2	Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$2,131,859	\$9.886,947					
3	Subdivision 3.	8							
4		SECTION 1 TOTAL							
5			Adjustments or						
6	v.	Base Level	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>					
7	Grand-total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$146,555,412	\$345,138,106					
8	Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	141,514,374	<u>314,485,726</u>					
9	Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342	\$5,041,038	\$30,652,380					
10	Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	3.00	236.00					
11	Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	<u>\$146,476,004</u>	<u>\$345,058,698</u>					
12	Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	141 <u>,258,269</u>	314,229,621					
13	Grand total general fund	<u>\$25,611,342</u>	\$5,217,735	\$30,829,077					
14	Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	1.00	234.00					
15	SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUND	ING - EFFECT ON BAS	SE BUDGET - REPO	ORT TO					
16	SEVENTIETH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding								
17	items included in the appropriation	in section 1 of this Act w	which are not include	d in the entity's					
18	base budget for the 2027-29 bienning	um and which each enti	ty shall report to the	appropriations					
19	committees of the seventieth legisla	ative assembly regarding	g the use of this fund	ding:					
20	One-Time Funding Description			Other Funds					
21	National guard								
22	Camp Grafton regional training in	stitute		\$34,000,000					
23	Critical infrastructure state matchi	ing funds		4,500,000					
24	Williston readiness center design			2,500,000					
25	Civil air patrol statewide interoper	able radio network upgr	rade	206,426					
26	Line of communication bridge train	ning site		3,674,000					
27	Dickinson readiness center			5,800,000					
28	Camp Grafton fitness facility 2,000,00								
29	Total national guard			\$52,680,426					
30	Department of emergency services								
31	Safeguarding Tomorrow through (Ongoing Risk Mitigation	Act	\$39,050,000					

1	Wildland fires	2,550,000
2	Disaster response equipment	660,000
3	Law enforcement redundant switch	525,000
4	Statewide interoperable radio network costs	495,000
5	_Flood mitigation grants	200,000
6	Total department of emergency services	\$43,280,000
7	Grand total	\$95,960,426
8	Total department of emergency services	\$43,480,000
9	Grand total	<u>\$96,160,4</u> 26
10	SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRA	NSFER REQUEST. The

SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST. The adjutant general may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line items in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line items to the applicable salaries and wages, civil air patrol, air guard contract, army guard contract, veterans' cemetery, and disaster costs line items within each subdivision in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds that are received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS - TRANSFERS.

Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.

The other funds line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$7,206,426 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4,500,000 is for critical

- 1 infrastructure state matching funds, \$2,500,000 is for the Williston readiness center design, and
- 2 \$206,426 is for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade. The other
- 3 funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,020,000 from the
- 4 strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$525,000 is for the state radio law
- 5 enforcement redundant switch and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.
 - SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND. The other funds line
- 7 item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$11,800,703 from the state
- 8 disaster relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs related to previous state disasters,
- 9 \$2,000,000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the ten
- 10 percent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation
- 11 program, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for flood mitigation
- 12 grants.

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- SECTION 8. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY
- 14 MUSEUM. The adjutant general may accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from
- 15 private and federal sources, and remit the funding to the state treasurer for deposit in the state
- 16 historical society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum
- during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
- 18 SECTION 9. EXEMPTION UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS. The following
- 19 appropriations are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued into
- 20 the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027:
- 21 1. Any amounts remaining for the construction of the Dickinson readiness center
- 22 continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from
- federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- 24 2. Any amounts remaining for the line of communication bridge training site continued in
- section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in
- subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- 27 3. The sum of \$9,000,000 appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for the
- construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility in subdivision 1 of section 1 of
- 29 chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws;
- 30 4. The sum of \$3,362,235 appropriated from the general fund for tuition assistance,
- 31 recruiting, and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North

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- Dakota national guard in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session
 Laws, which may be used for program administration and operating costs;
 - Any amounts remaining for the expansion of Camp Grafton continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the national guard training area and facility development trust fund in section 3 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
 - Any amounts remaining for replacing the state active duty software and maintenance continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund in subsection 24 of section 1 of chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws;
 - 7. The sum of \$314,000 appropriated from the general fund for cybersecurity grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws; and
 - 8. The sum of \$225,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund for flood mitigation grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws.

SECTION 10. CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that the adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of up to one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The adjutant general may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.

- **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The following are declared to be an emergency measure:
- The sum of \$6,000,000 appropriated from the general fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund for critical infrastructure state matching funds in the army guard contract line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act;
 - 2. The sum of \$206,426 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade in the civil air patrol line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act; and
- The sum of \$39,050,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund and federal
 funds for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act in the
 disaster costs line item of subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1016 - Summary of Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Adjutant General				
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$139,214,739	(\$495,182)	\$138,719,557
Less estimated income	58.308.741	118,272,609	(495,182)	117,777,427
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$20,942,130	\$0	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(3.00)	156.08
Department of Emergency				
Services	6400 447 000	6005 000 007	C445 774	£200 220 444
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$205,923,367	\$415,774	\$206,339,141
Less estimated income	114,662,611	196,213,117	239,077	196,452,194
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$9,710,250	\$176,697	\$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92
Bill total				
Total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$345,138,106	(\$79,408)	\$345,058,698
Less estimated income	172,971,352	314,485,726	(256,105)	314,229,621
General fund	\$25,611,342	\$30,652,380	\$176,697	\$30,829,077
FTE	233.00	236.00	(2.00)	234.00

House Bill No. 1016 - Adjutant General - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	\$3,655,887		\$3,655,887
New and vacant FTE pool		1,943,664		1,943,664
Operating expenses	3,214,211	1,595,214		1,595,214
Capital assets	224,046	47,974,000		47,974,000
Grants	470,692	470,692		470,692
Civil Air Patrol	330,642	545,896		545,896
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	3,362,235		3,362,235
Air Guard contract	8,928,725	9,535,641	(\$495,182)	9,040,459
Army Guard contract	49,586,921	68,667,894		68,667,894
Veterans' Cemetery	1,401,147	1,463,616		1,463,616
Reintegration program	900,634			
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$139,214,739	(\$495,182)	\$138,719,557
Less estimated income	58,308,741	118,272,609	(495,182)	117,777,427
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$20,942,130	\$0	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(3.00)	156.08

Department 540 - Adjutant General - Detail of Senate Changes

	Reduces Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ¹	Removes Vacant FTE Positions ²	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages			
New and vacant FTE pool			
Operating expenses			
Capital assets Grants			
Civil Air Patrol			
Tuition, recruiting, and retention			
Air Guard contract	(\$33,357)	(\$461,825)	(\$495,182)
Army Guard contract	,		
Veterans' Cemetery			
Reintegration program			
Total all funds	(\$33,357)	(\$461,825)	(\$495,182)
Less estimated income	(33,357)	(461,825)	(495,182)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	(3.00)	(3.00)

¹ Funding for salary increases and health insurance increases are reduced as follows related to the removal of 3 FTE security positions:

	<u>Federal</u> Funds
Salary increase	(\$15,342)
Health insurance increase	(18,015)
Total	(\$33,357)

² The following vacant FTE positions and related salaries and wages are removed:

	FIE	Federal
	<u>Positions</u>	<u>Funds</u>
National Guard security	1.00	\$151,291
National Guard security	1.00	158,588
National Guard security	<u>1.00</u>	151,946
Total	3.00	\$461,825

House Bill No. 1016 - Department of Emergency Services - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$15,355,709	\$6,673	\$15,362,382
New and vacant FTE pool	4 32 B	725,676	185,101	910,777
Operating expenses	6,815,567	7,560,883	24,000	7,584,883
Capital assets	(9)	660,000		660,000
Grants	27,790,000	27,790,000		27,790,000
Disaster costs	74,249,944	152,811,099	200,000	153,011,099
Radio communications	-	1,020,000		1,020,000
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$205,923,367	\$415,774	\$206,339,141
Less estimated income	114,662,611	196,213,117	239,077	196,452,194
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$9,710,250	\$176,697	\$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92

Department 542 - Department of Emergency Services - Detail of Senate Changes

Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses Capital assets	Adjusts Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ¹ (\$205,668) 185,101	Adds Funding for FTE Watch Center Positions ² \$212,341 24,000	Adds One- Time Funding for Flood Mitigation Grants ¹	Total Senate Changes \$6,673 185,101 24,000
Grants Disaster costs Radio communications			\$200,000	200,000
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	(\$20,567) (2,057) (\$18,510)	\$236,341 41,134 \$195,207	\$200,000 200,000 \$0	\$415,774 239,077 \$176,697
FTE	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

¹ Funding of \$205,668 for the new FTE watch center position is removed and \$185,101 is added for this position in the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item.

