

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT
with Conference Committee Amendments
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2245**

Introduced by

Senators Krebsbach, Burckhard, Hogue, Wanzek

Representatives Fisher, Louser

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the agriculture commissioner for an intermodal
2 facility grant program; and to declare an emergency.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS**

5 **FUND - INTERMODAL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION GRANT PROGRAM - ONE-TIME**

6 **FUNDING.** There is appropriated from federal funds derived from the federal coronavirus capital
7 projects fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,000,000, or so much of the sum as
8 may be necessary, to the agriculture commissioner for the purpose of an intermodal facility
9 grant program for capital construction projects that will expand rail capacity to support economic
10 and workforce development and growth and enhance the value of agriculture and commercial
11 products exported through an intermodal facility in North Dakota for the period beginning with
12 the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2023. This funding is considered a one-time
13 funding item.

- 14 1. The agriculture commissioner shall establish guidelines for awarding grants under the
15 program.
- 16 2. Grants may be awarded only to an organization dedicated to the expansion of rail
17 capacity at an existing intermodal facility in the state connected to and served by a
18 class I railroad. Grant funds may be used only to pay for capital costs associated with
19 engineering, labor, equipment, and materials related to rail track expansion.
- 20 3. The funding provided under this section may be spent only to the extent the director of
21 the office of management and budget, in consultation with the budget section,
22 determines the use of the funding complies with federal guidance for the federal
23 coronavirus capital projects fund.

24 **SECTION 2. EMERGENCY.** This Act is declared to be an emergency measure.