

2019 SENATE POLITICAL SUBDIVISIONS

SB 2146

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee Red River Room, State Capitol

SB2146
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- ☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Mary Jo Wocken

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A Bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

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Chairman Burckhard opened the hearing on SB2146. All senators are present.

Senator Ole Larsen, District 3, Minot. This issue is kind of a round robin issue. We were here a couple sessions back trying to have the pioneer village in this group stay on the State Fair grounds. It's been a part of the history of Minot, it's just been a piece of the fabric forever. I am here to merely introduce the bill and it is to give them funding now. We are looking for funding to help them move. The ideals and the impacts of the pioneers and the people that came before us, are very important as well.

Senator J. Lee: I am sympathetic to your situation but Bonanzaville is similar in Cass County and we had \$200,000 worth of damage this past week because of one person, vandals turned on the exterior water faucets including in the new church foundation upon which the present church was moved after the previous church burned, so either were in or on, but philosophically how do we decide whether these projects that are historical are okay for the state to get engaged in and which ones or how do we select those things out?

Senator Larson: That is a great question. One of the reasons why I just can't let this issue go, as I've been in the Legislature and I've been seeing spending through our legislative process, \$100,000 appropriation for the Lawrence Welk place to be moved and maybe not moved but money went to that; the dinosaur head that was \$1M dollars then the appropriations going to the Heritage Museum. If we can afford those kind of things, I feel that this is affordable. Seeing as they are being forced to move with the issue of the flooding, unfortunately the Pioneer Village had more than just a water leak flood at their facility and

they did not reach out to the state for funding. So that is a big issue, and we were flooded too and it wasn't just a faucet.

Senator Anderson: I wonder if it's too late to deed the 3.5 acres to the Pioneer Village or do they want to build a new facility?

Senator Larson: When this piece of legislation first entered the light of day in Bismarck here, that was the correct thing to do and it wouldn't have caused anybody anything. But it's hard to get people to play in the sandbox, that is truly what the issue was because the caretaker of that facility is sitting on 4.5 acres of property and it's just that they are not getting along. I don't think that will ever happen. I don't know the history of this as much as the others, but my recollection is it went to court and the court said this is not my baby, and you need to take it to the Legislature. So then when we got to the Legislature, the Legislature said this is not our baby, you need to take it to the courts, so it goes back to the courts, then the courts finally decided I guess I am going to take this over and this is the way it is going to be. So, I would just as soon play instead of next session we're going to bring it back. I think we rode that horse long enough.

Senator Dotzenrod: I may have the answer already. I noticed on line 7, another location in Ward County, and in reading this testimony, I see they had 5 different offers of free land but they had a location that they determined and their going to finalizing it within a few weeks. I guess that question of location is solved.

Senator Larson: I think the folks that know the issue would better speak to it.

Mr. David Leite, President of the Ward County Historical Society, Minot. In favor of SB2146. Written testimony #1. (8:11-13:40)

Senator Kannianen: You have the numbers, well as far as the timing of the essence with the building saying you want \$2M or sum that may be necessary, so whether or not this would make a difference in the bill passing or not, but if as far as the promotion where time is of the essence if you took out the replacement of the car museum building as far as for this sum, to make the June deadline, and then if you took out some of the landscaping and earth things like that, some of the restoration repairs you would probably look more like \$900,000 ballpark right? That's more than what the time of the essence is?

Mr. David Leite: If you remove it. **Senator Kannianen:** That would be more of the essence for this summer anyway right. **Mr. David Leite:** We would not be able to be operational because of the damage to the buildings that are over 100 years old.

Senator Kannianen: Just the idea that at least you would avoid having them complicated and that the minimum.

Senator Anderson: Can you give us some numbers what your visitation rates were through the year and not just in the winter time, so that we might anticipate how many dollars you're spending for visitor and so forth?

Mr. David Leite: Last year we had over 5000 visitors from many counties and many states.

Chairman Burckhard: And there is no fee for them. **Mr. David Leite:** We don't charge a fee at this point.

Senator Anderson: The hours that you open that you anticipate being open in the new location?

Mr. David Leite: In the past we've been open 5 days a week, Tuesday through Saturday.

Senator J. Lee: Why don't you charge a fee? It doesn't have to be big but why not charge a fee?

Mr. David Leite: We determined that people will be more willing to give donations in excess of what they were charged and we would get less donors. We normally have a donation box.

Chairman Burckhard: David, what is the likelihood or are they starting to move the buildings?

Mr. David Leite: We have two semi-trailers and a moving van donated for use and we've been taking it out of the buildings what need to be emptied. We will begin yet to remove the buildings from its concrete and prepare them to move. The moving company said they could out by March for some of the smaller buildings. The big buildings and we have five, we have the church, 2 houses and the depot building will require significant outfit. The fair has decided that will help us get removed some of the fences, and barricades on the road, because they will have to be moved 2 at a time.

Chairman Burckhard: I mean June 15 isn't very long from now, we have winter to deal with and I am a little concerned about that. **Mr. David Leite:** We are concerned with that.

Senator J. Lee: To follow up, I find it extraordinary that \$50,000 I don't know if it's worth dealing with June 15 except for the damage they give to the buildings. How could they not allow any more time than that for something as big as moving these structures? **Mr. David Leite:** We've been dealing with them for quite a while. We are all trying to, it's a question you might have to ask them. **Sen. J. Lee:** This will affect my attitude about the State Fair Board. **Mr. David Leite:** The similar idea is to get everyone ready and flat before the fair starts this year.

Mr. Dan Caswell (18:11-24:40) Minot, President of the Magic City Antique Car Club as well as a board member of the Ward County Historical Society as well as a Lifetime member of the Dakota Cruises Car Club in Minot. The Magic city Antique Car Club is the entity that took over what used to be just an old warehouse on the north end of our lot and turned it into a car museum. That is part of the reason that we need a new building for the car museum and visitors center is because the building we have now is not conducive to our needs at all. The only cars we can get into the west end are cars that were built before 1925. Anything else is too wide even the 1925 cars leave black marks on the walls from the tires when they go through the door. That's part of the reason and also, the Dakota Cruisers Car Club is a club of over 700 people and they deemed our new enterprise worthy enough that they donated \$2,500 to the Ward County Historical Society to help to build the new building. For a car club to donate \$2500 to me that is pretty amazing. North Dakota has had a long time history of supporting artifacts, antiques, historical markers, and things and our Ward County Historical Society it's the same thing. We get 5,000-6,000 people a year through there, so we're a good

boost for the tourism of the area, and we have a lot of events out there. At some point in time we would like to put up another building besides the car museum for weddings or family reunions or things like this. Yes, it's unfortunate we got evicted off the State Fair Grounds and yes it's unfortunate that we have to move, but my personal opinion is it's going to be so much better for our entity in the long run because now we have the room to do this.

Chairman Burckhard: You have a lot of ideas which I am impressed with and a lot of potential for making that quite a destination spot between Minot and Williston. So does the City of Burlington have any dog in the fight, or are they going to help fund any of this?

Mr. Dan Caswell: The City of Burlington has been just absolutely overly fantastic in the support of our endeavor. They have just been bending over backwards doing everything they could for us. The Missouri Valley Development Corporation which is basically Burlington is the ones that actually purchased the land and paid for the land to donate to our museum. That land is \$300,000-400,000 dollars. I don't know what they paid for it.

Chairman Burckhard: So as I drive west of Minot would I be able to see this pretty easily?

Mr. Dan Caswell: As you go from Minot to Burlington, about ¼ mile before you get to the Burlington turnoff to the right, on the left side of the road there is a big hill with a bunch of trees on top of and then there is a brick wall where it used to be a brick factory. West of that is a big flat area of about 12 acres, and it's got a big semi-trailer that says Harvest Heights that flat area is our new location. The elevation is about 4 or 5 feet above the highway. So we're going to be very visible it will be overwhelming.

Ms. Jeanine Kabanuk: Mayor of Burlington, the original county seat, spoke in favor of SB2146. We are very excited to have the Ward County Historical Society back in our community. This move comes with a huge price tag but we are looking at as a positive price tag. It will help the city of Burlington, the revenue it will generate for our town and also for the Historical Society. So we are very positive about this and very excited about it. Too bad it has to cost so much to move.

Chairman Burckhard: So Burlington is all fired up about this. It might be a good destination thing for the city of Burlington.

Mr. Rod Kremer: City Council of Burlington. I agree with everything the Mayor has said. My wife and I just recently visited this for the 4th time, and it is well kept, it's clean, whoever has been doing his job is doing a really good job, and it's not contention of Burlington to be Burlington really, it still belongs to the state of North Dakota. And another fact, due to the time they have to move this, haste makes waste and if they don't get it done in time. If all this is lost it would be destroyed by any unfortunate, it's that way forever, there is no way to get it back. I've been to Bonanzaville and that's very nice and I hate to see that be lost too. These treasures we never get back.

Ms. Claudia Berg, Director of the State Historical Society of North Dakota, spoke in favor of SB2146. The historical society does support Ward County's efforts. We've been working with them over the last many years as they recovered from the flood. They have gone through an incredible amount of work coming back from the flood working with FEMA, resurrecting their buildings from all damage that did occur. Now to move, looking at it as an opportunity has

been described. What I am offering today is an amendment (Written attachment # 2) to the language of this bill. It is simply to clarify that this is a grant that would float through us to Ward County that we would not be managers of the move itself. So just wanted to clarify the language on that so it's understood how any funds would flow.

Senator Anderson: Could you give us a summary of the State Historical Society funding now and how much money they grant out and to whom that goes on the current basis?

Ms. Claudia Berg: Our Heritage Cultural Grant Program was cut. So we don't have any grant funds anymore to go our county local museums. In the last biennium that all ended.

Senator Anderson: In my thoughts you were able to grant about \$40,000 dollars to various

Ms. Claudia Berg: In the last grant run for county and local museums and communities as well state-wide, it was up to our \$500,000 for biennium, and that was reduced in then it was done away with the program. I will say also that Ward County is an official affiliate of the State Historical Society as the official county museum as is Cass County at Bonanzaville.

Senator J. Lee: How many visitors does the Lawrence Welk home have in a year? Do you know?

Ms. Claudia Berg: I think it's about 5,000 I could be wrong and I can get you those numbers.

Senator J. Lee: I was just thinking about the time that this was considered, everybody asked why are you doing that. Everybody who really cares about that is going to be dead. That's a very small project, but I was just wondering if you are considering it as an investment there in order to preserve that spot. How many visitors that are actually making the trek to Lawrence Welk. It's not a big deal. **Ms. Claudia Berg:** I could add that with that site we've taken the opportunity to broaden out interpretation of North Dakota's history in that is Lawrence Welk's birthplace but were really focusing on German Russian history in early agriculture because those were sites that we had no interpretation and it was pretty major areas. So we broaden that opportunity. **Senator J. Lee** The scope of that. **Ms. Claudia Berg:** yes.