² Funding is added for a new FTE position and a converted FTE position as follows:

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Hazardous Chemical Fees	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for an FTE watch center position, including \$12,000 for operating expenses	1.00	\$197,101	\$20,567	\$217,668
Converts a vacant FTE emergency program specialist position to an FTE watch center position, to provide total funding of \$197,101 from the general fund and \$20,567 from hazardous chemical fees, including				
\$12,000 for operating expenses	0.00	(1.894)	20,567	18,673
Total	1.00	\$195,207	\$41,134	\$236,341

³ One-time funding of \$200,000 from the state disaster relief fund is added for flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.

House Bill No. 1016 - Other Changes - Senate Action

This amendment also adds a section to identify \$11,800,703 from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs relating to previous state disasters, \$2,000,000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the ten percent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation program, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for a flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.

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Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

		House	e Version			Senat	e Version		Senate Compared to House Version			
											Decrease)	
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General ' Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes											i i	
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)				\$
Salary increase		568,401	1,194,387	1,762,788		568,401	1,179,045	1,747,446			(\$15,342)	(15,34
Health insurance increase		407,659	943,531	1,351,190		407,659	925,516	1,333,175			(18,015)	(18,01
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386				
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844				
Removes funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool		(9,042)	(45,076)	(54,118)		(27,552)	(47,133)	(74,685)		(\$18,510)	(2.057)	(20,56
Removes funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)		(4.1-1-1-7)	1 1 1 1 1	<u> </u>
Adjusts base level funding for temporary salaries and		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)				
overtime		(1,020,070)	011,001			(1,020,010)	011,001					
Moves reintegration program to salaries and operating				0				0				
Adds funding for 2 next generation leader program FTE positions				0				0				
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision position at the Dickinson Readiness Center	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832				
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery administration position	1.00		179,512	179,512	1.00		179,512	179,512				
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery	1.00		180,832	180,832	1.00		180,832	180,832				
maintenance position				0	1.00	105 207	44 424	236,341	1.00	195,207	41,134	236,34
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions		100.010	100.010		1.00	195,207	41,134		1.00	195,207	41,134	230,34
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at the Dickinson Readiness Center		186,618	186,616	373,234		186,618	186,616	373,234				
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position at Camp Grafton		84,384	84,384	168,768		84,384	84,384	168,768			i i	
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator position			257,694	257,694			257,694	257,694				
Removes vacant FTE positions			diameter and the second	0	(3.00)		(461,825)	(461,825)	(3.00)		(461,825)	(461,82
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253				
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316				
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and property taxes		(124,046)	1,1,25,113	(124,046)		(124,046)	.,	(124,046)				
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232				
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87,336		87,336		87,336		87,336			(3)	
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Adjusts base level funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796			2,781,796	2,781,796				
Adjusts base level funding for land and buildings Adjusts base level funding for disaster grants		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784				
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state		1,500,000	20,192,100	1,500,000		1,500,000	20, 132, 103	1,500,000				
matching fund		W N.										
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance		790,853		790,853		790,853		790,853				(
Total ongoing funding changes	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$45,553,948	\$50,594,986	1.00	\$5,217,735	\$45,097,843	\$50,315,578	(2.00)	\$176,697	(\$456,105)	(\$279,408

One-Time Funding Items		1	1		1	1	1	EU LUIDAY	1	1	1	
Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			3	\$0
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center design			2,500,000	2,500,000			2,500,000	2,500,000				0
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund			4,500,000	4,500,000			4,500,000	4,500,000			3	0
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade			206,426	206,426			206,426	206,426				0
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000			660,000	660,000				0
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000			39,050,000	39,050,000				0
Adds funding for wildland fires			2,550,000	2,550,000			2,550,000	2,550,000			5	0
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch			525,000	525,000			525,000	525,000				0
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000			495,000	495,000			100	0
Adds funding for the line of communication bridge training site			3,674,000	3,674,000			3,674,000	3,674,000			9	0
Adds funding for the Dickinson readiness center			5,800,000	5,800,000			5,800,000	5,800,000				0
Adds funding for the Camp Grafton fitness facility			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000			-67	0
Adds one-time funding for flood mitigation grants				0			200,000	200,000			\$200,000	200,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$95,960,426	\$95,960,426	0.00	\$0	\$96,160,426	\$96,160,426	0.00	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
otal Changes to Base Level Funding	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$141,514,374	\$146,555,412	1.00	\$5,217,735	\$141,258,269	\$146,476,004	(2.00)	\$176,697	(\$256,105)	(\$79,408
025-27 Total Funding	236.00	\$30,652,380	\$314,485,726	\$345,138,106	234.00	\$30,829,077	\$314,229,621	\$345,058,698	(2.00)	\$176,697	(\$256,105)	(\$79,408
Federal funds included in other funds			\$286,894,317				\$286,399,135			•	(\$495,182)	
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	1.3%	19.7%	26.3%	25.5%	0.4%	20.4%	26.1%	25.3%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	1.3%	19.7%	81.8%	73.8%	0.4%	20.4%	81.7%	73.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
New and vacant FTE pool line item	Section 3 provides for the use of funding in the new and vacant	Section 3 provides for the use of funding in the new and vacant	
	FTE pool line item.	FTE pool line item.	
Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund	Section 4 appropriates any funds which are received and deposited	Section 4 appropriates any funds which are received and deposited	
	into the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund, pursuant to	into the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund, pursuant to	
	Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operations of the	Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operations of the	
		Veterans' Cemetery for the 2025-27 biennium.	
ine item transfers	Section 5 provides authority for the Adjutant General to transfer up	Section 5 provides authority for the Adjutant General to transfer up	
	to \$500,000 from any line item to the operating expenses and	to \$500,000 from any line item to the operating expenses and	
	capital assets line items.	capital assets line items.	
Other funds - Strategic investment and improvements	Section 6 identifies \$8,226,426 in the other funds line item in	Section 6 identifies \$8,226,426 in the other funds line item in	
und	Section 1 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund,	Section 1 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund,	
	of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching, \$2.5	of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching, \$2.5	
	million is for the Williston Readiness Center design, \$525,000 is for	million is for the Williston Readiness Center design, \$525,000 is for	
		a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch, \$495,000 is for	
	SIRN costs, \$206,426 is for the Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade.	SIRN costs, \$206,426 is for the Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade.	

