

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

SENATE BILL NO. 2245
(Senators Krebsbach, Burckhard, Hogue, Wanzek)
(Representatives Fisher, Louser)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the agriculture commissioner for an intermodal facility grant program; and to declare an emergency.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - FEDERAL CORONAVIRUS CAPITAL PROJECTS FUND - INTERMODAL FACILITY CONSTRUCTION GRANT PROGRAM - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated from federal funds derived from the federal coronavirus capital projects fund, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$2,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the agriculture commissioner for the purpose of an intermodal facility grant program for capital construction projects that will expand rail capacity to support economic and workforce development and growth and enhance the value of agriculture and commercial products exported through an intermodal facility in North Dakota for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2023. This funding is considered a one-time funding item.

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

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

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

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. 2245 and that two-thirds of the members-elect of the Senate voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0

President of the Senate

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that two-thirds of the members-elect of the House of Representatives voted in favor of said law.

Vote: Yeas 82 Nays 6 Absent 6

Speaker of the House

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2021,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State