Mr. Harry Price: (34:30-38:57) No one has really spoken as a person or entity that has utilized any of the buildings. The last testimony was two years ago when we were trying to get the Legislature to allow the Ward County Historical Society to stay on the state fair grounds. I pretty much initiated that effort and Faith Lutheran Church is a small congregation and the Historical Society our congregation to utilize the church that is on their location. I believe that the church was built in 1904. This small congregation of 25 members at the time, fewer now, but, we could use the church for our services although it did not have heat. Any of you who live in ND in the winter time, a structure without heat is extremely difficult to use. We wanted to put heat in the building and I called MDU and had them come out where they did an assessment right off the property. There was a main trunk line for natural gas. It was my suggestion to MDU to contact the State Fair Board to do their due diligence as to whether or not we would be able to put a furnace in the church. MDU gave us a bid, everything looked right, our small congregation invested about \$6500 in a gas furnace, had it installed and then we called MDU and Renae Korslien, General Manager, who is the person in charge of the State Fair and she nixed the whole thing. Why can't we do it? You will not dig any ground or

disturb any ground on State Fair. We could not get MDU to run the trunk or line over to the furnace. So when we were going to have the furnace put into propane, no you cannot do that because you're not going to have an underground line from the propane tank. Every idea that we came up the State Fair nixed. We as a small congregation now should the Legislature appropriate the monies we are getting that furnace to the Ward County Historical Society. We were able to get some electrical in the building in order to put base board heat and that helped in the winter time. (More examples cited) I've never seen an entity treat people the way they do. (Attachment #3).

Mr. Tim Hoff, Burlington (39:00-42:21) and I heard the fine questions that you asked are very intelligent questions and I think they have been answered. I am Norwegian and Dane. I am from Burlington. There is a lot of good going on here. I've never seen the people of Burlington get so excited since the Centennial. There was a guy there from economic development and it was floating around a little bit, they got together and I don't know how much they spent. They came up with this deal, now they are running into this deal with the time limits to give them and I don't understand that either. But I am all for it. Just to let you know I have nothing to do with politics, as far as money and this land for what I understand is going to be there's and they can drive their stakes in and pour concrete, make roads.

Robert Bruhaug, Burlington, (42:49) I been down to the Historical Society a number of times and it's very difficult to get around. I have Parkinson's and my left side is very weak. They don't have the facilities for handicap people there and with this new plan I am sure I will be able to get around all of the buildings and up and down the hillsides. The roadways and backways are planned very well.

Chairman Burckhard: I think this project will be a much improved situation when it is all gets finished.

Chairman Burckhard: asked for others in favor, in opposition, or in neutral testimony to this bill. No one came forward.

Senator Dotzenrod: I would like to ask Mr. Leite several questions. I am just wondering about a project like that if there is an income stream of some kind do you have like an historical society membership fee that if you want to join the local historical society you can become a member and pay \$25 a year.

Mr. David Leite: Yes, we have memberships for students, single, family and then lifetime memberships.

Senator Dotzenrod: So does that generate money? **Mr. David Leite**: That is our main revenue generators and we also give to an employee \$1000 from Ward County.

Senator Dotzenrod: So that membership does that generate \$10,000 a year or what? **Mr. David Leite**: It does not. We should be getting some more lifetime memberships. We get about \$5000 per year.

Senator Kannianen: Along those lines, what do you estimate do you get from your donation boxes out and around the museum?

Mr. David Leite: We get I would say about \$5000 and people a lot of people didn't offer anything. Perhaps \$10,000 a year in donations.

Senator J. Lee: I am involved in more than one place with historical interests and so forth, and I have family members who live in the Dallas area and one of the cool things that is in lots of places, is that if you have a membership in that network of historical sites, that you can visit the one in Burlington if I belonged to the Cass County Historical Society which I happen to do. I was just wondering if that is something and Claudia is still here, that is available in the network of historical sites throughout the state where you can buy a membership in the State Historical Society and have a freely displaced access to the other sites that are available. If you have this wonderful big plan, there's got to be a couple of bucks required at the door. It just seems to me to find a way to get more people there.

Mr. David Leite: There currently isn't such a program but that is a good idea.

Chairman Burckhard closed the hearing on SB2146.

Committee Discussion:

Sen. Larson: I move the amendment that was offered on SB2146

2nd Sen. J. Lee

Chairman Burckhard: Discussion on amendment. It basically clarifies that it is passed already.

Roll call vote: 6 Yea, 0 No, 0 Absent

Motion passes.

Senator J. Lee: I am a strong supporter of this project going forward and I see the value that's there and I am not trying to be a curmudgeon about this in any way. But I am chair of Senate Human Services and I need \$600,000 to do the additional forensic interviews on children who have been sexually abused so that they don't have to face the abuser in court. I have to split the baby as to where the money goes. This is really hard for us. This is what we get to do, to try and figure out what we're going to do, and so this is a difficult vote for me because I absolutely want you to be able to do what you're doing. I think you're all just right on the right page and you want everything to go. But if I support, even if it's the \$1.6 or the \$900,000 which Sen. Kannianen mentions we've spent the last 3 days in this room hearing from people with terrible things going on in their lives and the budget limitations and cuts in that department that I sit in Sen. Burckhard chair for that would just break your heart. How do we make those choices, how do I decide for what I am going to do and this is never easy and I think you have every right to see us talking about this to figure out where were going to go but I may not be able to vote for it, not because I don't support what you're doing and maybe I will; I can wake up tomorrow morning and I am not going to be any more- sure about what I am going to do. But if I have to choose, this is Solomon. I am not Solomon. How do I split this baby between something that absolutely deserves it's support and another cause that absolutely deserves it's support as well? We have to figure out where the money needs to go and this is a difficult decision for me.

Senator Anderson: The only reason that I would consider supporting this at all is because it's on the State Fair grounds and may have a quasi-state agency that is forcing them to go someplace else. I wish it could have been solved a little differently prior to this. I agree with Senator Lee it is awfully difficult for us to say this particular project should have \$2M dollars. You know 5,000 people is not a big visitor thing and it will take 40 years at 5,000 people at \$10 a piece admission just to pay back the principal. So, as I understand the local people and so forth wanting the project but every community in the state wants a project if we were able to give them \$2M bucks to do it with. So, I haven't decided yet, but the only reason I would support it is because they are being forced on.

Senator Dotzenrod: I think this is really an appropriations sort of process of trying to decide whether the priorities line up. In Minot the Appropriations Committee however we have that kind of information that they have as far as like the other projects around the state. It does seem like I would be willing to support this to just get it to the Appropriations Committee. This will have to go to them. They will look at it, and they will measure it against other things that they've got deal with down there. So, I am thinking maybe if I was on the Appropriations Committee and look at and see we just can't afford any of this. It doesn't seem on the scheme of priorities it doesn't rise to the level that these other projects. In our committee let's pass it on and pass it on to them and let them look at it. I would be open to the idea of lending them that \$2M dollars and narrowing it down to a smaller number because I do think that they need because of the time constraints, there are some things that have to be done fairly soon. So if we have a motion in front of us, I do think if you could raise and get \$1.2 M instead of \$2 M you would at least get I think those things that you need to get moved. I do think the state has some stake in this because of the state fair grounds. I think we've got some sort of obligation to try and make this right. But, if we send it on to the Appropriations and they have the number down a little bit, that might help with them.

Chairman Burckhard: So could we withdraw the motion and the 2nd and lower the amount.

Senator J. Lee: I understand what Senators Anderson and Dotzenrod are saying. On one hand I definitely don't support the idea of policy committee sort of passing things on to Appropriations to kill, but I get what these gentlemen are saying about the fact that we do have a state obligation here. That helps me to feel more comfortable with something. But I am wondering particular because Sen. Dotzenrod brought it up first and I was thinking it myself if there was a different number. Another thing is I am wondering what kind of low interest loans you may explore. Have you talked to the Bank of North Dakota, Economic Development folks, about low interest financing for a portion of this? Is there somebody who can step to the podium and tell us about that? That matching funds thing will sing a lot more to appropriations than it will to us to as an option.

Mr. Dan Caswell: Somewhere in my notes here I've got who I talked to at the State Bank of North Dakota and they have no program for low interest loans or grants for type of development. I also talked with the Minot Area Development Corporation about, also the Minot City Park District, and to the City of Minot. None of those entities have any programs to help with this project.

Chairman Burckhard: So do we have a motion and a 2nd still or are we still pondering? Did we withdraw those? Yes, we did. We are looking for another motion.

Senator Dotzenrod: I guess to try and get those time critical things done, I was kind of thinking of a number about \$1.2M and maybe that is a little high yet, but it does seem like to me now. I am open to suggestions. If I didn't hear anything else, I would strike the \$2M and put \$1.2 in its place.

Senator Anderson: If we're thinking of not doing an appropriations work, if we're going to send it on and we are really serious about that Appropriations should take a serious look at it, if we put it with the \$2M then we can reduce it. Otherwise we could reduce it down to \$500,000 and it pay the first 3 lines on their which are the things they have to do to get the thing moved. I am skeptical whether that would come out the other end with appropriations anyway, regardless whether what we do here. Four years ago things were a lot different and we could come up with that kind of money yet. The Lewis and Clark Interpretative Center of course is owned by the state of North Dakota and we put quite a bit of money in that. Visitations are much, much higher than what we're talking for a project like this and I think there we only put about \$3 M into that project. So, not everybody agreed that was a good idea either, Senator Lee.

Chairman Burckhard: So the debate is we either leave that \$2 M, or amend to a lower amount instead and let the appropriation committee have at it, right?

Senator Dotzenrod: Well I thought about that, it crossed my mind. If we really are taking a look at what the project involves and what they've got listed here for costs, maybe the simplest thing is for us to say we think there is some state obligation here and we're just going to let it go as it is and let them make that decision about whether it fits in the priorities. I guess if the committee is kind of leaning that way based on the comments I'm hearing I guess I would ahead and move for a do pass on 2146 as it is.

Chairman Burckhard: As amended, with the Claudia Berg amendment?

Senator Dotzenrod: With the Historical society amendment and then re-refer to appropriations.

