

Introduced by

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1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of transportation for the
2 construction and maintenance of state highways; to provide an appropriation to the state
3 treasurer for transportation funding distributions; and to declare an emergency.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - STATE**

6 **HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION AND MAINTENANCE.** There is appropriated out of any moneys
7 in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$620,000,000,
8 or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of transportation for the
9 construction and maintenance of state highways, for the period beginning with the effective date
10 of this Act and ending June 30, 2015. The funding provided in this section is considered a
11 one-time funding item.

12 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - STATE TREASURER - TRANSPORTATION FUNDING**

13 **DISTRIBUTIONS.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
14 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$100,000,000, or so much of the sum as may
15 be necessary, to the state treasurer for the purpose of providing transportation funding
16 distributions, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30,
17 2015. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item. The state
18 treasurer shall distribute the funds provided under this section as soon as possible as follows:

- 19 1. Sixty-four million dollars to non-oil-producing counties and cities pursuant to
20 subsection 4 of section 54-27-19.
- 21 2. Sixteen million dollars to counties and townships in non-oil-producing counties
22 pursuant to section 54-27-19.1. Organized townships are not required to provide
23 matching funds to receive distributions under this section.

1 3. Twenty million dollars to counties and townships in non-oil-producing counties through
2 a distribution of \$15,000 to each organized township and a distribution of \$15,000 for
3 each unorganized township to the county in which the unorganized township is
4 located. If any funds remain after the distributions provided under this subsection, the
5 state treasurer shall distribute eighty percent of the remaining funds to counties and
6 cities pursuant to the method provided in subsection 1 and shall distribute twenty
7 percent of the remaining funds to counties and townships pursuant to the method
8 provided in subsection 2.

9 For purposes of this section, a "non-oil-producing county" means a county that received no
10 allocation of funding or a total allocation under section 57-51-15 of less than \$500,000 for state
11 fiscal year 2012. Any funds received by a county under this section for an unorganized township
12 distribution must be used for roadway purposes in those unorganized townships located in the
13 county. All funds distributed under this section must be used for extraordinary roadway
14 maintenance purposes.

15 **SECTION 3. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.