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
Other funds - Disaster relief fund		Section 7 identifies \$11.8 million in the other funds line item in Section 1 is from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5.75 million is for costs related to previous state disasters, \$2 million is for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters, \$3.55 million is for the STORM Act program, \$200,000 is for flood mitigation grants, and \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding.	
North Dakota military gallery	Section 7 authorizes the Adjutant General to accept private and federal funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery.		
Exemption - Dickinson Readiness Center		Subsection 1 of section 9 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Line of communication bridge training site	Subsection 2 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line	
Exemption - Camp Grafton fitness facility	Subsection 3 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to \$9 million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp	
Exemption - Tuition, recruiting, and retention	Subsection 4 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium, which may be used for administration and operating costs.	unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting,	
Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion	Subsection 5 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended National Guard training area and facility development trust fund appropriation authority relating to the expansion of Camp Grafton for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.		
Exemption - State active-duty software and maintenance			
Exemption - Cybersecurity grants	2025-27 biennium.	\$314,000 in unexpended general fund appropriation authority relating to cybersecurity grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Flood mitigation grants	2025-27 biennium.	\$225,000 in unexpended disaster relief fund appropriation authority relating to flood mitigation grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	*
Legislative intent - Camp Grafton	Section 9 provides legislative intent that the Adjutant General contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion and that the Adjutant General not use eminent domain for the expansion.	contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp	

	Section 11 provides that subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 1, relating	
ivil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an		
	ivil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an	ivil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an fund, and Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations - Government Operations Division

Red River Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 4/4/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

10:38 a.m. Chairman Wanzek opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Wanzek, Vice-Chair Dwyer, Senator Burckhard, Senator Erbele, and Senator Sickler.

Discussion Topics:

- Full-time employee (FTE) repurposed as Next Generation Leadership coordinator
- Removal of vacant FTE positions

10:40 a.m. Grant Gader, LC Fiscal Analyst, supplied budget information and submitted testimony #44685, the "long sheet," and #44690, the proposed amendments approved by the committee and drafted at Chairman Wanzek's direction.

10:42 a.m. Senator Burckhard moved a Do Pass as Amended, #25.0160.02002, for HB 1016. 10:42 a.m. Senator Dwyer seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Terry M. Wanzek	Υ
Senator Randy A. Burckhard	Υ
Senator Michael Dwyer	Υ
Senator Robert Erbele	Υ
Senator Jonathan Sickler	Υ

Motion passed 5-0-0.

Senator Burckhard will carry this bill.

10:44 a.m. Chairman Wanzek closed the hearing.

Carol Thompson, Committee Clerk

April 3, 2025



4-4-25, 18:39, Grant

Adjutant General - Budget No. 540 Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1016

House Version			Senate Version			Senate Compared to House Version Increase (Decrease)						
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	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	233.00	\$25,611,342	\$172,971,352	\$198,582,694	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes								(2000 500)				\$0
Base payroll changes		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)		(\$625,653)	(\$212,870)	(\$838,523)			(04E 242)	(15,342
Salary increase		568,401	1,194,387	1,762,788		568,401	1,179,045	1,747,446			(\$15,342)	
Health insurance increase		407,659	943,531	1,351,190		407,659	925,516	1,333,175			(18,015)	(18,015
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386		1,039,786	306,600	1,346,386				0
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844		830,469	1,517,375	2,347,844				(00 505
Removes funding for the 2025-27 new FTE pool		(9,042)	(45,076)	(54,118)		(27,552)	(47,133)	(74,685)		(\$18,510)	(2,057)	(20,567
Removes funding for the 2025-27 vacant FTE pool		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)		(308,944)	(626,319)	(935,263)				0
Adjusts base level funding for temporary salaries and overtime		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)		(1,029,675)	611,961	(417,714)				0
Moves reintegration program to salaries and operating				0				0				0
Adds next generation leader program FTE position				0	1.00			0	1.00			C
Adds funding for an FTE custodial supervision position at the Dickinson Readiness Center	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832	1.00	90,416	90,416	180,832				C
Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery	1.00		179,512	179,512	1.00		179,512	179,512				C
administration position Adds funding for an FTE Veterans' Cemetery	1.00		180,832	180,832	1.00		180,832	180,832				C
maintenance position					1.00	195,207	41,134	236,341	1.00	195,207	41.134	236,341
Adds funding for 2 FTE watch center positions			100.010	0	1.00		186,616	373,234	1.00	193,207	41,104	200,011
Adds funding for 2 partially funded FTE positions at the Dickinson Readiness Center		186,618	186,616	373,234		186,618	2					
Adds funding for a partially funded FTE maintenance position at Camp Grafton		84,384	84,384	168,768		84,384	84,384	168,768				
Adds funding for an FTE construction coordinator position			257,694	257,694			257,694	257,694				•
Removes vacant FTE positions				0	(3.00)		(461,825)	(461,825)	(3.00)		(461,825)	(461,825
Adjusts base level funding for operating expenses		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253		989,745	8,781,508	9,771,253	7		2	C
Adjusts base level funding for repairs		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316		86,900	1,129,416	1,216,316				C
Adjusts base funding for special assessments and property taxes		(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)		(124,046)				(
Adds funding for information technology operations and maintenance costs		509,232		509,232		509,232		509,232				C
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website		87,336		87,336		87,336		87,336				0
Adds funding for a North Dakota response website Adds emergency response funding		01,330	2,000,000	2.000.000		0.,000	2,000,000	2,000,000				
Adds emergency response funding Adjusts base level funding for land and buildings			2,781,796	2,781,796			2,781,796	2,781,796				
		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784		(33,401)	26,192,185	26,158,784		10.8	(a)	(
Adjusts base level funding for disaster grants Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund		1,500,000	20,192,100	1,500,000		1,500,000	20,102,100	1,500,000				(
Adds funding to increase infrastructure insurance		790,853		790,853		790,853		790,853			8	
Total ongoing funding changes	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$45,553,948	\$50,594,986	2.00	\$5,217,735	\$45,097,843	\$50,315,578	(1.00)	\$176,697	(\$456,105)	(\$279,408
One-Time Funding Items		5. 15	350									

Adds funding for an addition to the existing regional training institute at Camp Grafton			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000			\$34,000,000	\$34,000,000				\$0
Adds funding for the Williston Readiness Center design			2,500,000	2,500,000			2,500,000	2,500,000				0
Adds funding for a critical infrastructure state matching fund			4,500,000	4,500,000			4,500,000	4,500,000				0
Adds funding for Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade			206,426	206,426			206,426	206,426				0
Adds funding for disaster response equipment			660,000	660,000			660,000	660,000				0
Adds funding for the STORM Act program			39,050,000	39,050,000			39,050,000	39,050,000				0
Adds funding for wildland fires			2,550,000	2,550,000			2,550,000	2,550,000	i i			0
Adds funding for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch			525,000	525,000			525,000	525,000				0
Adds funding for SIRN costs			495,000	495,000			495,000	495,000				0
Adds funding for the line of communication bridge training site			3,674,000	3,674,000			3,674,000	3,674,000				0
Adds funding for the Dickinson readiness center			5,800,000	5,800,000			5,800,000	5,800,000				0
Adds funding for the Camp Grafton fitness facility			2,000,000	2,000,000			2,000,000	2,000,000				0
Adds one-time funding for flood mitigation grants				0			200,000	200,000			\$200,000	200,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$0	\$95,960,426	\$95,960,426	0.00	\$0	\$96,160,426	\$96,160,426	0.00	\$0	\$200,000	\$200,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	3.00	\$5,041,038	\$141,514,374	\$146,555,412	2.00	\$5,217,735	\$141,258,269	\$146,476,004	(1.00)	\$176,697	(\$256,105)	(\$79,408)
2025-27 Total Funding	236.00	\$30,652,380	\$314,485,726	\$345,138,106	235.00	\$30,829,077	\$314,229,621	\$345,058,698	(1.00)	\$176,697	(\$256,105)	(\$79,408)
Federal funds included in other funds			\$286,894,317			770,000,000	\$286,399,135	4010,000,000	(1.00)	ψ170,007 j	(\$495,182)	(\$73,400)
Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level	1.3%	19.7%	26.3%	25.5%	0.9%	20.4%	26.1%	25.3%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Total changes - Percentage of base level	1.3%	19.7%	81.8%	73.8%	0.9%	20.4%	81.7%	73.8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Other Sections in Adjutant General - Budget No. 540												