2nd: Senator Burckhard

Roll call vote: 6 Yea, 0 No, 0 Absent

Carrier: Senator Burckhard

January 10, 2019

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2146

Page 1, line 6, replace "relocating" with "providing a grant to an entity to relocate"

Renumber accordingly

Date: 1.10.2019
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2146

Senate Political Subdivisions Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: 19.0485.03001

Recommendation: ☒ Adopt Amendment
☐ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☐ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar

Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Sen. Diane Larson Seconded By Sen. Judy Lee

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Chair Randy Burkhard	X		Sen. Jim Dotzenrod	X	
Vice chair Howard Anderson	X				
Sen. Diane Larson	X				
Sen. Judy Lee	X				
Sen. Jordan Kannianen	X				

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

Date: 2.10.2019
Roll Call Vote #: 2

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Motion Made By Senator Notzke Seconded By Senator Burkhard

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Chair Randy Burkhard			Sen. Jim Dotzenrod		
Vice chair Howard Anderson					
Sen. Diane Larson					
Sen. Judy Lee					
Sen. Jordan Kannianen					

Total (Yes) 6 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Senator Burkhard

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2146: Political Subdivisions Committee (Sen. Burckhard, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** and **BE REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2146 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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Renumber accordingly

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2019 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

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2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

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SB 2146
1/22/2019
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☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Alice Delzer / Florence Mayer
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Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

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| 1. Testimony of David Leite
2. Testimony of Dan Caswell
3. Testimony of Jeanine Kabanuk |
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V. Chair Krebsbach: Called the Committee to order on SB 2146. All committee members were present except Senator Holmberg, who was in another hearing. Alex Cronquist, Legislative Council and Larry Martin, OMB were also present.

David Leite, President of the Ward County Historical Society: Testified in favor of SB 2146 and provided Attachment # 1 a request for financial support through the ND Historical Society for the Ward County Historical Society's Pioneer Village Relocation Campaign.

(3:44) Senator Dever: You indicate buildings need to be removed by June 15th, but I don't see an emergency clause on the bill. So the money wouldn't be available until after July 1st.

Mr. Leite: I would think they would forgive us that time frame. We could get the vendors to work with us as long as we know the time frame.

Senator Grabinger: Is there any matching money or private effort to help with this?

Mr. Leite: Page 3 of my testimony is the Estimates to Relocate Pioneer Village Buildings to Burlington. On the bottom we have donations, with land, grants, etc. Hoping to continue our campaign, then we can do a higher level from fund raising. If we get out by that time, we will get \$50,000 from the state fair.

Senator Grabinger: The 1.5 EDC, is that a loan or a grant?

Mr. Leite: They purchased the property and they will be giving it to us in February. We will own the property. No money, just the sale price on the land.

Senator Oehlke: The idea to push you to get out sooner, is that because the buildings that are they want to use? Or they just want to bulldoze them?

Mr Leite: They have no use of the buildings; they want the area leveled. They want them gone before the state fair is held.

Senator Hogue: The land that has been given, does it have a value of \$1.5M? Are there any restrictions on you leveraging this property to get some proceeds to help with this?

Mr. Leite: The property is still on the market at that price. We looked at low income loans, state bank, there's no opportunity that we've found with low interest loans. We haven't looked at leveraging the property.

Senator Hogue: In terms of the state fair, they put the deadline at June, and you say if you don't meet that there's the possibility the building will be sold or destroyed. Have they indicated one way or another what their intent might be.

Mr. Leite: They have a contract set for June 16 to come in and level the whole area. The state fair is probably assuming there won't be buildings there. You'd have to ask them what the plans would be if buildings were left over. Our intention is to get all the buildings out of there.

Senator Hogue: No one from the state fair has said that their intent is to destroy the buildings? That was confirmed.

(8:37) Senator Dever: Today is the 22nd of January, the bill is being heard in the Senate, it will not be heard in the House until maybe March. Its final resolution would likely be in late April, does that allow you enough time?

Mr. Leite: They'll likely start moving some small buildings. We have \$45,000 in our budget that will cover the small buildings.

Senator Sorvaag: It says lost revenue of \$18,000. So that's been the normal yearly revenue?

Mr. Leite: We get that from donations. We took that as an average of the last 5 years.

Senator Sorvaag: Just donations or do you charge entrance?

Mr. Leite: We don't charge entrance. We have membership fees and donations.

Senator Sorvaag: Is your intent to continue that after the relocation?

Mr. Leite: Minot State University is doing a survey on that about fees and how the public would react.

Senator Poolman: Just to clarify, the EDC has already purchased the land for \$1.5M and signed it over? She was told in February.
Do you know the source of their funding?

Mr Leite: They are a non-profit. They buy and sell property and help developers, I believe.

(11:05) Andy Femrite, President of Burlington Economic Development Group: We get our money from selling and buying property. We worked hard to make Burlington what it's going to be. In the past, Burlington has been a little child of Minot. We don't want that anymore; we want to stand on our own. We have done ball parks, splash pad, new housing development, now the historical society. We took some proceeds from other projects to donate to this. It isn't just for Burlington, it's for Ward county, and for ND. Someone asked if we are going to charge? No we aren't. Are we going to have to? Possibly. We only have a small opportunity to save our history. A lot of you have lived for many years, and understand history. Younger people don't have those opportunities. If we don't save this stuff it will be lost forever.

Senator Poolman: All of your funding is private? That was confirmed.

V. Chair Krebsbach: Further questions for Mr. Leite? The Pioneer Village is a great asset. It is a tough decision for Minot, we are dealing with the state fair as well as the Pioneer Village. We would like continuation of both entities. Burlington is just west of Minot; the first Ward county court house was located in Burlington.

Senator Hogue: I live a mile from Burlington, it is an outstanding location for this project. It is a neat thing to bring the building back to the original county seat.

(15:13) Senator Bekkedahl: I did have one question for Mr. Leite. Was there ever any discussion with the city about federal grants to get that money from the rehabilitation of the 2011 flood?

Mr. Leite: It was rebuilt with 1.2M of FEMA money. While the rebuilding process was still taking place is when the fair came forward and wanted to evict the village.

Senator Bekkedahl: Since you are relocating from the area that was flooded, even though you had done some rehabilitation already, was there any possibility of federal grant money through the Minot Flood Program to help move out of this area as well?

Mr. Leite: I wasn't a part of the organization at that time, but I don't recall of anything like that occurring.

V. Chair Krebsbach: There is a lot of history on this. At one time, the city offered some free land in a different location. The village wasn't ready to leave that area. Things developed, things went to court, a lot of money has been spent on both sides. There was a time when it could have been relocated, at not a great expense to the village, but at this point we need to deal with it at the state it is at.

Senator Bekkedahl: The recent grant was something like \$73-74M that Minot got. Would any of that money be available to help with this process. Is it an issue of not be eligible or not a priority of the Minot City Council?

V. Chair Krebsbach: When that grant came to the city of Minot, I don't think either side was ready to deal with it. There were very strict regulations, so I don't know if this would have qualified.

(18:29) John Fjeldahl, Vice Chairman of Ward County Commissioners: Testified in favor of SB 2146. (No written testimony) I should add a couple things historical wise. I'm currently chairman of the all seasons arena, and been involved in the discussion of this going back through the years. The all seasons arena is part of the state fair grounds. I have been a county commissioner for 12 years, we have supported both organizations (state fair and historical society). I want to see both survive. Both are important to the state, that they do well. The location of where this will be located, will do just that. It will be on the corner of 2 and 52, should get a lot of exposure and traffic. I would certainly encourage you to support this.

V. Chair Krebsbach: Any further comments please take the podium.

(20:31) Dan Caswell, past owner of AIS Equipment ND: Testified in favor of SB 2146 and provided Attachment #2 which shares information regarding a building for car shows, and the advantage of moving the Pioneer Village to Burlington. He is requesting assistance from this committee and a Do Pass for SB 2146.

(28:35) Senator Mathern: I'm interested in your opinions. I went to a function this summer, they had an old car and tractor they were auctioning off. They didn't go very high. They were saying that people in our age are dying off, the price of some of these things are going down. Do you see the next generations enjoying these cars? What will the market be for these things in the future?

Mr. Caswell: You are right. A lot of people are scared to buy the older cars; the retail values are dropping. I am fighting hard along with the museum, getting the cars looking decent. The young people who aren't interested in these old cars, where do they see them? Behind a barrier in museums that say "do not touch". I want to have our museum where they can sit in them, take pictures, push the horn, take rides during events. Let them take rides, experience them, touch them, and they will develop an appreciation for them.

Senator Hogue: I'm not sure who my question is for, but I wanted to get clarification on the breakdown of the expenses. I want to understand the costs of moving the buildings. Most of these expenses are to get this operational again. But if I look at the cost for moving the buildings and the estimate for the repairs. would that be the universe of all of the estimates for physically relocating those buildings without getting them operational.

Mr. Caswell: Yes, the things like the \$75,000 estimate to repair damages during the move, that's a guess. We don't know how much damage these buildings will sustain in the move. Other things, like the house mover, that is fairly stable. It is an expensive move, we have to remove some major sections of buildings like the West wing of a house, or the church steeple. The access road, security fence, landscaping, those aren't immediate but are still things we need to do.

(34:04) Robert Bruchaug, President of the Sons of Norway: Handicap facilities are not at the fairgrounds as far as this location is concerned. I am also a founder of the Oliver Heritage Museum Magazine (Oliver Heritage Magazine) in Greenville, IL. You talk about young people not interested in old machinery. We took and started the Oliver Heritage to get young people involved. We have 785 members of the Oliver Heritage. We have 6,500 for the newer magazine and they are usually younger people. Once we got them involved, now they are interested in the old stuff. If you can get the young people involved, they will go back to some of the old stuff. I feel very strong about this museum.

(36:26) Jeanine Kabanuk, Mayor for the City of Burlington: Testified in favor of SB 2146 and provided Attachment #3, her letter is asking the Senate Appropriations Committee to pass this bill for \$2M.

Andy Femrite, President of Burlington Economic Development Group: One of the things we've talked about is the fair board having to move these guys out of there. There are some reasons why they want to move them out. They have plans to build a new building in that spot. In moving this out to Burlington, it will give 100 times more exposure than where it is at now. There is a new building coming up in Minot, with science, old planes and cars so these kids can see their life before them. We need to bring this forward to them, they can't just find it themselves if it's not there.

(40:25) Senator Erbele: Question for Mr. Caswell. In terms of your building for the car museum. What size and how many vehicles are we talking?

Mr. Caswell: We are hoping for a 60 ft. x 200 ft. building. Depending on cash flow, costs, and funds coming in, we may end up with a 60x40 ft. building and then add on as money is available. We would have a reception area, gift shop, 2 handicap bathrooms, we will have a mechanical room for the furnaces/water heaters, office/media room, library, military display, doctor's office, and warehouse and storage. The middle section would be the car museum with room for about 36 cars.

Senator Erbele: So this would be a 4-seasons building? That was confirmed. And how close to the historical buildings? I'm more concerned about keeping within the character of history, and not sticking a new machine shed in the middle of the old buildings. Are you sensitive to that?

Mr. Caswell: Right now, we don't have it finished completely. As of now, when you come into our yard, there would be the Samuelson Mansion, then the gift shop on the opposite of the road. We will put a fake front/roof over this building to make it look like an antique building from the front. Minot lumber said they have tin siding that will make it look like a rustic barn. We aren't planning on a \$100M big fancy new building that doesn't match. This will be 2x6s with sheetrock on the inside and tin on the outside. With the historic society, we are very conservative.

(43:56) V. Chair Krebsbach: So your intent is to do it in character of an older style building. That was confirmed.

