

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the commissioner of  
2 university and school lands; ~~and~~ to provide for distributions from permanent funds; to provide a  
3 report; and to provide an exemption.

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

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys from special funds derived from the  
7 state lands maintenance fund in the state treasury, to the commissioner of university and school  
8 lands for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the commissioner of university and school  
9 lands, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, as follows:

|   | <u>Governor's</u>      |                         |                        |
|---|------------------------|-------------------------|------------------------|
|   | <u>Base Level</u>      | <u>Recommendation</u>   | <u>Appropriation</u>   |
| <del>Salaries and wages</del>             | <del>\$5,725,379</del> | <del>\$6,415,196</del>  | <del>\$5,725,379</del> |
| <del>Operating expenses</del>             | <del>2,283,022</del>   | <del>2,229,872</del>    | <del>2,283,022</del>   |
| <del>Capital assets</del>                 | <del>0</del>           | <del>1,600,000</del>    | <del>0</del>           |
| <del>Contingencies</del>                  | <del>100,000</del>     | <del>100,000</del>      | <del>100,000</del>     |
| <del>Total special funds</del>            | <del>\$8,108,401</del> | <del>\$10,345,068</del> | <del>\$8,108,401</del> |
| <del>Full-time equivalent positions</del> | <del>28.00</del>       | <del>30.00</del>        | <del>28.00</del>       |
|   | <u>Adjustments or</u>  |                         |                        |
|   | <u>Base Level</u>      | <u>Enhancements</u>     | <u>Appropriation</u>   |
| <u>Salaries and wages</u>                 | <u>\$5,725,379</u>     | <u>\$657,259</u>        | <u>\$6,382,638</u>     |
| <u>Operating expenses</u>                 | <u>2,283,022</u>       | <u>(53,150)</u>         | <u>2,229,872</u>       |
| <u>Capital assets</u>                     | <u>0</u>               | <u>1,600,000</u>        | <u>1,600,000</u>       |
| <u>Contingencies</u>                      | <u>100,000</u>         | <u>0</u>                | <u>100,000</u>         |

|   |                                |             |             |              |
|---|--------------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| 1 | Total special funds            | \$8,108,401 | \$2,204,109 | \$10,312,510 |
| 2 | Full-time equivalent positions | 28.00       | 2.00        | 30.00        |

3           **SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO THE**  
4 **SIXTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding  
5 items approved by the sixty-sixth legislative assembly for the 2019-21 biennium and the  
6 2021-23 biennium one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

| 7  | <u>One-Time Funding Description</u>  | <u>2019-21</u>         | <u>2021-23</u> |
|----|--------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------|
| 8  | <del>Oil and gas impact grants</del> | <del>\$2,000,000</del> | <del>\$0</del> |
| 9  | <del>Mineral valuation study</del>   | <del>350,000</del>     | <del>0</del>   |
| 10 | <del>Total special funds</del>       | <del>\$2,350,000</del> | <del>\$0</del> |
| 11 | Oil and gas impact grants            | \$2,000,000            | \$0            |
| 12 | Mineral valuation study              | 350,000                | 0              |
| 13 | Information technology project       | 0                      | 1,600,000      |
| 14 | Total special funds                  | \$2,350,000            | \$1,600,000    |

15       The 2021-23 biennium one-time funding amounts are not a part of the entity's base budget  
16 for the 2023-25 biennium. The commissioner of university and school lands shall report to the  
17 appropriations committees of the sixty-eighth legislative assembly on the use of this one-time  
18 funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

19           **SECTION 3. DISTRIBUTIONS TO STATE INSTITUTIONS.** Pursuant to article IX of the  
20 Constitution of North Dakota, the board of university and school lands shall distribute during the  
21 biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, the following amounts, from the  
22 permanent funds managed for the benefit of the following entities:

|    |                                       |               |
|----|---------------------------------------|---------------|
| 23 | Common schools                        | \$421,020,000 |
| 24 | North Dakota state university         | 6,620,000     |
| 25 | University of North Dakota            | 5,084,000     |
| 26 | Youth correctional center             | 2,228,000     |
| 27 | School for the deaf                   | 2,014,000     |
| 28 | North Dakota state college of science | 1,941,000     |
| 29 | State hospital                        | 1,673,000     |
| 30 | Veterans' home                        | 795,000       |
| 31 | Valley City state university          | 1,178,000     |

|   |   |                |
|---|---|----------------|
| 1 | North Dakota vision services - school for the blind | 1,375,000      |
| 2 | Mayville state university                           | 742,000        |
| 3 | Dakota college at Bottineau                         | 285,000        |
| 4 | Dickinson state university                          | 285,000        |
| 5 | Minot state university                              | <u>285,000</u> |
| 6 | Total   | \$445,525,000  |

7       **SECTION 4. EXEMPTION - OIL AND GAS IMPACT GRANT FUND.** The amounts  
8 previously appropriated from the oil and gas impact grant fund and identified in sections 2 and 9  
9 of chapter 13 of the 2019 Session Laws related to the oil and gas impact grant fund, including  
10 any grant awards returned to the fund, are not subject to section 54-44.1-11. Any unexpended  
11 amounts are available for grants and administrative expenses associated with the fund during  
12 the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

13       **SECTION 5. EXEMPTION - INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY PROJECT - REPORT.** The  
14 \$3,600,000 appropriated from the state lands maintenance fund in section 1 of chapter 38 of the  
15 2017 Session Laws and identified in section 10 of chapter 13 of the 2019 Session Laws is not  
16 subject to section 54-44.1-11, and any unexpended funds are available to complete the  
17 information technology project during the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30,  
18 2023. During the 2021-22 interim, the commissioner of university and school lands shall provide  
19 at least one report to the information technology committee regarding the status of the  
20 information technology project.