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
New and vacant FTE pool line item	Section 3 provides for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.	Section 3 provides for the use of funding in the new and vacant FTE pool line item.	
/eterans' Cemetery maintenance fund	into the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund, pursuant to Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operations of the	Section 4 appropriates any funds which are received and deposited into the Veterans' Cemetery maintenance fund, pursuant to Sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10.10 for the operations of the Veterans' Cemetery for the 2025-27 biennium.	
ine item transfers	to \$500,000 from any line item to the operating expenses and	Section 5 provides authority for the Adjutant General to transfer up to \$500,000 from any line item to the operating expenses and capital assets line items.	
Other funds - Strategic investment and improvements fund	Section 1 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching, \$2.5 million is for the Williston Readiness Center design, \$525,000 is for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch, \$495,000 is for	Section 6 identifies \$8,226,426 in the other funds line item in Section 1 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4.5 million is for critical infrastructure state matching, \$2.5 million is for the Williston Readiness Center design, \$525,000 is for a State Radio law enforcement redundant switch, \$495,000 is for SIRN costs, \$206,426 is for the Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade.	

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
Other funds - Disaster relief fund		Section 7 identifies \$11.8 million in the other funds line item in Section 1 is from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5.75 million is for costs related to previous state disasters, \$2 million is for preparing for, responding to, and recovering from natural disasters, \$3.55 million is for the STORM Act program, \$200,000 is for flood mitigation grants, and \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding.	
North Dakota military gallery	Section 7 authorizes the Adjutant General to accept private and federal funds for the construction of a North Dakota military gallery.		7
Exemption - Dickinson Readiness Center	Subsection 1 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Dickinson Readiness Center for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the	
Exemption - Line of communication bridge training site	Subsection 2 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	unexpended federal funds appropriation authority relating to the line of communication bridge training site for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Exemption - Camp Grafton fitness facility	Subsection 3 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to \$9 million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	million in unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to the construction of the Camp	
Exemption - Tuition, recruiting, and retention	Subsection 4 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium, which may be used for administration and operating costs.	unexpended appropriation authority relating to the tuition, recruiting, and retention line item for the 2023-25 biennium into the	
Exemption - Camp Grafton expansion	Subsection 5 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended National Guard training area and facility development trust fund appropriation authority relating to the expansion of Camp Grafton for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	unexpended National Guard training area and facility development	
Exemption - State active-duty software and maintenance	Subsection 6 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation authority relating to replacing state active-duty software and maintenance for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	unexpended federal State Fiscal Recovery Fund appropriation	
Exemption - Cybersecurity grants	Subsection 7 of section 8 authorizes the continuation of up to \$314,000 in unexpended general fund appropriation authority relating to cybersecurity grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.		
Exemption - Flood mitigation grants	2025-27 biennium.	\$225,000 in unexpended disaster relief fund appropriation authority relating to flood mitigation grants for the 2023-25 biennium into the 2025-27 biennium.	
Legislative intent - Camp Grafton	contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp	Section 10 provides legislative intent that the Adjutant General contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion and that the Adjutant General not use eminent domain for the expansion.	

Section Description	House Version	Senate Version	
Emergency measure	Section 10 provides that subdivisions 1 and 2 of Section 1, relating to the STORM Act funding, critical infrastructure state matching fund, and Civil Air Patrol SIRN upgrade, are declared to be an emergency measure.	to the STORM Act funding, critical infrastructure state matching	

25.0160.02002 Title.

Fiscal No. 2

Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for Senate Appropriations - Government Operations Division Committee

April 3, 2025

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the
- 2 adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to
- 3 declare an emergency.

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

- 5 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
- 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
- 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
- 8 federal funds, to the office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
- 9 the office of the adjutant general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
- 10 2027, as follows:
- 11 Subdivision 1.

12	NATIONAL GUARD

13			Adjustments or	
14		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
15	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
16	New and vacant FTE pool	0	1,943,664	1,943,664
17	Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
18	Capital assets	224,046	47,749,954	47,974,000
19	Grants	470,692	0	470,692

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1	Civil air patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896
2	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
3	Air guard contract	8,928,725	606,916	9,535,641
4	Air guard contract	8,928,725	111,734	9,040,459
5	Army guard contract	49,586,921	19,080,973	68,667,894
6	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616
7	Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	<u>0</u>
8	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
9	Less other funds	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
10	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$62,554,562	\$138,719,557
11	Less other funds	58,308,741	59,468,686	117,777,427
12	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
13	Subdivision 2.			
14	DEPART	MENT OF EMERGENO	CY SERVICES	
15			Adjustments or	
16		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
17	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$1,793,521	\$15,355,709
18	New and vacant FTE pool	0	725,676	725,676
19	Operating expenses	6,815,567	745,316	7,560,883
20	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$1,800,194	\$15,362,382
21	New and vacant FTE pool	0	910,777	910,777
22	Operating expenses	6,815,567	769,316	7,584,883
23	Capital assets	0	660,000	660,000
24	Grants	27,790,000	0	27,790,000
25	Disaster costs	74,249,944	78,561,155	152,811,099
26	Disaster costs	74,249,944	78,761,155	153,011,099
27	Radio communications	<u>0</u>	1,020,000	1,020,000
28	Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$83,505,668	\$ 205,923,367
29		114 660 644	81,550,506	196,213,117
	Less other funds	<u>114,662,611</u>	01,000,000	190,213,117
30	Less other funds Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$1,955,162	\$9,710,250
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Less other funds	114,662,611	81,789,583	196,452,194		
Total general fund	\$7,755,088	\$2,131,859	\$9,886,947		
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	SECTION 1 TOTAL				
		Adjustments or			
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation		
Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$146,555,412	\$345,138,106		
Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	141,514,374	314,485,726		
Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342	\$5,041,038	\$30,652,380		
Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	3.00	236.00		
Grand total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$146,476,004	\$345,058,698		
Less grand total other funds	172,971,352	141,258,269	314,229,621		
Grand total general fund	\$25,611,342	\$ <u>5,</u> 217,735	\$30,829,077		
Full-time equivalent positions	233.00	2.00	235.00		
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committees of the seventieth legisla	tive assembly regarding	g the use of this fund	ing:		
One-Time Funding Description			Other Funds		
National guard					
Camp Grafton regional training ins	stitute		\$34,000,000		
Critical infrastructure state matching	ng funds		4,500,000		
Williston readiness center design			2,500,000		
Civil air patrol statewide interopera	able radio network upgr	ade	206,426		
Line of communication bridge train	ning site		3,674,000		
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1	Wildland fires	2,550,000
2	Disaster response equipment	660,000
3	Law enforcement redundant switch	525,000
4	Statewide interoperable radio network costs	495,000
5	Flood mitigation grants	200,000
6	Total department of emergency services	\$43,280,000
7	Grand total	\$95,960,426
8	Total department of emergency services	\$43,480,000
9	Grand total	\$96,160,426
10	SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRAN	ISFER REQUEST. The
11	adjutant general may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacar	nt FTE pool line items

adjutant general may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line items in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line items to the applicable salaries and wages, civil air patrol, air guard contract, army guard contract, veterans' cemetery, and disaster costs line items within each subdivision in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds that are received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS - TRANSFERS.

Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.