The hearing was closed on SB 2146.

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Harvest Room, State Capitol

SB 2146
2/8/2019
Job # 32465

- ☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk Signature Rose Laning

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

Legislative Council: Levi Kinnischtzke
OMB: Becky Deichert

Senator Hogue: I move to overstrike the word \$2M on line 5 and replace it with \$450,000.

Senator Krebsbach: Seconded the motion.
Voice vote. Motion carried.

Senator Hogue: Moved SB 2146 as amended

Senator Krebsbach: Seconded the motion.

A Roll Call Vote was taken: Yes: 12 No: 1 Absent: 1.

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February 8, 2019

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$2,000,000" with "\$450,000"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment reduces the general fund appropriation for a grant to relocate the Pioneer Village from \$2,000,000 to \$450,000.

Date: 2-8-2019
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2146

Senate Appropriations

Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: overstrike \$2M & replace with \$450,000

Recommendation: ☐ Adopt Amendment
☐ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☐ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar

Other Actions:

☐ Reconsider

☒ draw up new amendment

Motion Made By Hogue Seconded By Krebsbach

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Holmberg			Senator Mathern		
Senator Krebsbach			Senator Grabinger		
Senator Wanzek			Senator Robinson		
Senator Erbele					
Senator Poolman					
Senator Bekkedahl					
Senator G. Lee					
Senator Dever					
Senator Sorvaag					
Senator Oehlke					
Senator Hogue					

Total (Yes) _____ No _____

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

*Voice Vote
Carried*

Date: 2-8-2019
Roll Call Vote #: 2

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2146

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: _____

Recommendation: ☐ Adopt Amendment
☒ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☒ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar
Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Hogue Seconded By Krebsbach

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Holmberg	X		Senator Mathern	X	
Senator Krebsbach	X		Senator Grabinger	X	
Senator Wanzek	X		Senator Robinson	X	
Senator Erbele	X				
Senator Poolman		X			
Senator Bekkedahl	X				
Senator G. Lee	A				
Senator Dever	X				
Senator Sorvaag	X				
Senator Oehlke	X				
Senator Hogue	X				

Total (Yes) 12 No 1

Absent 1

Floor Assignment _____

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

political Subs

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2146, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (12 YEAS, 1 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2146 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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Renumber accordingly

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2019 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2146

2019 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Roughrider Room, State Capitol

SB 2146
3/5/2019
33237

- ☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Risa Bergquist

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

Attachment 1-2

Chairman Delzer: Called the meeting to order, roll was taken and the bill title was read.

1:50-Senator Larson, District 3 Minot: (Testifies in favor of SB 2146) This group is in my district and are housed at the fairgrounds currently. When the flood happened there was some movement to get the Historical Society to move off the fair grounds. We used to have the governor's picnic there and the Northern Neighbors day picnic there during the fair and a lot of stuff that was going on. They have been in this location for a long time. What has happened is there was some litigation that allowed them to be moved from the property. The judicial group said that is was legislative issue. We brought the issue to the legislature to say we want the boundaries met. We want to stay. The committee that heard this said it is a judicial issue and kicked it back to judicial. The Historical Society is now forced to move because of that ruling. This bill has passed from the senate, so you have the amount of money that we need. Started out at about 2 million dollars and then the appropriation committee in the senate has reduced that. I don't think that is an accurate number but I don't think that is accurate and would like to see some restoration of those funds. The fair did give them 49 thousand dollars to help them relocate, which also has a timeline.

7:15 Chairman Delzer: What was the time line that the fair put on and was any of that 49 thousand spent?

Senator Larson: I would have to double check on the time line and they have to have everything off before they get the funding.

9:00 Chairman Delzer: You called them both political subs? How do you call the Ward County Historical Society a political subdivision?

Senator Larson: They are governmental entities, maybe that is a better category, because they are connected to the Historical Society here. I don't feel that this part of the Historical Society is getting funding. They are being forced by another government entity to get off their property.

10:05 Representative J. Nelson: I see this is a general fund appropriation, how is this the best interest of the people of the state of North Dakota?

Senator Larson: If the legislature had done their job in the first place they would have been allowed to stay and we wouldn't have had to do anything.

Representative J. Nelson: You referenced the Heritage Center, there was state money but there was also private money, and there was a stipulation on the cost share. This a direct grant without any expectations or stipulations?

Senator Larson: We are giving out money for all these other things, I think we can fork out money for this as well.

Chairman Delzer: Further questions by the committee?

14:00-19:45 David Leite, President of the Ward County Historical Society: (see attachment 1) We've spent 6 years litigating with the state fair trying to stay in a location that we have been in since 1951. We have 12 buildings in that location, 6 of them are over 100 years old. Last August we got the latest judge's ruling against us and we decided that we would move. In the dealings with the state fair we have to be out by the 15th June. If we don't accomplish this, we don't get the cash settlement and they take over all the buildings that are left there. That's the agreement with the state fair, signed legal document. We want to get our buildings off of there. A week ago we signed papers for some land that was donated to us by the nonprofit group DeSour Valley Economic Development Corporation. Also a board member has donated 100 thousand dollars for adjacent property that will make it easier to access that property that was donated. The EAPC has developed a design for the buildings and for the site plan and they are doing a new museum building design, they did that for no charge to us. We've received a number of in-kind donations; we've also been doing fund raising. We are finding that the in-kind donations are easier to find than the cash, we have raised over 95 thousand dollars. We believe a full recovery would be 2.1 million dollars, the senate voted on 450 thousand dollars of appropriation. We've gone through the numbers and we are still at 952 thousand dollars to get there and to get operational. We have a very short time to do this. We are looking forward to being able to do a lot more things in the new location.

19:45 Chairman Delzer: Have you gone to any bank?

Mr. Leite: There's no loans available for this, Town and Country Credit Union said they would back this appropriation for us because the money will be needed before we get it here.

Chairman Delzer: Why did you sign the June 15th agreement?

Mr. Leite: We had no choice, we would have ended up back in court.

20:20 Representative Meier: Is your intent to continue to fundraise for the upkeep of these buildings?

Mr. Leite: Yes.

Representative Beadle: Can you take us through your organizational structure?

Mr. Leite: We are a nonprofit organization, we have a board of directors, we are not a political entity, the Ward county gives us a grant every year, this year it was 40 thousand dollars. We are affiliated with the other museums in the state.

Representative Beadle: In terms of operating revenue, what sort of visitors are you getting?

Mr. Leite: We have about 6 thousand visitors in our location, we are not even on the map for the state fair.

Chairman Delzer: How many of those were there during the state fair?

Mr. Leite: About 2/3, our new location will have much better visibility.

Representative Beadle: And what is your annual operating revenue?

Mr. Leite: It's about 70 thousand dollars.

Chairman Delzer: Have you done any research? Has the state ever done any funding for this type of thing?

22:50 Representative Monson: If you don't get your funding here and you don't get your buildings moved what happens?

Mr. Leite: The state fair would take over whatever is left there. There is a contractor lined up for June 16th to level the ground.

Representative Monson: I have a hard time they would doze everything down. What is the plan they have for this land when you are moved?

Chairman Delzer: I believe they wanted to build a building out there.

24:30-26:30 Jeanine Kabanuk, Mayor of Burlington: (see attachment 1 page 6)

Representative Bellew: Has the city considered donating any money?

Mrs. Kabanuk: There isn't any money, the property and there is also specials attached that would be reviewed by the council to either eliminate or reduce.

Chairman Delzer: So there may be special tied to the land? How much?

Mrs. Kabanuk: Yes, and water and sewer. Almost 200 thousand dollars. We had a meeting last night and the council is considering some different options.

27:40-30:15 John Pietsch: (see attachment 2)

Representative Bellew: Currently in the Ward county budget they give the State Fair 500 thousand dollars a year, they don't even have to ask for that. Would it be appropriate for the county commission to just give that money to the historical society for the move?

Mr. Pietsch: I suggested it and was told it would start a riot.

Representative Bellew: I think that would be an appropriate, your budget comes up in the next couple of months and I think it should be suggested again.

Chairman Delzer: I believe you listed 40 thousand from Ward county, isn't that the normal amount?

Mr. Pietsch: That is the regular amount. There are other museums around that we donate to but this is the largest museum and could really need the help.

Chairman Delzer: Do you know the stipulations you give the state fair when you give them the money?

Mr. Pietsch: I don't know of any stipulations on the state fair.

Representative Nathe: Would the state fair budget show that they received the money and what they used the money for?

Chairman Delzer: I think that would just be between the state fair and Ward County.

Representative J. Nelson: The city of Minot, did you request any assistance from them before you came here?

35:50 Sheldon Albertson Vice President, Ward county historical society: We have approached the a number of people from the city of Minot, we haven't seen anything. They did try to find us land but everything they had was in the flood zone.

Chairman Delzer: Have they told you no?

Mr. Albertson: We came on this land when it was the county fair, we were given this section of land, two archers, we helped to raise the petitions to bring the state fair to Minot. We were the main group to help them do that and now we are being evicted by the state fair that is an entity of the state.

37:40-43:35 Dan Caswell, AIS Equipment, Inc. (see attachment1 page 5)

Representative Monson: Listening to the time frame I just don't think that even if we gave you the money you would be able to get the buildings moved.

Mr. Caswell: We did have this in front of the legislature about 4 years ago, we thought the legislature was the boss over the state fair. We wanted them to tell the state fair to let us stay there.

45:15 Representative Beadle: I am looking at the map and the new location, have you looked at the economic impact of this new site in terms of visitor traffic and everything else? Are you going to get visitors when you are moved away from the state fair?

Mr. Caswell: We have some groups that are working on business plans, advertising plans, promoting plans and everything like this and they feel that we should be able to sustain those numbers. We'll have a lot better location with two major highways and will be highly visible.

Representative J. Nelson: The 1.5 is in kind donation,

Mr. Caswell: The break down is on page 2 of attachment 1.

48:20 Representative Schobinger: You would be able to keep two building there, in the agreement did you give up that authority?

Mr. Caswell: We did give that right up. The judge gave settlement in August and the court gave us a deadline or we would be in contempt of court.

Chairman Delzer:

50:00 Claudia Berg, State Historical Society: We have worked with Ward county for many years and also helped them through the recovery of the flood. We are supporting their move and as a pass through of the bill we are willing to work with all that are concerned.

Chairman Delzer: Are you aware of anything we've done like this before?

Mrs. Berg: We helped with some recovery but I don't think it was a separate bill, we were able to do that within our budget.

Chairman Delzer: Any further testimony? Any opposition? Hearing none we will close this hearing.

2019 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Appropriations Committee Roughrider Room, State Capitol

SB 2146
3/14/2019
33758

- ☐ Subcommittee
☐ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Risa Bergquist

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

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1:10 Chairman Delzer: SB 2146 is the bill to help move the Pioneer Village off the state fairgrounds, came from senate with 450 thousand. I came before us a couple of years ago and the senate didn't get in the middle of it so it went to the courts. Courts decided in the state fair's favor.

