

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with Conference Committee Amendments**

**ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1015**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the state industrial  
2 commission and the agencies under the management of the state industrial commission; to  
3 provide a continuing appropriation; to authorize transfers; to provide for a report to the budget  
4 section; and to declare an emergency.

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

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the  
7 funds as may be necessary, are hereby appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in  
8 the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal  
9 funds and other income, to the state industrial commission and agencies under its control for  
10 the purpose of defraying the expenses of their various divisions, for the biennium beginning  
11 July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001, as follows:

12 Subdivision 1.

13 **INDUSTRIAL COMMISSION**

14 Salaries and wages	\$5,838,079
15 Operating expenses	1,754,234
16 Equipment	149,520
17 Grants	10,450,000
18 Administrative contingency	10,000
19 Bond payments	15,891,168
20 Geophysical exploration	<u>245,102</u>
21 Total all funds	\$34,338,103
22 Less estimated income	<u>13,767,635</u>
23 Total general fund appropriation	\$20,570,468

24 Subdivision 2.

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1	BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA - OPERATIONS	
2	Salaries and wages	\$14,394,153
3	Operating expenses	10,835,600
4	Equipment	500,000
5	Capital improvements	105,000
6	Contingency	<u>1,500,000</u>
7	Total appropriation from Bank of North Dakota fund	\$27,334,753
8	Subdivision 3.	
9	BANK OF NORTH DAKOTA - ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT	
10	Partnership in assisting community expansion fund	\$6,000,000
11	Agriculture partnership in assisting community expansion fund	1,500,000
12	Beginning entrepreneur loan guarantee program	10,000
13	Beginning farmer	<u>1,000,000</u>
14	Total general fund appropriation	\$8,510,000
15	Subdivision 4.	
16	MILL AND ELEVATOR ASSOCIATION	
17	Salaries and wages	\$12,390,674
18	Operating expenses	7,834,814
19	Contingency	250,000
20	Agriculture promotion	<u>50,000</u>
21	Total appropriation from mill and elevator fund	\$20,525,488
22	Subdivision 5.	
23	HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY	
24	Salaries and wages	\$2,733,217
25	Operating expenses	2,570,690
26	Equipment	75,000
27	Grants	18,213,040
28	Contingency	<u>100,000</u>
29	Total appropriation from housing finance agency fund	\$23,691,947
30	Grand total general fund appropriation H. B. 1015	\$29,080,468

1	Grand total special funds appropriation H. B. 1015	\$85,319,823
2	Grand total all funds appropriation H.B. 1015	\$114,400,291

3           **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION.** In addition to the amount appropriated to the housing  
4 finance agency in subdivision 5 of section 1 of this Act, there is hereby appropriated any  
5 additional income or unanticipated income from federal or other funds that may become  
6 available to the agency for the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.

7           **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - EMERGENCY COMMISSION APPROVAL.** In  
8 addition to the amount appropriated to the industrial commission in subdivision 1 of section 1 of  
9 this Act, there is hereby appropriated, with the approval of the emergency commission, funds  
10 that may become available to the commission from bonds authorized by law to be issued by the  
11 industrial commission under chapters 4-36 and 54-17.2 and section 54-17-25, for the biennium  
12 beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.

13           **SECTION 4. TRANSFER.** The sum of \$66,473, or so much of the sum as may be  
14 necessary, included in the special funds appropriation line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of  
15 this Act, is from the North Dakota mill and elevator association. The moneys must be  
16 transferred during the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001, upon order  
17 of the industrial commission.

18           **SECTION 5. TRANSFER.** The sum of \$86,706, or so much of the sum as may be  
19 necessary, included in the special funds appropriation line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of  
20 this Act, is from the accumulated and undivided profits of the Bank of North Dakota. The  
21 moneys must be transferred during the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30,  
22 2001, upon order of the industrial commission.

23           **SECTION 6. TRANSFER.** The sum of \$57,803, or so much of the sum as may be  
24 necessary, included in the special funds appropriation line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of  
25 this Act, is from the housing finance agency fund. The moneys must be transferred during the  
26 biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001, upon order of the industrial  
27 commission.

28           **SECTION 7. TRANSFER.** The sum of \$20,231, or so much of the sum as may be  
29 necessary, included in the special funds appropriation line item in subdivision 1 of section 1 of  
30 this Act, is from the revenues of the municipal bond bank. The available moneys must be

1 transferred during the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001, upon order  
2 of the industrial commission.