The other funds line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$7,206,426 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4,500,000 is for critical

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- infrastructure state matching funds, \$2,500,000 is for the Williston readiness center design, and \$206,426 is for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade. The other funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,020,000 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$525,000 is for the state radio law enforcement redundant switch and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.
 - SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND. The other funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$11,800,703 from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs related to previous state disasters, \$2,000,000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the ten percent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation program, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for flood mitigation grants.
 - SECTION 8. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY

 MUSEUM. The adjutant general may accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from private and federal sources, and remit the funding to the state treasurer for deposit in the state historical society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
 - **SECTION 9. EXEMPTION UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS.** The following appropriations are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027:
 - Any amounts remaining for the construction of the Dickinson readiness center continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
 - Any amounts remaining for the line of communication bridge training site continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
 - The sum of \$9,000,000 appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws;
 - The sum of \$3,362,235 appropriated from the general fund for tuition assistance, recruiting, and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North

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- Dakota national guard in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session
 Laws, which may be used for program administration and operating costs;
 - Any amounts remaining for the expansion of Camp Grafton continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the national guard training area and facility development trust fund in section 3 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
 - Any amounts remaining for replacing the state active duty software and maintenance continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund in subsection 24 of section 1 of chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws;
 - 7. The sum of \$314,000 appropriated from the general fund for cybersecurity grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws; and
 - The sum of \$225,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund for flood mitigation grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws.

SECTION 10. CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that the adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of up to one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The adjutant general may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.

- SECTION 11. EMERGENCY. The following are declared to be an emergency measure:
- The sum of \$6,000,000 appropriated from the general fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund for critical infrastructure state matching funds in the army guard contract line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act;
- The sum of \$206,426 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements
 fund for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade in the civil air
 patrol line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act; and
- The sum of \$39,050,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund and federal funds for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act in the disaster costs line item of subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1016 - Summary of Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Adjutant General	3-32-03			
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$139,214,739	(\$495,182)	\$138,719,557
Less estimated income	58,308,741	118,272,609	(495,182)	117,777,427
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$20,942,130	\$0	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(2.00)	157.08
Department of Emergency				
Services				
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$205,923,367	\$415,774	\$206,339,141
Less estimated income	114,662,611	196,213,117	239,077	196,452,194
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$9,710,250	\$176,697	\$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92
Bill total				
Total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$345,138,106	(\$79,408)	\$345,058,698
Less estimated income	172,971,352	314,485,726	(256,105)	314,229,621
General fund	\$25,611,342	\$30,652,380	\$176,697	\$30,829,077
FTE	233.00	236.00	(1.00)	235.00

House Bill No. 1016 - Adjutant General - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	\$3,655,887		\$3,655,887
New and vacant FTE pool		1,943,664		1,943,664
Operating expenses	3,214,211	1,595,214	l 1	1,595,214
Capital assets	224,046	47,974,000	1	47,974,000
Grants	470,692	470,692		470,692
Civil Air Patrol	330,642	545,896		545,896
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	3,362,235		3,362,235
Air Guard contract	8,928,725	9,535,641	(\$495,182)	9,040,459
Army Guard contract	49,586,921	68,667,894		68,667,894
Veterans' Cemetery	1,401,147	1,463,616		1,463,616
Reintegration program	900,634	II. 20		
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$139,214,739	(\$495,182)	\$138,719,557
Less estimated income	58,308,741	118,272,609	(495,182)	117,777,427
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$20,942,130	\$0	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(2.00)	157.08

Department 540 - Adjutant General - Detail of Senate Changes

	Reduces Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ¹	Adds Unfunded FTE Next Generation Leader Program Position ²	Removes Vacant FTE Positions ³	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages				
New and vacant FTE pool				1 1
Operating expenses				1
Capital assets Grants				1 1
Civil Air Patrol				1 1
Tuition, recruiting, and retention				
Air Guard contract	(\$33,357)		(\$461,825)	(\$495,182)
Army Guard contract				
Veterans' Cemetery				1 1
Reintegration program	-			
Total all funds	(\$33,357)	\$0	(\$461,825)	(\$495,182)
Less estimated income	(33,357)	0	(461,825)	(495,182)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	1.00	(3.00)	(2.00)

¹ Funding for salary increases and health insurance increases are reduced as follows related to the removal of 3 FTE security positions:

	Federal
	Funds
Salary increase	(\$15,342)
Health insurance increase	(18,015)
Total	(\$33,357)

² Adds an unfunded FTE next generation leader program position. The House did not authorize this position.

³ The following vacant FTE positions and related salaries and wages are removed:

	FTE	Federal
	Positions	Funds
National Guard security	1.00	\$151,291
National Guard security	1.00	158,588
National Guard security	1.00	151,946
Total	3.00	\$461,825

House Bill No. 1016 - Department of Emergency Services - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$15,355,709	\$6,673	\$15,362,382
New and vacant FTE pool	Attores to the second	725,676	185,101	910,777
Operating expenses	6,815,567	7,560,883	24,000	7,584,883
Capital assets		660,000		660,000
Grants	27,790,000	27,790,000		27,790,000
Disaster costs	74,249,944	152,811,099	200,000	153,011,099
Radio communications		1,020,000		1,020,000
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$205,923,367	\$415,774	\$206,339,141
Less estimated income	114,662,611	196,213,117	239,077	196,452,194
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$9,710,250	\$176,697	\$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92

Department 542 - Department of Emergency Services - Detail of Senate Changes

	Adjusts Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ¹	Adds Funding for FTE Watch Center Positions ²	Adds One- Time Funding for Flood Mitigation Grants ³	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages	(\$205,668)	\$212,341		\$6,673
New and vacant FTE pool	185,101			185,101
Operating expenses Capital assets Grants		24,000		24,000
Disaster costs			\$200,000	200,000
Radio communications				200,000
Total all funds	(\$20,567)	\$236,341	\$200,000	\$415,774
Less estimated income	(2,057)	41,134	200,000	239,077
General fund	(\$18,510)	\$195,207	\$0	\$176,697
FTE	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

¹ Funding of \$205,668 for the new FTE watch center position is removed and \$185,101 is added for this position in the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item.

² Funding is added for a new FTE position and a converted FTE position as follows:

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Hazardous Chemical Fees	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for an FTE watch center position, including \$12,000 for operating expenses	1.00	\$197,101	\$20,567	\$217,668
Converts a vacant FTE emergency program specialist position to an FTE watch center position, to provide total funding of \$197,101 from the general fund and \$20,567 from hazardous chemical fees, including \$12,000 for operating expenses	0.00	(1,894)	20,567	18.673
Total	1.00	\$195,207	\$41,134	\$236,341

³ One-time funding of \$200,000 from the state disaster relief fund is added for flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.

House Bill No. 1016 - Other Changes - Senate Action

This amendment also adds a section to identify \$11,800,703 from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs relating to previous state disasters, \$2,000,000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the ten percent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation program, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for a flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.

2025 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee

Harvest Room, State Capitol

HB 1016 4/8/2025

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to declare an emergency.

9:20 a.m. Chairman Bekkedahl opened the hearing.

Members Present: Chairman Bekkedahl, Vice-Chairman Erbele, and Senators Burckhard, Cleary, Conley, Dever, Dwyer, Magrum, Mathern, Meyer, Schaible, Sickler, Sorvaag, Wanzek.

Members Absent: Senators Davison, Thomas.

Discussion Topics:

- Watch Center FTE
- Staffing Challenges

9:21 a.m. Senator Burckhard introduced the bill and submitted testimony #44786.

9:27 a.m. Senator Burckhard moved amendment LC 25.0160.02002.

9:27 a.m. Senator Conley seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Brad Bekkedahl	Υ
Senator Robert Erbele	Υ
Senator Randy A. Burckhard	Υ
Senator Sean Cleary	Υ
Senator Cole Conley	Υ
Senator Kyle Davison	Α
Senator Dick Dever	Υ
Senator Michael Dwyer	Υ
Senator Jeffery J. Magrum	Υ
Senator Tim Mathern	Υ
Senator Scott Meyer	Υ
Senator Donald Schaible	Υ
Senator Jonathan Sickler	Υ
Senator Ronald Sorvaag	Υ
Senator Paul J. Thomas	Α
Senator Terry M. Wanzek	Υ

Motion Passed 14-0-2.