Representative Schobinger: I feel that the committee didn't want to give 450 thousand without any stakes in there. I am proposing that the state does 150 thousand in general fund and the state fair does 100 thousand out of their operating budget. They had already offered 50 thousand so this will be matching up with the state. Also in that agreement is an agreement to move those by June 15th so I am proposing making the state appropriation and the 100 thousand from the operating of the state fair contingent on those buildings being moved. I may not make any friends with the state fair but to me having those moved and putting this behind them should be worth at least the 150 thousand. It will cost more to demolish or move them themselves and I would think they want the publicity of demolishing them.

Chairman Delzer: We also discussed Ward County and they didn't want to give them any money but they do give to the state fair. Should we tie the state's money to Ward county having to give a little bit too?

Representative Schobinger: I guess I didn't consider that, I figured since the state and the state fair are state entities I thought I would stay with those two.

Representative J. Nelson: I think we should leave that out for right now and let them figure out that 1/3 share between the county and maybe the city?

Chairman Delzer: Further questions on the amendment?

Representative Schobinger: Move the amendment

Representative J. Nelson: Second

Representative Vigesaa: If they have to move by the 15th of June we will need the emergency clause.

Chairman Delzer: They had testified that they had a bank that was willing to back it up if the state passed this.

7:00 Representative Mock: You said they could leave at least two buildings on the fairgrounds? Because the language says ALL buildings but if they are allowed to keep two buildings, would that make them in violation? Would they meet the requirements to get the appropriation?

Chairman Delzer: We should consider taking "All" out.

Representative Schobinger: Can I further amend to remove the word "ALL"

Representative J. Nelson: Second

Chairman Delzer: Anything further for this amendment?

Voice vote, All in favor, Motion Carries

Representative Schobinger: Do Pass as Amended

Representative Meier: Second

Chairman Delzer: Discussion on the motion for a Do Pass as Amended?

A Roll Call vote was taken. Yea: 13 Nay: 6 Absent: 2

Motion carries, Representative Schobinger will carry

Chairman Delzer: With that we will close this meeting.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 4, after the boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 4, after "**APPROPRIATION**" insert "- **TRANSFER**"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$150,000"

Page 1, line 6, after the comma insert "and from special funds that must be transferred by the state fair association from its operating fund to the state historical society, the sum of \$100,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary,"

Page 1, line 9, after the period insert "The funds appropriated in this section may be transferred and spent only upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2146 - State Historical Society - House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Pioneer village relocation		\$450,000	(\$200,000)	\$250,000
Total all funds	\$0	\$450,000	(\$200,000)	\$250,000
Less estimated income	0	0	100,000	100,000
General fund	\$0	\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of House Changes

	Reduces Funding to Relocate Pioneer Village ¹	Total House Changes
Pioneer village relocation	(\$200,000)	(\$200,000)
Total all funds	(\$200,000)	(\$200,000)
Less estimated income	100,000	100,000
General fund	(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment reduces the general fund appropriation for a grant to relocate the Pioneer Village from \$450,000 to \$150,000, provides for a transfer from the State Fair operating fund to the State Historical Society of \$100,000, and makes the transfer and appropriations contingent upon certification by the Director of the State Historical Society to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget that all Pioneer Village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds that are required to be removed to satisfy the court order have been removed by June 15, 2019.

Date: 3/14/2019
Roll Call Vote #: 1

**2019 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146**

House Appropriations Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: **19.0485.06002 and Take out " All of the buildings"**

Recommendation: ☒ Adopt Amendment
☐ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☐ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar
Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Rep resenative Schobinger Seconded By Representative J. Nelson

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Delzer					
Representative Kempenich					
Representative Anderson			Representative Schobinger		
Representative Beadle			Representative Vigesaa		
Representative Bellew					
Representative Brandenburg					
Representative Howe			Representative Boe		
Representative Kreidt			Representative Holman		
Representative Martinson			Representative Mock		
Representative Meier					
Representative Monson					
Representative Nathe					
Representative J. Nelson					
Representative Sanford					
Representative Schatz					
Representative Schmidt					

Total (Yes) _____ No _____

Absent _____

Floor Assignment _____

Voice Vote- Motion Carries

Date: 3/14/2019
Roll Call Vote #: 2

**2019 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES
BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146**

House Appropriations Committee

☐ Subcommittee

Amendment LC# or Description: _____

Recommendation: ☐ Adopt Amendment
☒ Do Pass ☐ Do Not Pass ☐ Without Committee Recommendation
☒ As Amended ☐ Rerefer to Appropriations
☐ Place on Consent Calendar
Other Actions: ☐ Reconsider ☐ _____

Motion Made By Representative Schobinger Seconded By Representative Meier

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Chairman Delzer	X				
Representative Kempenich	A				
Representative Anderson		X	Representative Schobinger	X	
Representative Beadle	X		Representative Vigesaa		X
Representative Bellew	X				
Representative Brandenburg	X				
Representative Howe	X		Representative Boe	A	
Representative Kreidt	X		Representative Holman	X	
Representative Martinson		X	Representative Mock	X	
Representative Meier	X				
Representative Monson		X			
Representative Nathe		X			
Representative J. Nelson	X				
Representative Sanford	X				
Representative Schatz	X				
Representative Schmidt		X			

Total (Yes) 13 No 6

Absent 2

Floor Assignment Representative Schobinger

Motion Carries

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2146, as reengrossed: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Delzer, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (13 YEAS, 6 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Reengrossed SB 2146 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 4, after the boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 4, after "**APPROPRIATION**" insert "- **TRANSFER**"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$150,000"

Page 1, line 6, after the comma insert "and from special funds that must be transferred by the state fair association from its operating fund to the state historical society, the sum of \$100,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary,"

Page 1, line 9, after the period insert "The funds appropriated in this section may be transferred and spent only upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2146 - State Historical Society - House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Pioneer village relocation		\$450,000	(\$200,000)	\$250,000
Total all funds	\$0	\$450,000	(\$200,000)	\$250,000
Less estimated income	0	0	100,000	100,000
General fund	\$0	\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of House Changes

	Reduces Funding to Relocate Pioneer Village ¹	Total House Changes
Pioneer village relocation	(\$200,000)	(\$200,000)
Total all funds	(\$200,000)	(\$200,000)
Less estimated income	100,000	100,000
General fund	(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment reduces the general fund appropriation for a grant to relocate the Pioneer Village from \$450,000 to \$150,000, provides for a transfer from the State Fair operating fund to the State Historical Society of \$100,000, and makes the transfer and appropriations contingent upon certification by the Director of the State Historical Society to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget that all Pioneer Village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds that are required to be removed to satisfy the court order have been removed by June 15, 2019.

2019 CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

SB 2146

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee

Red River Room, State Capitol

SB2146

4/10/2019

Job # 34681

☐ Subcommittee

☒ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Mary Jo Wocken

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A Bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

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Chairman Burckhard opened the conference committee on SB2146. Senators Burckhard, Anderson and Kannianen were in attendance. Representatives Schobinger, Meier, and Holman were not in attendance. We don't have a quorum and Representative Schobinger had mentioned to me that something came up in the House Appropriations that is requiring Schobinger, Meier, and Holman all to be there, so they were unable to attend this 10AM meeting. So we will just close this conference committee and get rescheduled for another hearing.

Chairman Burckhard then closed the conference committee on SB2146.

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee Red River Room, State Capitol

SB 2146
4/12/2019
Job #34713

☐ Subcommittee
☒ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Amy Crane

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

Att. #1

Chairman Burckhard: Called the hearing on SB 2146. All members were present. Can I start by proposing an amendment? I can talk about it. The amendment is 19.0485.06004 **(see attachment #1 for amendment)**. Went through the amendment. In the amendment it would suggest that there are outdoor monies. The sum of \$250,000.

Representative Meier: Can you give me a brief explanation of why you chose the outdoor heritage fund?

Chairman Burckhard: Good question. We were looking in every corner of the budget world for where we might get this funding, and so we stumbled upon the North Dakota Outdoor Heritage fund and it says that 'monies in the fund can be used for grants to state agencies, tribal governments, political subdivisions, and nonprofit organizations to conserve natural areas for recreation through the establishment and development of parks and other recreation areas'. And that's certainly what Pioneer Village is, it would qualify as a park and recreation area where they're moving the buildings from the state fair grounds to this development 7 miles west of Minot that's our thinking.

Representative Meier: Do you know how much money is in the Outdoor Heritage fund?

Chairman Burckhard: The thing I have in front of me would suggest \$30M or thereabouts.

Representative Schobinger: When I first introduced the amendment on this, I did so because, in the appropriations committee I got the feeling that when it was at \$450,000, there just wouldn't be a consensus. I brought this amendment at the time, to get it here. I think the path of least resistance is where we need to be on this, especially in the House. This could easily go the 73 votes we got initially, to the opposite because it's fairly unique.

Chairman Burckhard: And the amendment you're referring to is the \$250,000?

Representative Schobinger: No the one I did for \$150,000 out of the general fund and then \$100,000 out of the operating in the state fair, the bill as it currently is. I know there has been a couple of times where this Heritage fund has been brought up, and the feedback I've gotten on it is that there has been so many applications made for this money that have been really good projects that have been turned down that we will receive significant resistance appropriating directly out of this fund because of that past situation. So we can certainly visit with some folks about it, but I'm fairly certain the resistance is going to be strong and I worry that we're gonna put the whole thing at risk.

Senator Anderson: Our chairman here has had a little resistance here from efforts to appropriate directly out of the Heritage Fund from this committee as well. But I would like to hear what you think being from Minot, about the \$100,000 from the state fair fund. I know what Senator Burckhard thinks, but I'd like to hear what you think.

Representative Schobinger: When I put the amendment on, I had about three hours to do it. We were taking it up about 3:00 in the afternoon and I could see it was not going in the right direction. So the message I got from a lot of folks on appropriations on our side is that they wanted more buy in from the rest before they would support anything at all. So to take \$100,000 from the operating, I wish I had left operating out and let them do it however they want. But it seemed in other places whenever we'd do something like that, its usually the operating that is the most available or the place that you can take from, so that's the only reason you see operating in there. I know that the state fair gets a significant amount of funds from Ward county, so my thought process there was if they use some of that, maybe they could get this behind them. I think the state fair really just wants to get this behind them. The PR has not been good for either side. This is an issue where these are two entities that should never be in conflict with each other. They should actually be working together and this issue has kind of caused them to be in some conflict. I think once this is behind them, that conflict will be resolved. So hopefully we can come to some resolution here that helps them get it behind them.

Senator Anderson: How about feedback from the state fair board since your amendment?

Representative Schobinger: I was nervous about it of course because it was so quick, I had three hours to do it. We had a forum that following Saturday and the director of the state fair sat right behind me, and I got to visit with her after the forum, and she came up to me after and told me that when she first heard about it she didn't like it. But she had a chance to read it, and she said it's something they could live with, they're not excited that its coming out of our operating, but we like the wording that says they have to be off by June 15th. And that's where she said what we'd really want is for this thing to be behind us.