3 **SECTION 8. INCOME AUTHORIZATION - STUDENT LOAN TRUST.** There is hereby  
4 authorized the receipt of fees by the industrial commission in the sum of \$66,675, or so much of  
5 the sum as is owed, included in the special funds appropriation line item in subdivision 1 of  
6 section 1 of this Act, from the student loan trust for administrative services rendered by the  
7 industrial commission to the extent permitted by sections 54-17-24 and 54-17-25. The fees  
8 must be received during the biennium beginning July 1, 1999, and ending June 30, 2001, upon  
9 order of the industrial commission.

10 **SECTION 9. TRANSFER.** The industrial commission shall transfer to the general fund  
11 in the state treasury, the sum of \$3,000,000 from the North Dakota mill and elevator  
12 association. The moneys must be transferred in amounts and at such times as requested by  
13 the director of the office of management and budget during the biennium beginning July 1,  
14 1999, and ending June 30, 2001.

15 **SECTION 10. LIGNITE RESEARCH, DEVELOPMENT, AND MARKETING**  
16 **PROGRAM - APPROPRIATION - LIGNITE MARKETING FEASIBILITY STUDY.** The amount  
17 of \$500,000, or so much of the amount as may be necessary, included in the grants and  
18 special funds appropriation line items in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act, is from the lignite  
19 research fund for the purpose of contracting for an independent, nonmatching lignite marketing  
20 feasibility study or studies that determine those focused priority areas where near-term,  
21 market-driven projects, activities, or processes will generate matching private industry  
22 investment and have the most potential of preserving existing lignite production and jobs or that  
23 will lead to increased development of lignite and its products and create new jobs and  
24 economic growth for the general welfare of this state. Moneys appropriated pursuant to this  
25 section may also be used for the purpose of contracting for nonmatching environmental studies  
26 and activities, and studies and activities that assist with marketing of lignite-based electricity,  
27 and lignite-based byproducts. Moneys not needed for the purposes stated herein are available  
28 to the commission for funding projects, processes, or activities under the lignite research,  
29 development, and marketing program.

30 **SECTION 11. LEGISLATIVE INTENT - LEASE PAYMENTS.** The amount of  
31 \$15,891,168 included in subdivision 1 of section 1 of this Act in the bond payments line item

1 must be paid from the following funding sources during the biennium beginning July 1, 1999,  
2 and ending June 30, 2001:

3 Higher education institutions	\$1,190,590
4 General fund	13,952,899
5 Job service North Dakota	345,330
6 Federal portion for southeast human service center	131,331
7 Veterans' home improvement fund	<u>271,018</u>
8 Total	\$15,891,168

9 **SECTION 12. APPROPRIATION - TRANSFER.** The funds appropriated by  
10 subdivision 3 of section 1 of this Act must be transferred by the Bank of North Dakota to the  
11 partnership in assisting community expansion fund established by section 6-09.14-02; the  
12 agricultural partnership in assisting community expansion fund established by section  
13 6-09.13-04; and the beginning farmer loan fund established by section 6-09-15.5, unless the  
14 beginning farmer loan fund is consolidated into the Bank of North Dakota, in the amounts set  
15 out in that subdivision. The Bank of North Dakota may not be construed to be a general fund  
16 agency because of the appropriation made by subdivision 3 of section 1 of this Act.

17 **SECTION 13. PACE AND AG PACE FUND TRANSFERS.** Notwithstanding any other  
18 provision of law, the industrial commission may transfer any unobligated funds between the  
19 partnership in assisting community expansion fund and the agriculture partnership in assisting  
20 community expansion fund during the period beginning January 1, 2001, and ending June 30,  
21 2001.

22 **SECTION 14. BUDGET SECTION REPORT ON HOME MORTGAGE FINANCE**  
23 **PROGRAMS.** The industrial commission and the Indian affairs commission shall report to the  
24 budget section regarding the status of home mortgage finance programs of the housing finance  
25 agency available within Indian reservations located within the state of North Dakota. Reports  
26 must be presented to the budget section at its first meeting of the 1999-2000 interim and  
27 subsequently thereafter as requested by the chairman of the budget section.

28 **SECTION 15. EMERGENCY.** The appropriation in subdivision 3 of section 1 and the  
29 transfer in section 12 of this Act for the partnership in assisting community expansion fund and  
30 section 14 are declared to be an emergency measure.