Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

HOUSE BILL NO. 1012

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

- 1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the department of
- 2 transportation-and; to amend and reenact section 24-02-45.1 of the North Dakota Century
- 3 Code, relating to cooperative agreements with private entities for the construction of certain
- 4 <u>items on the state highway system;</u> to provide for transfers; to provide for the operation of
- 5 maintenance section sites; to provide an exemption; to provide for a study; to provide for a
- 6 report; and to declare an emergency.

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

8 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated from special funds derived from federal funds and

other income, to the department of transportation for the purpose of defraying the expenses of

the department of transportation, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30,

12 2021, as follows:

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	Base Level	Recommendation	<u>Appropriation</u>
Salaries and wages	\$201,478,341	\$199,505,520	\$201,478,341
Operating expenses	229,381,646	274,685,105	229,381,646
Capital assets	771,101,851	861,025,944	771,101,851
Grants	67,528,030	<u>95,854,637</u>	67,528,030
Total special funds	\$1,269,489,868	\$1,431,071,206	\$1,269,489,868
Full-time equivalent positions	1,047.00	980.00	1,047.00
		Adjustments or	
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
Salaries and wages	\$201,478,341	\$460,582	\$201,938,923
Operating expenses	229,381,646	19,871,688	249,253,334

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1	Capital assets	771,101,851	89,924,093	861,025,944	
2	Grants	67,528,030	28,326,607	95,854,637	
3	Total special funds	\$1,269,489,868	\$138,582,970	\$1,408,072,838	
4	Full-time equivalent positions	1,047.00	(42.00)	1,005.00	
5	SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUN	DING. The following amo	ounts reflect the one	-time funding	
6	items approved by the sixty-fifth legislative assembly for the 2017-19 biennium and the 2019-21				
7	one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:				
8	One-Time Funding Description		<u>2017-19</u>	<u>2019-21</u>	
9	Pipeline protest law enforcement support		\$709,000	\$0	
10	Electronic payment processing system		306,000	<u>0</u>	
11	Total special funds		\$1,015,000	\$0	
12	Pipeline protest law enforcement	support	\$709,000	\$0	
13	Electronic payment processing sy	stem	306,000	0	
14	Driver's license system project		0	22,500,000	
15	Minot and Williston driver's license	e facility maintenance	0	1,300,000	
16	Total special funds		\$1,015,000	\$23,800,000	
17	The 2019-21 one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget for the				
18	2021-23 biennium. The department of transportation shall report to the appropriations				
19	committees of the sixty-seventh legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the				
20	biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021.				
21	SECTION 3. LINE ITEM TRA	NSFERS. Notwithstandir	ng section 54-16-04,	the director of	
22	the office of management and budget shall transfer between appropriation authority the salaries				
23	and wages, operating expenses, capital assets, and grants line items in section 1 of this Act as				
24	requested by the director of the department of transportation when it is cost-effective for				
25	construction and maintenance of highways. The department of transportation shall notify the				
26	legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.				
27	SECTION 4. EXEMPTION - ENHANCED STATE HIGHWAY INVESTMENT FUNDING.				
28	Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to funding of \$503,115,558 in the capital assets line item				
29	relating to enhanced state highway investments in section 1 of chapter 12 of the 2015 Session			ne 2015 Session	
30	Laws. Any funds continued into the 2017-19 biennium but not spent by June 30, 2019, must be				

continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021, and may be expended only for enhanced state highway investments.

SECTION 5. APPROPRIATION - GENERAL FUND - SHORT LINE RAILROAD PROGRAM. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,500,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of transportation for the purpose of enhancing the department's short line railroad program, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

SECTION 6. APPROPRIATION - GENERAL FUND - ENHANCED STATE HIGHWAY FUNDING - EXEMPTION. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$13,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of transportation for the purpose of enhanced state highway improvements, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2019. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item. Section 54-44.1-11 does not apply to this funding and any funds not spent by June 30, 2019, must be continued into the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021, and may be expended only for enhanced state highway improvements.

SECTION 7. AMENDMENT. Section 24-02-45.1 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

24-02-45.1. Cooperative agreements with private entities for the construction of certain items on the state highway system.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the director may enter a cooperative agreement with a private entity for the construction of an item on the state highway system which will benefit the private entity and the traveling public, as determined by the director. The <u>private</u> <u>entity's cost-share of the</u> items requested to be added to the state highway system must be paid for in advance of the construction by the private entity before the department can construct the project. Funds received by the department pursuant to this section must be deposited in the state highway fund as prescribed by section 24-02-41 and are appropriated to the department. If the department requires engineering or contracting services for a project under this section, it may provide the services or procure the services in accordance with section 24-02-07.3 and 24-02-17.

SECTION 8. MAINTENANCE SECTION SITES - OPERATIONAL REQUIREMENTS. The
department of transportation shall establish the Mayville section site as a satellite site of the
Hillsboro section. Seasonal winter services in the Courtenay, Gackle, New England, and Finley
sections must be established if the department has an employee whose home residence is
located within the vicinity of the maintenance section site or the department hires an employee
whose home residence is located within the vicinity of the maintenance section site. The
department shall staff these sections no later than November first of each year through at least
March thirty-first of the subsequent year when seasonal winter services are established. The
department shall hold public hearings when the department proposes changes to highway
maintenance section sites that affect snow and ice control operations.
SECTION 9. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION STUDY - PUBLIC
TRANSPORTATION SERVICES - REPORT TO LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT. During the
2019-20 interim, the department of transportation shall study public transportation services
within the state. The study must include the number of users of public transportation services,
demographics of the users, other transportation options available to users of public
transportation services, and the identification of areas of the state which have no public or
private transportation services available.
SECTION 10. DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FLEET SERVICES - REPORT TO
SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The department of transportation shall report to
the sixty-seventh legislative assembly regarding the department's state fleet expenditures
compared to its 2019-21 biennium budgeted amounts.
SECTION 11. EMERGENCY. Sections 6 and 7 of this Act are declared to be an emergency
measure.