

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 job service North  
2 Dakota.

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

4 **SECTION 1. BASE LEVEL FUNDING INFORMATION.** The amounts identified in this  
5 section represent the base level funding component appropriated to job service North Dakota in  
6 section 3 of this Act as follows:

|                                       |                   |
|---------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 7 Salaries and wages                  | \$34,017,882      |
| 8 Operating expenses                  | 14,529,359        |
| 9 Capital assets                      | 39,684            |
| 10 Grants                             | 7,617,792         |
| 11 Work force 2000                    | <u>1,250,000</u>  |
| 12 Total all funds - Base level       | \$57,454,717      |
| 13 Less estimated income - Base level | <u>56,204,717</u> |
| 14 Total general fund - Base level    | \$1,250,000       |

15 **SECTION 2. FUNDING ADJUSTMENTS OR ENHANCEMENTS INFORMATION.** The  
16 amounts identified in this section represent the funding adjustments or enhancements to the  
17 base funding level for job service North Dakota which are included in the appropriation in  
18 section 3 of this Act as follows:

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|---|-----------------|
| 19 Salaries and wages                         | \$645,718       |
| 20 Operating expenses                         | (1,250,446)     |
| 21 Capital assets                             | 185,316         |
| 22 Grants                                     | 1,429,373       |
| 23 Work force 2000                            | <u>(34,769)</u> |
| 24 Total all funds - Adjustments/enhancements | \$975,192       |

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| 1 | Less estimated income - Adjustments/enhancements | <u>969,961</u> |
| 2 | Total general fund - Adjustments/enhancements    | \$5,231        |

3           **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the  
4 funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
5 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
6 other income, to job service North Dakota, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that  
7 agency, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007, as follows:

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| 8  | Salaries and wages               | \$34,663,600      |
| 9  | Operating expenses               | 13,278,913        |
| 10 | Capital assets                   | 225,000           |
| 11 | Grants                           | 9,047,165         |
| 12 | Work force 2000                  | <u>1,215,231</u>  |
| 13 | Total all funds                  | \$58,429,909      |
| 14 | Less estimated income            | <u>57,174,678</u> |
| 15 | Total general fund appropriation | \$1,255,231       |

16           **SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - REED ACT FUNDS - WORK FIRST.** There is  
17 appropriated out of moneys made available to the state by the federal Reed Act distributions  
18 made in federal fiscal years 1957, 1958, 1999, and 2002, pursuant to section 903 of the Social  
19 Security Act, the sum of \$254,925, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to job service  
20 North Dakota for the purpose of paying allowable Wagner-Peyser Act expenses associated  
21 with the work first demonstration project, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending  
22 June 30, 2007.

23           **SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - REED ACT FUNDS - UNEMPLOYMENT**  
24 **INSURANCE COMPUTER MODERNIZATION PROCUREMENT PLANNING.** There is  
25 appropriated out of moneys made available to the state by the federal Reed Act distributions  
26 made in federal fiscal years 1957, 1958, 1999, and 2002, pursuant to section 903 of the Social  
27 Security Act, the sum of \$525,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to job service  
28 North Dakota for the purpose of unemployment insurance computer system modernization  
29 procurement planning, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007.

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| 1 | Grand total general fund appropriation S.B. 2016     | \$1,255,231  |
| 2 | Grand total estimated income appropriation S.B. 2016 | \$57,954,603 |
| 3 | Grand total all funds appropriation S.B. 2016        | \$59,209,834 |

4           **SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION.** All federal funds received by job service North  
5 Dakota in excess of those funds appropriated in section 3 of this Act are appropriated, for the  
6 biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007.

7           **SECTION 7. WORK FORCE 2000 FUNDING.** Fifty percent of the work force 2000  
8 funding in section 3 of this Act must be used for projects for new or expanding businesses in  
9 North Dakota.

10           **SECTION 8. WORK FIRST - REED ACT.** The special appropriation of federal Reed  
11 Act funds in section 4 of this Act is to be used by job service North Dakota to carry out a  
12 demonstration project on the effectiveness of certain actions in causing more rapid  
13 reemployment of unemployment insurance claimants and a corresponding reduction in the  
14 average duration of claims. The legislative assembly specifically authorizes job service North  
15 Dakota, during the period July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2007, to carry out this demonstration  
16 project. In so doing, job service North Dakota may provide additional or alternative services to  
17 the group of claimants randomly selected for participation in the demonstration project, and  
18 may, after assuring appropriate due process requirements are met, make participation in those  
19 services a condition of nonmonetary eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits. Job  
20 service North Dakota may also provide those demonstration project services at fewer than all of  
21 its local office sites.

22           **SECTION 9. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE MODERNIZATION - REED ACT.** The  
23 special appropriation of federal Reed Act funds in section 5 of this Act is to be used by job  
24 service North Dakota to carry out procurement planning for replacement of the current  
25 automated unemployment insurance tax and benefit system. Job service North Dakota is  
26 specifically directed to take those actions necessary to determine the requirements of such a  
27 replacement system and to issue a request for proposals to vendors to seek responses from  
28 those vendors on a timetable that will allow the selected response to be used as the basis of an  
29 appropriation request to the sixtieth legislative assembly.