Chairman Burckhard: I might add to Representative Schobinger's thoughts, I think it's a slippery slope when we start telling agencies of the state, that they should spend money out of their operating fund. I know the state fair was fine with the \$50,000 cause that's what they offered. And I think there was never a doubt they could get off by June 15th, and they've already moved some buildings off this week. But I don't know if we should go there and suggest that they take another \$50,000 out of their operating fund or not, but I think that's to be debated somewhat. They do want to get it behind them, this has been a black eye for the

state fair association, and I think they do have plans for that land so uh, and I think the Pioneer Village will be much more viewed and more successful when it's in Burlington. I think they're gonna do a nice job promoting their small city seven miles west of Minot.

Representative Schobinger: I agree. My concern here is we bring something out that could pass both the House and the Senate. And my great fear here is I know the folks that tend to be against appropriating out of this Heritage Fund. The issues where they carry a lot of weight, this is one of them. And that's why I mentioned right away that those 73 votes could go exactly the opposite just by the folks that I know are worried about us appropriating out of there. That's my main concern. Not taking the money out, it might be an appropriate place for it, but given what I've heard in the past, and I'm not versed on the committee but it's my understanding that they've turned down some pretty worthy stuff through the application process which would put those folks that are kind of upset about some of that in a position of not supporting us appropriating directly out of that for something like this.

Senator Anderson: One of those bills that you saw about appropriating money out of the Outdoor Heritage fund was the habitat bill that I had my name on, you know, and the House members did a pretty good job of developing the Habitat bill, but it said Outdoor Heritage fund and your appropriations committee didn't like that at all. So I'm going to disagree with my Chairman and **Move to Accede to the House Amendments.**

Representative Meier: Seconded.

Senator Kannianen: Would it be at all advantageous to remove the operating phrase from the bill? If me not understanding the finances of the state fair, I mean when they receive county or state funds, I'm assuming they probably have private foundations or more like a private donation, so like if it didn't specify the operating funds, would there be \$50,000-100,000 from a different source, would that make it any more agreeable?

Chairman Burckhard: Line 7 says transferred by the state fair association from its scratch the operating fund part to the state historical society is that what you're suggesting?

Senator Kannianen: Yep so, transferred from the state fair association to the state historical society.

Representative Schobinger: I think he's got a good point. I wonder if we should check with LC to see if it actually makes a difference to pull that out. To see if they are able to pull it from somewhere else, like if a benefactor or something gives them \$100,000.

Representative Holman: Well a donor could put it in the operating funds too.

Chairman Burckhard: We had a motion do accede to the house amendments with a second, what did you want to do with that? Do we want to vote on that? Or do we want to consider the suggestion of Senator Kannianen?

Representative Meier: If we could just back up for one second to what we were discussing, out of the operating fund. I think the goal is to get this done right away so I don't know if we didn't take it out of the operating fund and we look for another source that might hold it up for

a little bit too. I do think to check into it a little bit is a really good idea because it was my understanding that we wanted to go forward with this as soon as possible? For them to move forward with relocating these buildings, I think the goal is by July?

Chairman Burckhard: June 15th. And that's not gonna be a problem, they'll be moved by then.

Senator Anderson: Well this money won't be available until July 1st anyway because there is no emergency clause on the bill.

Representative Schobinger: What they've told us is that they have a bank willing to make them a loan against moving this, contingent on this money being there so they'll borrow against it in order to make it happen.

Senator Anderson: We could check with the state fair association to see if that causes a problem but my guess is that they have the flexibility, they can move money from one fund to the other or as Representative Holman says they get a grant from somebody they could put it in their operating fund if they want to but like Senator Kannianen, I'm not familiar with their financial operation.

Chairman Burckhard: So we're saying that they're going to get the \$100,000, the other \$150,000 from the general fund of the state general fund? That was confirmed. Well I'm gonna vote against the motion. Any other discussion on the motion to accede to house amendments?

A Roll Call Vote Was Taken: 5 yeas, 1 nays, 0 absent.

Motion Carried.

Senator Anderson will carry the bill to the Senate. Representative Schobinger will carry the bill to the House.

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee Red River Room, State Capitol

SB 2146
4/17/2019
Job #34793

☐ Subcommittee
☒ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Amy Crane

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

Att. #1

Chairman Burckhard: Called the conference committee on SB 2146 to order. All members were present. You have an amendment before you that I passed out (**see attachment #1 for proposed amendments**). **I move we adopt the amendment.**

Senator Kannianen: Seconded.

Chairman Burckhard: Went through the amendment. I think in simpler terms; we're asking to get the money from the ending fund balance which appears to be fairly healthy rather than what we had asked. I don't know what we had asked previously, oh from the state fair \$100,000 and from the general fund \$150,000. So this all comes from the ending fund balance, and then North Dakota state fair will still be committed to the \$50,000 they had promised in the legal agreement that they would pay to the Pioneer Village when the buildings are removed if they are moved by June 15th. And it's my understanding that the buildings will be moved by that time.

Representative Schobinger: As you know, I am supportive all the way from the original bill \$2M, the \$450,000 that came from the Senate over to us and of course the amendment that I put on. I do think that we've got to do something here but I want to make sure that what we do has its best chance to pass. I know that in her speech, the good senator from my district said that part of the reason she didn't like our last committee report because she didn't want it coming from the general fund. Have we cleared that up? Do we run the potential to battle that again, because this is all general fund and when she rose to get rid of our last committee report she mentioned that she didn't like that it was coming from the general fund.

Chairman Burckhard: I believe she said that she didn't think it was appropriate for the legislature to saddle a state agency with a \$100,000 out of their budget. As the state fair generates all of their own operating income, and the only money they receive from the legislature is for premiums for the 4H kids, she thought that was inappropriate.

Representative Schobinger: She did mention that. But in the first part of her speech say she didn't think it was appropriate to use general funds for this. I just want to make sure that we don't run into that as an argument again. If you're confident we won't. The other thing is, I know we have a motion on this, when I take this to the floor, I want the product I take to the floor to go to a final vote. I'm good with this, I'm not sure the House will be. I'd like to visit with a few people on the appropriations committee, find out their thoughts and some others. I fear if we just take this up without visiting a few, we could lose it.

Chairman Burckhard: I guess I don't know if that should be part of the debate on this. It seems like you should take it to your chamber and advocate for it.

Representative Schobinger: Well we could adjourn the meeting so that we could have that time because, there are certain people I want to visit with, I mentioned the other day that me and another representative would be for this and I visited with him yesterday and he said he didn't support it, so it probably would've just been me. I would like to visit with some people to see if this is more palatable because I think I mentioned that what a lot of folks in the House wanted was some buy in from the parties involved, one of them being the state fair. We're removing the state fair buy-in in this amendment. I'd like to make sure this might be palatable because want this to have its best chance at passing, I don't want it to die and I fear that could happen.

Representative Meier: I visited with the bill's sponsor yesterday and Senator O. Larson had mentioned what came out of the House and what was proposed and he felt that all the parties concerned had worked together on a good compromise with this proposal and the \$150,000 coming from our funds and then working with the \$100,000 out of the operating budget out of the state fair. As Representative Schobinger feels that this would be the best route to go in the House.

Chairman Burckhard: And which route is that?

Representative Meier: The \$150,000 and then the \$100,000 coming out of the operating budget of the state fair. Because it's my understanding that all parties concerned had worked together on a good compromise to put this forward and I think that at least we have something, a vehicle to move forward to make this happen.

Chairman Burckhard: So you think we should take money out of a state agency's budget to do so? The \$100,000? That's what it says.

Representative Meier: Well we're proposing...

Chairman Burckhard: That was a previous amendment right. The amendment we're talking about is different.

Representative Meier: Right, I firmly believe that we should stick with the first proposal of what we had originally, and go that route rather than with the amendment that your proposed.

Chairman Burckhard: So the state fair and Pioneer Village were in a very emotional situation that became a legal situation. And it turns out that the courts found in favor of the state fair and to make this a more palatable deal, the state fair agreed to pay them \$50,000 if and only if the buildings are moved by June 15th. You're suggesting you should speak for them and they should spend \$100,000 to finalize this deal? I want to be clear on what you're saying.

Representative Meier: It's my understanding that this was an agreement, of what initially came out of the house, that was an agreement with the individuals involved so that's what I would favor.

Chairman Burckhard: And I would say that is incorrect. The state fair manager did not agree to the \$100,000 loan. And I've been on the phone with her a number of times.

Senator Kannianen: So just to clarify, if we could convince Representative Schobinger's senator of this, I mean this is what we had on the floor that was defeated on the floor just the conference committee report that was defeated. I mean if we could rally support for it, we could sure try it again but I guess that's why we're back here because the \$150,000 and the \$100,000 from the state fair was defeated on the floor so we had to come back.

Representative Schobinger: I'm not saying we can't go with this, all I'm saying is I'd like to have one more day to take this, rather than pass it out and then take it upstairs and say hey this is what we decided to do. I'd like to visit with a few people and say hey if this is what we bring up, we haven't voted it out yet, this has been proposed by the senate and ask them what they think. This to me would be the best option. Like I said I'm for it all the way up to the \$2M. I just want to make sure we don't lose something that doesn't deserve to be lost. I know we have a motion on the floor but if we could have a day, to run this by a few people that would be my preference.

Chairman Burckhard: I think as conferees we represent our chambers and I don't know if I agree we should wait another day to run it up the flag poles.

Senator Anderson: Well remember I tried to carry it to the floor and it got defeated. I agree with Representative Schobinger that if we want some money to go for the moving of this village we have to get the House to agree on that and I think that is a fair discussion to have here, so I don't see a problem with waiting another day. I think it would have a better chance in the house if we left it at \$150,000 and removed the \$100,000 from the fair. I know that cuts \$100,000 out of what they're going to get but I think that \$150,000 would move their buildings. It doesn't do much beyond that and it might be that, I'm not sure they'd be happy with that. If I were sitting on the House appropriations committee, and it came with the \$250,000 all out of the general fund, I'd probably vote no, so that's probably what's going to happen. If we're interested in having the whole thing killed I think that's the way to go, but if we want to actually get money for it, we should put in \$150,000.

Chairman Burckhard: \$50,000 is enough to move all the buildings from the state fairgrounds, this money was to move the buildings and give them a jump start on their new buildings in Burlington. The state fair is paying for the move. And there is no doubt that

everything will be moved by June 15th, they've already moved some and the bigger ones will come later.

Representative Schobinger: I'm gonna vote no just so I can have that conversation and I'll hope that the rest of my side does as well. The other representatives agreed with him.

Representative Holman: Moved to table

Senator Anderson: Seconded.

A voice vote was taken: motion carried.

Chairman Burckhard adjourned the meeting.

