

**Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota  
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

SENATE BILL NO. 2030  
(Legislative Management)  
(Higher Education Committee)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the state board of higher education for the higher education challenge matching grant program; to create and enact paragraph 3 of subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48 and paragraph 3 of subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 15-10-49 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to institution eligibility for a matching grant for the advancement of academics; to amend and reenact subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48 and section 15-18.2-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to matching grants for the advancement of academics and state aid for institutions of higher education; to repeal subdivision d of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the eligibility of the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences to receive a matching grant for the advancement of academics; and to provide a penalty.

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

**SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$11,150,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the state board of higher education for the purpose of awarding matching grants for student scholarships and the advancement of academics at institutions of higher education, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023. The funding provided in this section is considered a one-time funding item.

**SECTION 2.** Paragraph 3 of subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

- (3) The institution is not sponsoring, partnering with, applying for grants with, or providing a grant subaward to any person or organization that performs, or promotes the performance of, an abortion unless the abortion is necessary to prevent the death of the woman, and not participating in or sponsoring any program producing, distributing, publishing, disseminating, endorsing, or approving materials of any type or from any organization, that between normal childbirth and abortion, do not give preference, encouragement, and support to normal childbirth. This paragraph does not apply to agreements entered into with medical hospitals and clinics by the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences or by any nursing education program at an institution under the control of the state board of higher education.

**SECTION 3. AMENDMENT.** Subdivision c of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

- c. The board may award up to one million seven hundred thousand dollars in matching grants to each institution to the university of North Dakota and North Dakota state university; and up to one million five hundred thousand dollars in matching grants for projects at the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences.

**SECTION 4.** Paragraph 3 of subdivision b of subsection 1 of section 15-10-49 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

- (3) The institution is not sponsoring, partnering with, applying for grants with, or providing a grant subaward to any person or organization that performs, or promotes the performance of, an abortion unless the abortion is necessary to

prevent the death of the woman, and not participating in or sponsoring any program producing, distributing, publishing, disseminating, endorsing, or approving materials of any type or from any organization, that between normal childbirth and abortion, do not give preference, encouragement, and support to normal childbirth. This paragraph does not apply to agreements entered into with medical hospitals and clinics by the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences or by any nursing education program at an institution under the control of the state board of higher education.

**SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 15-18.2-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

**15-18.2-05. Base funding - Determination of state aid - Penalty.**

1. Except as provided under ~~subsections~~subsections 2 and 3, in order to determine the state aid payment to which each institution under its control is entitled, the state board of higher education shall multiply the product determined under section 15-18.2-04 by a base amount of:
  - a. \$60.87 in the case of North Dakota state university and the university of North Dakota;
  - b. \$90.98 in the case of Dickinson state university, Mayville state university, Minot state university, and Valley City state university; and
  - c. \$97.06 in the case of Bismarck state college, Dakota college at Bottineau, Lake Region state college, North Dakota state college of science, and Williston state college.
2. An institution is entitled to an amount equal to seventy-five percent of the product determined under subsection 1 for credits completed by students receiving a tuition waiver pursuant to section 54-12-35.
3. An institution must certify to the state board of higher education that the institution is not sponsoring, partnering with, applying for grants with, or providing a grant subaward to any person or organization that performs or promotes the performance of an abortion unless the abortion is necessary to prevent the death of the woman, and not participating in or sponsoring any program producing, distributing, publishing, disseminating, endorsing, or approving materials of any type or from any organization which, between normal childbirth and abortion, do not give preference, encouragement, and support to normal childbirth. If an institution violates this subsection, the state board of higher education shall reduce the product determined in subsection 1 for that institution by two million eight hundred thousand dollars. This subsection does not apply to agreements entered into with medical hospitals and clinics by the university of North Dakota school of medicine and health sciences or by any nursing education program at an institution under the control of the state board of higher education.
4. Any individual who signs a contract in violation of subsection 3 is guilty of a class B misdemeanor. The state's attorney shall prosecute an offense under this subsection.

**SECTION 6. REPEAL.** Subdivision d of subsection 1 of section 15-10-48 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

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President of the Senate

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Speaker of the House

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Secretary of the Senate

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Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2030.

Senate Vote:    Yeas 35            Nays 11            Absent 1

House Vote:    Yeas 66            Nays 25            Absent 3

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Secretary of the Senate

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Governor

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Secretary of State