A BILL for an Act to authorize the North Dakota council on the arts to develop and implement a pilot grant program to integrate arts into science, technology, engineering, and mathematics and core disciplines; and to provide an appropriation.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. ARTS INTO STEM PILOT GRANT PROGRAM - CRITERIA - SELECTION PROCESS. The North Dakota council on the arts shall develop and implement a pilot project to provide grants to entities to aid in the integration of arts into science, technology, engineering, and mathematics, and core disciplines. Grant funds awarded must be used for fees associated with consultants or creative services, art materials, supplies, and consumables that directly relate to the described project proposal, and fees associated with field trips that are art-based and relate directly to the project.

SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - NORTH DAKOTA COUNCIL ON THE ARTS. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of $125,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the North Dakota council on the arts for the purpose of making grants in accordance with section 1 of this Act, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015.