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee Red River Room, State Capitol

SB 2146
4/18/2019
Job #34840

☐ Subcommittee
☒ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Amy Crane

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A Bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to the state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

None.

Chairman Burckhard: Opened the meeting on SB 2146. All members were present. The last time we met we left an amendment on the table. How should we undo the amendment?

Senator Anderson: Move we further amend the amendment to \$150,000 instead of \$250,000.

Representative Meier: Second.

Representative Schobinger: I think we have to remove it from the table unless you've made mention of your intention to take it off the table.

Chairman Burckhard: Can we take it off the table with a voice vote? If its unanimous?

Representative Schobinger: Yeah if it's unanimous I think.

Chairman Burckhard: Okay do I have a motion for that? I'll move to remove it.

Senator Kannianen: Seconded.

A voice vote was taken: motion carried.

Representative Schobinger: I wonder if we should just remove the amendment and when we get the final, make it a clean amendment. A lot has happened in the past hour that I think we have some agreement and some buy in to a point where I think we can move forward on it.

Chairman Burckhard: I think that's a good idea.

Representative Schobinger: I think whoever made the original motions would just rescind their motions on that.

Senator Kannianen: I'll revoke my second.

Chairman Burckhard: I revoke my motion on the previous amendment.

Representative Schobinger: Should we talk about what this all entails?

Chairman Burckhard: Both Representative Schobinger and I have been in contact with the Renee who is the state fair manager. And she has been in contact with her attorney and they think and I'll read from the email message, 'I believe the best path forward would be for the North Dakota State fair association and the Ward county historical society to enter into an addendum into the agreement. All of the terms of the agreement would remain in effect except the amount, which would be increased by \$50,000 for a total of \$100,000. The contingencies of the payment would remain including the deadline for the Ward county historical society to vacate the fairgrounds by June 15th.' So that gets one monkey off of our back, and that's the buy in part right, that the House members have seemed very concerned about. So that amount becomes \$100,000 and I don't even know that that amount has to be in our final amended bill.

Representative Schobinger: I think that's what we're waiting on from Claire in Legislative Counsel just to see if we even need to include it or if we just need proof that they've amended their contract. Then to me it becomes a sellable item on the House floor that they've bought into that help from the state. That's been the House's hold up, is why should the state put in so much money for this when there isn't an equal share from the parties involved.

Chairman Burckhard: I'm also posing the question that should the \$150,000 from the state be from the general fund or the ending fund balance? It's all money from the state but I think the thought is if it comes from the ending fund balance it won't be like a red flag to the 172 other historical societies in the state so that doesn't look like the slippery slope we're creating, and then everybody should expect that. It would be less noticeable if it came from the ending fund balance which I think is pretty healthy. That ending amount is going to be \$65M but there is a lot of revenue that's come in and that would be done also by June 30th of this year. It would be out of this biennium's ending balance.

Representative Meier: I'm not sure if that's very common to take from the ending fund balance, I haven't seen that a whole lot. I would be in favor of that too then.

Chairman Burckhard: Senator Krebsbach and I met with the majority leader and he thought that would be the perfect place for it to come from. We don't have the amendment yet either. I'll visit with the guy who is scheduling the conferences.

Representative Schobinger: Let me just check again to make sure we don't have any pushback.

Representative Meier: I appreciate the work that has been done on this.

Representative Schobinger: This is a really good faith move by the state fair. They could've pushed back on it but they've been really helpful and impressive.

Chairman Burckhard: closed the hearing.

2019 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

Political Subdivisions Committee

Red River Room, State Capitol

SB2146
4/22/2019
Job #34876

☐ Subcommittee
☒ Conference Committee

Committee Clerk: Amy Crane

Explanation or reason for introduction of bill/resolution:

A Bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to state historical society for relocating pioneer village.

Minutes:

Att. #1

Chairman Burckhard: Called the meeting to order. All members were present. Introduced Kyler and Jayden Morgan, guests of Senator Anderson. I would start the meeting by having Representative Schobinger tell us what he's thinking with this amendment.

Representative Schobinger: For your consideration, take a look at .06008, (**see attachment #1 for proposed amendment**) the message we got from the Senate was that the main hang up was the appropriating out of the operating line of the state fair. So most of the back and forth has been how to eliminate that, and the idea came from the state fair, to make a change that I hope will work on both sides. And that is in a private agreement that they had through contract and I think Senator Burckhard knows this, they have already \$50,000 in contract that if they're moved, they'll provide \$50,000. The state fair has wondered if maybe instead of appropriating out of the operating line, if they do an addendum to that contract to increase it from \$50,000 to \$100,000 and then we do \$150,000 from the state and we make all that money contingent on the buildings that need to be removed by June 15th having been removed. So you'll notice on 008 that it keeps that language about those buildings required to be removed under contract and then on line 15 it says if the State Fair Association provides no less than \$100,000 to the Ward County Historical Society for matters related to the Pioneer Village. That's where we're trying to put the right language that tells everybody in the legislature that it doesn't reference the \$50,000 they already have so I plan to mention that on the floor that that's already under contract and that if the state money that comes and this will be written into their addendum, if for some reason this bill fails, that under contract it's still \$50,000. They're not just going to the \$100,000 what they're wanting to do is satisfy our need for the State Fair to have a little more buy in in this. So that's where we appreciate the efforts they've put into this and we will hopefully have an agreement and enable the Ward County Historical society and the State Fair Association to get this matter behind them.

Chairman Burckhard: To clarify, and I agree with you, on page 1 line 9, it says 'the funds appropriated in this section may be spent only' and then you have item 2 'if the State Fair Association provides no less than \$100,000 to the Ward County Historical Society for matters relating to the Pioneer Village'. I just wanted to make how it fits in with your amendments. Are you going to make a motion?

Representative Meier: Moved House Recede From House Amendments and Amend.

Representative Schobinger: Seconded.

A Roll Call Vote Was Taken: 6 yeas, 0 nays, 0 absent.

Motion Carried.

Chairman Burckhard will carry the bill to the Senate. Representative Schobinger will carry the bill to the House.

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

.That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1089 and 1090 of the Senate Journal and pages 1220 and 1221 of the House Journal and that Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 2146 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 4, after the first boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$150,000"

Page 1, line 9, after the period insert "The funds appropriated in this section may be spent only:

1. Upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019; and
2. If the state fair association provides no less than \$100,000 to the Ward County historical society for matters relating to the pioneer village."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2146 - State Historical Society - Conference Committee Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Pioneer village relocation		\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000	\$250,000	(\$100,000)
Total all funds	\$0	\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000	\$250,000	(\$100,000)
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	100,000	(100,000)
General fund	\$0	\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Adjusts Funding to Relocate Pioneer Village ¹	Total Conference Committee Changes
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Less estimated income	0	0
General fund	(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00

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the Office of Management and Budget that all Pioneer Village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds that are required to be removed to satisfy the court order have been removed by June 15, 2019, the same as the House version. The Conference Committee added a provision that the State Fair must provide at least \$100,000 to the Ward County Historical Society relating to the Pioneer Village.

Date: 4/12/19
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2019 SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB2146 as (re) engrossed

Senate "Enter committee name" Committee

- Action Taken ☒ SENATE accede to House Amendments
☐ SENATE accede to House Amendments and further amend
☐ HOUSE recede from House amendments
☐ HOUSE recede from House amendments and amend as follows

☐ Unable to agree, recommends that the committee be discharged and a new committee be appointed

Motion Made by: Anderson Seconded by: Meier

Senators	4/10	4/12		Yes	No	Representatives	4/10	4/12		Yes	No
Senator Burckhard	X	X			X	Representative Schobinger	-	X		X	
Senator Anderson	X	X		X		Representative Meier	-	X		X	
Senator Kannianen	X	X		X		Representative Holman	-	X		X	
Total Senate Vote						Total Rep. Vote					

Vote Count Yes: 5 No: 1 Absent: 0

Senate Carrier Anderson House Carrier Schobinger

LC Number . of amendment

LC Number . of engrossment

Emergency clause added or deleted

Statement of purpose of amendment

Date: 4/17
Roll Call Vote #: 1

**2019 SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES**

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146 as (re) engrossed

Senate SB 2146 Committee

Action Taken ☒ Table the vote

Motion Made by: Holman Seconded by: Anderson

Senators				Yes	No	Representatives				Yes	No
Burckhard	voice vote					Schobinger	Motion Carried				
Anderson						Meier					
Kannianen						Holman					
Total Senate Vote						Total Rep. Vote					

Vote Count Yes: _____ No: _____ Absent: _____

Senate Carrier _____ House Carrier _____

LC Number _____ of amendment

LC Number _____ of engrossment

Emergency clause added or deleted

Statement of purpose of amendment

Date: 4/18
Roll Call Vote #: 1

**2019 SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES**

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146 as (re) engrossed

Senate SB 2146 Committee

Action Taken

☒ **Motion to take motion off of the table**

Motion Made by: Burckhard Seconded by: Kannianen

Senators				Yes	No	Representatives				Yes	No
Burckhard						Schobinger					
Anderson						Meier					
Kannianen						Holman					
Total Senate Vote						Total Rep. Vote					

Vote Count Yes: _____ No: _____ Absent: _____

Senate Carrier _____ House Carrier _____

LC Number _____ of amendment

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Emergency clause added or deleted

Statement of purpose of amendment

*Motion Withdrawn
after vote*

Date: 4/22
Roll Call Vote #: 1

**2019 SENATE CONFERENCE COMMITTEE
ROLL CALL VOTES**

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2146 as (re) engrossed

Senate SB 2146 Committee

- Action Taken**
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Motion Made by: Meier Seconded by: Schobinger

Senators	4/17	4/18	4/22	Yes	No	Representatives	4/17	4/18	4/22	Yes	No
Burckhard	X	X	X	X		Schobinger	X	X	X	X	
Anderson	X	X	X	X		Meier	X	X	X	X	
Kannianen	X	X	X	X		Holman	X	X	X	X	
Total Senate Vote				3		Total Rep. Vote				3	

Vote Count Yes: 6 No: 0 Absent: 0

Senate Carrier Burckhard House Carrier Schobinger

LC Number 19.0485 . 06008 of amendment

LC Number 19.0485 . 08000 of engrossment

Emergency clause added or deleted

Statement of purpose of amendment

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

SB 2146, as reengrossed: Your conference committee (Sens. Burckhard, Anderson, Kannianen and Reps. Schobinger, Meier, Holman) recommends that the **SENATE ACCEDE** to the House amendments as printed on SJ pages 1089-1090 and place SB 2146 on the Seventh order.