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- 9:28 a.m. Jennifer Scheet, Division Chief for Fiscal and Admin Services in the office of the Adjutant General, testified as neutral.
- 9:30 a.m. Senator Burckhard moved a Do Pass as Amended.
- 9:30 a.m. Senator Conley seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Brad Bekkedahl	Υ
Senator Robert Erbele	Υ
Senator Randy A. Burckhard	Υ
Senator Sean Cleary	Υ
Senator Cole Conley	Υ
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Senator Dick Dever	Υ
Senator Michael Dwyer	Υ
Senator Jeffery J. Magrum	Υ
Senator Tim Mathern	Υ
Senator Scott Meyer	Υ
Senator Donald Schaible	Υ
Senator Jonathan Sickler	Υ
Senator Ronald Sorvaag	Υ
Senator Paul J. Thomas	Α
Senator Terry M. Wanzek	Υ

Motion Passed 14-0-2.

Senator Burckhard will carry the bill.

9:31 a.m. Chairman Bekkedahl adjourned the meeting.

Elizabeth Reiten, Committee Clerk

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April 3, 2025 (O

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

4/8/25

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the
- 2 adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to
- 3 declare an emergency.

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

- 5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
- 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
- 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
- 8 federal funds, to the office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
- 9 the office of the adjutant general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
- 10 2027, as follows:
- 11 Subdivision 1.

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13			Adjustments or	
14		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
15	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
16	New and vacant FTE pool	0	1,943,664	1,943,664
17	Operating expenses	3,214,211	(1,618,997)	1,595,214
18	Capital assets	224,046	47,749,954	47,974,000
19	Grants	470,692	0	470,692

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1	Civil air patrol	330,642	215,254	545,896
2	Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	0	3,362,235
3	Air guard contract	8,928,725	606,916	9,535,641
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5	Army guard contract	49,586,921	19,080,973	68,667,894
6	Veterans' cemetery	1,401,147	62,469	1,463,616
7	Reintegration program	900,634	(900,634)	<u>0</u>
8	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$63,049,744	\$139,214,739
9	Less other funds	58,308,741	59,963,868	118,272,609
10	Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$62,554,562	\$138,719,557
11	Less other funds	58,308,741	59,468,686	117,777,427
12	Total general fund	\$17,856,254	\$3,085,876	\$20,942,130
13	Subdivision 2.			
14	DEPARTI	MENT OF EMERGENC	Y SERVICES	
15			Adjustments or	
16		Base Level	Enhancements	<u>Appropriation</u>
17	Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$1,793,521	\$15,355,709
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19	committees of the seventieth legisla	tive assembly regardin	g the use of this fund	ing:
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23	Critical infrastructure state matchi	ng funds		4,500,000
24	Williston readiness center design			2,500,000
25	Civil air patrol statewide interopera	able radio network upgr	rade	206,426
26	Line of communication bridge train	ning site		3,674,000
27	Dickinson readiness center			5,800,000
28	Camp Grafton fitness facility			2,000,000
29	Total national guard			\$52,680,426
30	Department of emergency services			
31	Safeguarding Tomorrow through C	Ongoing Risk Mitigation	Act	\$39,050,000

1	Wildland fires	2,550,000
2	Disaster response equipment	660,000
3	Law enforcement redundant switch	525,000
4	Statewide interoperable radio network costs	495,000
5	Flood mitigation grants	200,000
6	Total department of emergency services	\$43,280,000
7	Grand total	\$95,960,426
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9	Grand total	\$96,160,426

SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANSFER REQUEST. The adjutant general may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant FTE pool line items in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and budget to transfer funds from the new and vacant FTE pool line items to the applicable salaries and wages, civil air patrol, air guard contract, army guard contract, veterans' cemetery, and disaster costs line items within each subdivision in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds that are received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS - TRANSFERS.

Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.

The other funds line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$7,206,426

from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4,500,000 is for critical

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- 1 infrastructure state matching funds, \$2,500,000 is for the Williston readiness center design, and
- 2 \$206,426 is for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade. The other
- 3 funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,020,000 from the
- 4 strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$525,000 is for the state radio law

5 enforcement redundant switch and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.

SECTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND. The other funds line item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$11,800,703 from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs related to previous state disasters, \$2,000,000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the ten percent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation program, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for flood mitigation grants.

SECTION 8. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS - NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY MUSEUM. The adjutant general may accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from private and federal sources, and remit the funding to the state treasurer for deposit in the state historical society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 9. EXEMPTION - UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS. The following appropriations are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027:

- Any amounts remaining for the construction of the Dickinson readiness center continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- Any amounts remaining for the line of communication bridge training site continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- The sum of \$9,000,000 appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for the construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws;
- 4. The sum of \$3,362,235 appropriated from the general fund for tuition assistance, recruiting, and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North

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- Dakota national guard in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session

 Laws, which may be used for program administration and operating costs;
 - Any amounts remaining for the expansion of Camp Grafton continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the national guard training area and facility development trust fund in section 3 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- 6. Any amounts remaining for replacing the state active duty software and maintenance continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund in subsection 24 of section 1 of chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws;
 - 7. The sum of \$314,000 appropriated from the general fund for cybersecurity grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws; and
 - 8. The sum of \$225,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund for flood mitigation grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws.

SECTION 10. CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that the adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of up to one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The adjutant general may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.

- **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The following are declared to be an emergency measure:
 - The sum of \$6,000,000 appropriated from the general fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund for critical infrastructure state matching funds in the army guard contract line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act;
- 2. The sum of \$206,426 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements fund for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade in the civil air patrol line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act; and
- The sum of \$39,050,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund and federal funds for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act in the disaster costs line item of subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act.



04/02/2025

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1016 - Summary of Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Adjutant General Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$76,164,995 58,308,741 \$17,856,254	\$139,214,739 118,272,609 \$20,942,130	(\$495,182) (495,182) \$0	\$138,719,557 117,777,427 \$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(2.00)	157.08
Department of Emergency Services Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$122,417,699 114,662,611 \$7,755,088	\$205,923,367 196,213,117 \$9,710,250	\$415,774 239,077 \$176,697	\$206,339,141 196,452,194 \$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92
Bill total Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$198,582,694 172,971,352 \$25,611,342	\$345,138,106 314,485,726 \$30,652,380	(\$79,408) (256,105) \$176,697	\$345,058,698 314,229,621 \$30,829,077
FTE	233.00	236.00	(1.00)	235.00

House Bill No. 1016 - Adjutant General - Senate Action

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Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	\$3,655,887		\$3,655,887
New and vacant FTE pool	Participation of the Control of the Control	1,943,664		1,943,664
Operating expenses	3,214,211	1,595,214	1	1,595,214
Capital assets	224,046	47,974,000		47,974,000
Grants	470,692	470,692		470,692
Civil Air Patrol	330,642	545,896	1	545,896
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	3,362,235		3,362,235
Air Guard contract	8,928,725	9,535,641	(\$495,182)	9,040,459
Army Guard contract	49,586,921	68,667,894		68,667,894
Veterans' Cemetery	1,401,147	1,463,616	1 1	1,463,616
Reintegration program	900,634			
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$139,214,739	(\$495,182)	\$138,719,557
Less estimated income	58,308,741	118,272,609	(495,182)	117,777,427
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$20,942,130	\$0	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(2.00)	157.08

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Department 540 - Adjutant General - Detail of Senate Changes

Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses Capital assets Grants Civil Air Potrol	Reduces Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ¹	Adds Unfunded FTE Next Generation Leader Program Position ²	Removes Vacant FTE Positions ³	Total Senate Changes
Civil Air Patrol Tuition, recruiting, and retention Air Guard contract Army Guard contract Veterans' Cemetery Reintegration program	(\$33,357)		(\$461,825)	(\$495,182)
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	(\$33,357) (33,357) \$0	\$0 0 \$0	(\$461,825) (461,825) \$0	(\$495,182) (495,182) \$0
FTE	0.00	1.00	(3.00)	(2.00)

¹ Funding for salary increases and health insurance increases are reduced as follows related to the removal of 3 FTE security positions:

Federal Funds Salary increase (\$15,342) Health insurance increase (18,015) Total (\$33,357)

³ The following vacant FTE positions and related salaries and wages are removed:

	FTE	Federal
	<u>Positions</u>	<u>Funds</u>
National Guard security	1.00	\$151,291
National Guard security	1.00	158,588
National Guard security	<u>1.00</u>	<u>151,946</u>
Total	3.00	\$461,825

House Bill No. 1016 - Department of Emergency Services - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$15,355,709	\$6,673	\$15,362,382
New and vacant FTE pool		725,676	185,101	910,777
Operating expenses	6,815,567	7,560,883	24,000	7,584,883
Capital assets		660,000		660,000
Grants	27,790,000	27,790,000	1	27,790,000
Disaster costs	74,249,944	152,811,099	200,000	153,011,099
Radio communications		1,020,000		1,020,000
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$205,923,367	\$415,774	\$206,339,141
Less estimated income	114,662,611	196,213,117	239,077	196,452,194
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$9,710,250	\$176,697	\$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92

² Adds an unfunded FTE next generation leader program position. The House did not authorize this position.

Department 542 - Department of Emergency Services - Detail of Senate Changes

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Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses Capital assets	Adjusts Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool ¹ (\$205,668) 185,101	Adds Funding for FTE Watch Center Positions ² \$212,341 24,000	Adds One- Time Funding for Flood Mitigation Grants ³	Total Senate Changes \$6,673 185,101 24,000
Grants Disaster costs Radio communications			\$200,000	200,000
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	(\$20,567) (2,057) (\$18,510)	\$236,341 41,134 \$195,207	\$200,000 200,000 \$0	\$415,774 239,077 \$176,697
FTE	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

¹ Funding of \$205,668 for the new FTE watch center position is removed and \$185,101 is added for this position in the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item.

² Funding is added for a new FTE position and a converted FTE position as follows:

	FTE <u>Positions</u>	General <u>Fund</u>	Hazardous Chemical Fees	<u>Total</u>
Adds funding for an FTE watch center position, including \$12,000 for operating expenses	1.00	\$197,101	\$20,567	\$217,668
Converts a vacant FTE emergency program specialist position to an FTE watch center position, to provide total funding of \$197,101 from the general fund and \$20,567 from hazardous chemical fees, including \$12,000 for operating expenses	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(1,894)</u>	<u>20,567</u>	<u>18.673</u>
Total	1.00	\$195,207	\$41,134	\$236,341

³ One-time funding of \$200,000 from the state disaster relief fund is added for flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.

House Bill No. 1016 - Other Changes - Senate Action

This amendment also adds a section to identify \$11,800,703 from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs relating to previous state disasters, \$2,000,000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the ten percent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation program, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for a flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE ENGROSSED HB 1016

Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS** (25.0160.02002) and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT OR EXCUSED AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed HB 1016 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

25.0160.02002 Title. Fiscal No. 2 Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for Senate Appropriations - Government Operations Division Committee

April 3, 2025

Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO FIRST ENGROSSMENT

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1016

introduced by

Appropriations Committee

Do Pass as Amended 14-0-2

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the
- 2 adjutant general; to provide a statement of legislative intent; to provide an exemption; and to
- 3 declare an emergency.

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

- 5 SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
- 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
- 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from other funds derived from special funds and
- 8 federal funds, to the office of the adjutant general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of
- 9 the office of the adjutant general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30,
- 10 2027, as follows:

11	Subdivision 1.

12		NATIONAL GUARD		
13			Adjustments or	
14		Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
15	Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	(\$4,089,855)	\$3,655,887
16	New and vacant FTE pool	0	1,943,664	1,943,664
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13	Subdivision 2.			
14	DEPARTI	MENT OF EMERGENC	Y SERVICES	
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29	Total national guard			\$52,680,426
30	Department of emergency services			
31	Safeguarding Tomorrow through C	Ongoing Risk Mitigation	Act	\$39,050,000

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1	Wildland fires	2,550,000
2	Disaster response equipment	660,000
3	Law enforcement redundant switch	525,000
4	Statewide interoperable radio network costs	495,000
5	Flood mitigation grants	200,000
6	Total department of emergency services	\$43,280.000
7	Grand total	\$95,960,426
8	Total department of emergency services	\$43,480,000
9	Grand total	\$96,160,426
10	SECTION 3. NEW AND VACANT FTE POOL - LIMITATION - TRANS	FER REQUEST. The
11	adjutant general may not spend funds appropriated in the new and vacant	FTE pool line items
12	in section 1 of this Act, but may request the office of management and bud	get to transfer funds
13	from the new and vacant FTE pool line items to the applicable salaries and	l wages, civil air

within each subdivision in accordance with the guidelines and reporting provisions included in House Bill No. 1015, as approved by the sixty-ninth legislative assembly.

patrol, air guard contract, army guard contract, veterans' cemetery, and disaster costs line items

SECTION 4. VETERANS' CEMETERY MAINTENANCE FUND - APPROPRIATION. In addition to the amount appropriated to the adjutant general in the veterans' cemetery line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated any additional funds that are received and deposited in the veterans' cemetery maintenance fund pursuant to sections 37-03-14 and 39-04-10 for the operation of the North Dakota veterans' cemetery for the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS - TRANSFERS.

Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer up to \$500,000 of appropriation authority to the operating expenses and capital assets line items contained in section 1 of this Act, as requested by the adjutant general during the biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The adjutant general shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 6. OTHER FUNDS - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND. The other funds line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$7,206,426 from the strategic investment and improvements fund, of which \$4,500,000 is for critical

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1	infrastru	cture state matching funds, \$2,500,000 is for the Williston readiness center design, and
2	\$206,42	6 is for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade. The other
3	funds lir	ne item in subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$1,020,000 from the
4	strategi	c investment and improvements fund, of which \$525,000 is for the state radio law
5	enforce	ment redundant switch and \$495,000 is for statewide interoperable radio network costs.
6	SEC	CTION 7. OTHER FUNDS - STATE DISASTER RELIEF FUND. The other funds line
7	item in	subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$11,800,703 from the state
8	disaster	relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs related to previous state disasters,
9	\$2,000,	000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the
10	ten perc	ent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation
11	progran	n, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for flood mitigation
12	grants.	
13	SEC	CTION 8. GIFTS, GRANTS, AND DONATIONS - NORTH DAKOTA MILITARY
14	MUSEU	M. The adjutant general may accept gifts, grants, and donations, including those from
15	private a	and federal sources, and remit the funding to the state treasurer for deposit in the state
16	historica	al society gifts and bequests fund for the construction of a North Dakota military museum
17	during t	he biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.
18	SEC	CTION 9. EXEMPTION - UNEXPENDED APPROPRIATIONS. The following
19	appropr	iations are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 and may be continued into
20	the bien	nium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027:
21	1.	Any amounts remaining for the construction of the Dickinson readiness center
22		continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from
23		federal funds in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
24	2.	Any amounts remaining for the line of communication bridge training site continued in
25		section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from federal funds in
26		subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
27	3.	The sum of \$9,000,000 appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund for the
28		construction of the Camp Grafton fitness facility in subdivision 1 of section 1 of

The sum of \$3,362,235 appropriated from the general fund for tuition assistance,

recruiting, and retention incentives to eligible current and former members of the North

chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws;

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- Dakota national guard in subdivision 1 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session

 Laws, which may be used for program administration and operating costs;
 - Any amounts remaining for the expansion of Camp Grafton continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the national guard training area and facility development trust fund in section 3 of chapter 16 of the 2021 Session Laws;
- 6. Any amounts remaining for replacing the state active duty software and maintenance continued in section 12 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws appropriated from the federal state fiscal recovery fund in subsection 24 of section 1 of chapter 550 of the 2021 Special Session Session Laws;
 - 7. The sum of \$314,000 appropriated from the general fund for cybersecurity grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws; and
 - The sum of \$225,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund for flood mitigation grants in subdivision 2 of section 1 of chapter 48 of the 2023 Session Laws.
 - SECTION 10. CAMP GRAFTON EXPANSION LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-ninth legislative assembly that the adjutant general contract for the purchase or long-term lease of land for the Camp Grafton expansion, including the purchase of up to one thousand six hundred acres and the long-term lease of the remainder, not to exceed six thousand acres in total. The adjutant general may not use eminent domain for the expansion of Camp Grafton.
- 21 **SECTION 11. EMERGENCY.** The following are declared to be an emergency measure:
 - The sum of \$6,000,000 appropriated from the general fund and the strategic investment and improvements fund for critical infrastructure state matching funds in the army guard contract line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act;
 - The sum of \$206,426 appropriated from the strategic investment and improvements
 fund for the civil air patrol statewide interoperable radio network upgrade in the civil air
 patrol line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act; and
 - The sum of \$39,050,000 appropriated from the state disaster relief fund and federal funds for the Safeguarding Tomorrow through Ongoing Risk Mitigation Act in the disaster costs line item of subdivision 2 of section 1 of this Act.

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1016 - Summary of Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Adjutant General				
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$139,214,739	(\$495,182)	\$138,719,557
Less estimated income	58,308,741	118,272,609	(495,182)	117,777,427
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$20,942,130	\$0	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(2.00)	157.08
Department of Emergency				
Services				
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$205,923,367	\$415,774	\$206,339,141
Less estimated income	114,662,611	196,213,117	239,077	196,452,194
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$9,710,250	\$176,697	\$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92
Bill total				
Total all funds	\$198,582,694	\$345,138,106	(\$79,408)	\$345,058,698
Less estimated income	172,971,352	314,485,726	(256,105)	314,229,621
General fund	\$25,611,342	\$30,652,380	\$176,697	\$30,829,077
FTE	233.00	236.00	(1.00)	235.00

House Bill No. 1016 - Adjutant General - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$7,745,742	\$3,655,887		\$3,655,887
New and vacant FTE pool		1,943,664	1 1	1,943,664
Operating expenses	3,214,211	1,595,214		1,595,214
Capital assets	224,046	47,974,000	1 1	47,974,000
Grants	470,692	470,692		470.692
Civil Air Patrol	330,642	545,896	1	545,896
Tuition, recruiting, and retention	3,362,235	3,362,235		3,362,235
Air Guard contract	8,928,725	9,535,641	(\$495,182)	9,040,459
Army Guard contract	49,586,921	68,667,894	1	68,667,894
Veterans' Cemetery	1,401,147	1,463,616		1,463,616
Reintegration program	900,634			
Total all funds	\$76,164,995	\$139,214,739	(\$495,182)	\$138,719,557
Less estimated income	58,308,741	118,272,609	(495, 182)	117,777,427
General fund	\$17,856,254	\$20,942,130	\$0	\$20,942,130
FTE	156.08	159.08	(2.00)	157.08

Department 540 - Adjutant General - Detail of Senate Changes

Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool Operaling expenses Capital assets Grants	Reduces Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases ¹	Adds Unfunded FTE Next Generation Leader Program Position ²	Removes Vacant FTE Positions ¹	Total Senate Changes
Civil Air Patrol Tuition, recruiting, and retention Air Guard contract Army Guard contract Veterans' Cemetery Reintegration program	(\$33,357)		(\$461,825)	(\$495,182)
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	(\$33,357) (33,357) \$0	\$0 0 \$0	(\$461,825) (461,825) \$0	(\$495,182) (495,182) \$0
FTE	0.00	1.00	(3.00)	(2.00)

¹ Funding for salary increases and health insurance increases are reduced as follows related to the removal of 3 FTE security positions:

	Federal <u>Funds</u>
Salary increase	(\$15,342)
Health insurance increase	(18.015)
Total	(\$33,357)

² Adds an unfunded FTE next generation leader program position. The House did not authorize this position.

³ The following vacant FTE positions and related salaries and wages are removed:

	FTE	Federal
	<u>Positions</u>	Funds
National Guard security	1.00	\$151,291
National Guard security	1.00	158,588
National Guard security	<u>1.00</u>	<u>151,946</u>
Total	3.00	\$461.825

House Bill No. 1016 - Department of Emergency Services - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$13,562,188	\$15,355,709	\$6,673	\$15,362,382
New and vacant FTE pool		725,676	185,101	910,777
Operating expenses	6,815,567	7,560,883	24,000	7,584,883
Capital assets		660,000		660,000
Grants	27,790,000	27,790,000		27,790,000
Disaster costs	74,249,944	152,811,099	200,000	153,011,099
Radio communications		1,020,000		1,020,000
Total all funds	\$122,417,699	\$205,923,367	\$415,774	\$206,339,141
Less estimated income	114,662,611	196,213,117	239,077	196,452,194
General fund	\$7,755,088	\$9,710,250	\$176,697	\$9,886,947
FTE	76.92	76.92	1.00	77.92

Department 542 - Department of Emergency Services - Detail of Senate Changes

Salaries and wages New and vacant FTE pool Operating expenses Capital assets	Adjusts Funding for 2025-27 New and Vacant FTE Pool! (\$205,668) 185,101	Adds Funding for FTE Watch Center Positions ² \$212,341 24,000	Adds One- Time Funding for Flood Mitigation Grants ¹	Total Senate Changes \$6,673 185,101 24,000
Grants Disaster costs Radio communications			\$200,000	200,000
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	(\$20,567) (2,057) (\$18,510)	\$236,341 41,134 \$195,207	\$200,000 200,000 \$0	\$415,774 239,077 \$176,697
FTE	0.00	1.00	0.00	1.00

¹ Funding of \$205,668 for the new FTE watch center position is removed and \$185,101 is added for this position in the 2025-27 new and vacant FTE pool line item.

² Funding is added for a new FTE position and a converted FTE position as follows:

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Hazardous Chemical Fees	Total
Adds funding for an FTE watch center position, including \$12,000 for operating expenses	1.00	\$197,101	\$20,5 6 7	\$217,668
Converts a vacant FTE emergency program specialist position to an FTE watch center position, to provide total funding of \$197,101 from the general fund and \$20,567 from hazardous chemical fees, including \$12,000 for operating expenses	0.00	(1,894)	<u>20.567</u>	18.673
Total	1.00	\$195,207	\$41,134	\$236,341

³ One-time funding of \$200,000 from the state disaster relief fund is added for flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.

House Bill No. 1016 - Other Changes - Senate Action

This amendment also adds a section to identify \$11,800,703 from the state disaster relief fund, of which \$5,750,703 is for costs relating to previous state disasters, \$2,000,000 is for natural disaster response and recovery grants, \$3,550,000 is for the ten percent state match for the federal safeguarding tomorrow through ongoing risk mitigation program, \$300,000 is for wildland fire disaster funding, and \$200,000 is for a flood mitigation grants to the City of Marion.