Reengrossed SB 2146 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

Insert LC: 19.0485.06008
Senate Carrier: Burckhard
House Carrier: Schobinger

REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

SB 2146, as reengrossed: Your conference committee (Sens. Burckhard, Anderson, Kannianen and Reps. Schobinger, Meier, Holman) recommends that the **HOUSE RECEDE** from the House amendments as printed on SJ pages 1089-1090, adopt amendments as follows, and place SB 2146 on the Seventh order:

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1089 and 1090 of the Senate Journal and pages 1220 and 1221 of the House Journal and that Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 2146 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 4, after the first boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$150,000"

Page 1, line 9, after the period insert "The funds appropriated in this section may be spent only:

1. Upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019; and
2. If the state fair association provides no less than \$100,000 to the Ward County historical society for matters relating to the pioneer village."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2146 - State Historical Society - Conference Committee Action

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Senate Carrier: Burckhard
House Carrier: Schobinger

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Reengrossed SB 2146 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

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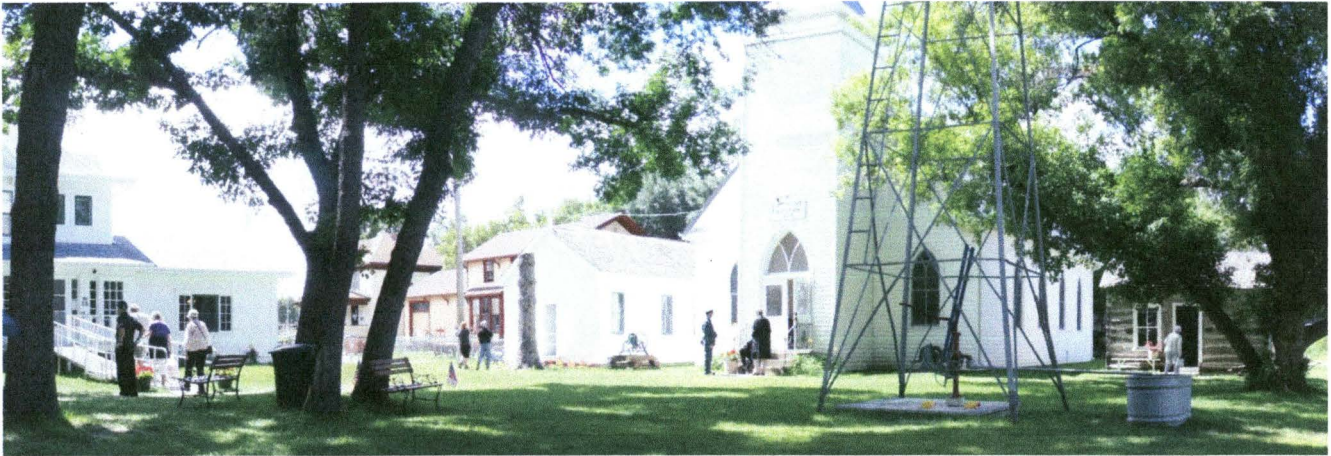
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Help Save the Pioneer Village Historical Museum

Since our inception in 1951, the Ward County Historical Society has helped to maintain and preserve the history of Ward County and the region. Currently located on the North Dakota State Fairgrounds, we have launched a fundraising campaign to move our Pioneer Village Historical Museum to the nearby town of Burlington. The new location, adjacent to Hwy 2 and 52, will give us the opportunity to enhance and expand our operation and to better serve the people of Ward County. The DeSour Valley EDC is making this new location possible and we are eternally grateful to them.

The people and businesses of Ward County have already begun to show their support with money, equipment and labor donations to this project. We have a location but still have long way to go with preparing infrastructure, moving twelve buildings and their contents and finally completing the landscaping. Difficult yes, but we feel the end result will be well worth it. The people of Ward County have entrusted us with their history: antiques and family heirlooms from buildings to military uniforms, household items, vehicles, farm machinery and much more. We take our mission to preserve and interpret those items and their history seriously, and feel that this is the best way to continue and expand that mission into the future.

In our future plans, we would like to construct a new Welcome Center with Gift Shop and disability accessible restrooms. In this building we would also house our research library, antique automobiles, military collection and medical history exhibit.

We are looking for individuals or businesses that wish to sponsor an entire building, smaller project or make a general donation large or small that will help us with the relocation. We also are looking for volunteers to help with donations of their time and equipment. Donations can be made through the "Pioneer Village Relocation Campaign" at Town and Country Credit Union, 615 South Broadway, Minot, ND 58701 or directly to the Ward County Historical Society at PO Box 994 Minot ND 58702. **Remember, donations are tax deductible as we are a 501(c) (3) Organization**

For more information on the Pioneer Village Historical Museum and the Ward County Historical Society, please visit www.wardcountyhistoricalsociety.com

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Chairman Burckhard, members of the Committee

I am David Leite from Minot. I am the President of the Ward County Historical Society and I speak in favor of Senate Bill 2146

Since our inception in 1951, the Ward County Historical Society has helped to maintain and preserve the history of Ward County and the surrounding region by operating a museum composed of 11 historic buildings and a building for our car museum. All of these buildings contain the heirlooms and antiques of hundreds of residents of the area that have been entrusted to our care. The artifacts are displayed in the buildings, as they would have been found in generations past. The buildings include a country church, a one-room schoolhouse, two houses, a cabin, a blacksmith shop, a cook car, a general store, a post office and Ward County's first courthouse.

Six years ago the North Dakota State Fair began litigation to remove the Museum with its buildings from the location we had occupied since 1966. Last August, after the latest judge's ruling was against us and despite the option of continuing to litigate, the Society made the decision to move in a more positive direction: to move our whole operation to a new location.

The response was amazing; we had five different offers of free land to choose from. The best location was determined to be at Burlington and we will be finalizing that offer at the end of this month.

Last fall we began a fund raising campaign to get the necessary money to make the move possible. The new area is an open field and everything must be built, roads, parking areas, foundations, sidewalks etc. We are getting good support from the community but have raised only \$45,000 to date. Unfortunately, we are in competition with other major fund raising projects that were started before us and have beat us to some large grants and business donations.

If we had a couple of years in which to raise the money, it might be possible, but time is of the essence. This past Monday, we signed the final legal papers with the State Fair ending all further litigation. The requirements of the agreement mean we have to vacate all buildings from the Fair grounds by June 15 of this year. If we accomplish this, they will give us a cash settlement of \$50,000. Any later and there is no cash settlement and we are in violation of the contract. The worst-case scenario is we don't meet the deadline, the State Fair takes possession of any buildings left on the property and they can then either sell or destroy them.

This scenario, in our opinion, is not an option. Our organization will continue to solicit funds from businesses and the public, to have fund raising events and to seek out grant funding. We are continuing to be positive and hopeful and now we find ourselves before this committee today.

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When Senator Larsen came to us with the possibility of help from the Legislature we were elated. At that time, the rough estimates to become established in a new location, came to about \$2 million dollars. Since then we have a location to move to and more accurate estimates with a total estimated need of \$1.6 million, which is broken down on the attached spreadsheet. Many of the contractors are sympathetic to our cause and willing to give us considerable price breaks. The item that stands out is the replacement of our Car Museum building, which was build in 1966 and is in too poor of shape to move to Burlington. Our plan is to replace the building with a disability accessible visitor center, which would house our military exhibits, in addition to the antique cars.

I thank the committee for its time and we hope that the committee will understand the importance and timeliness of our need and support this Bill.

Thank you Mr. Chairman and Committee members

Thank you to sponsors Senator Larsen, Senator Piepkorn, Representative Meir and Representative Rohr

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ESTIMATES to RELOCATE PIONEER VILLAGE BUILDINGS to BURLINGTON Ward County Historical Society

MOVING BUILDINGS		Huey House Movers		225,000
FLAT CONCRETE WORK		Macs Concrete		120,000
BASEMENTS/FOUNDATIONS		L&P Construction		145,000
RURAL WATER HOOKUP		North Prairie Rural Water		15,000
PHONE/INTERNET/ALARMS		Souris River Telecom		3,500
ELECTRICAL SERVICE		Verendrye Rural Electric CoOp		9,000
NATURAL GAS HOOKUP		Montana Dakota Utilities		15,000
PLUMBING		Hussey Plumbing		28,000
ELECTRICAL		Weishar Electric		42,000
HEATING AND AIR		AAA Heating and Air		8,500
DIRT WORK/PARKING/TRENCHING		Davidson Construction		157,000
ACCESS ROAD		Keller Paving		180,000
SECURITY GATE/FENCING		Estimate		48,000
LANDSCAPING/TREES/GRASS		Estimate		20,000
SIGNING		Estimate		4,500
BUILDING MOVING DAMAGE RESTORATION/REPAIRS				
		Estimate		75,000
GEN CONTRACTOR WORK COORDINATOR	Estimate	6 MONTHS 1/2 time		30,000
SITE PLANNING AND SURVEYING		Ackerman Estvold		8,500
REPLACEMENT OF CAR MUSEUM BUILDING	Estimate			468,000
		TOTAL ESTIMATED RELOCATION COSTS		\$1,602,000

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PROPOSED AMENDMENT TO SENATE BILL 2146

Page 1, line 1, after "for" insert "a grant to the Ward County Historical Society for the purpose of"

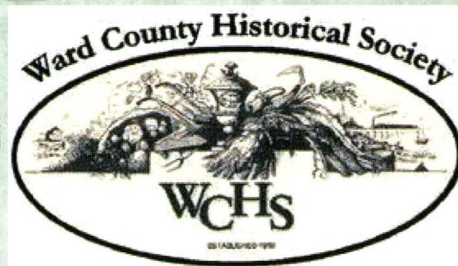
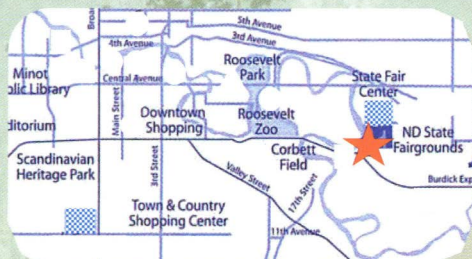
Page 1, line 6, after "society" insert "to be granted directly to the Ward County Historical Society,"

Renumber accordingly



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In the Car Museum at Pioneer Village!
Rotating antique transportation
exhibits are being sponsored by the
Magic City Antique Car Club.



Ward County Historical Society
2005 Burdick Expressway East
(Near the State Fair Grounds)

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PIONEER VILLAGE MUSEUM



HOURS TUES - SAT 12-5

**Come Explore Ward
County's Historical Past**

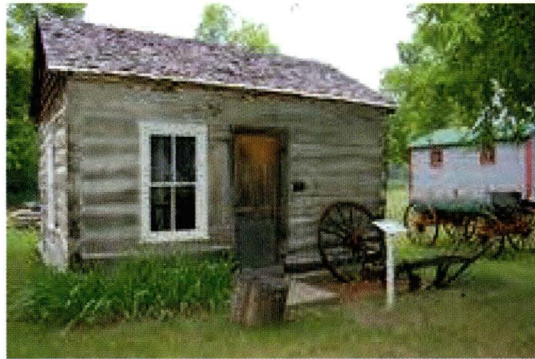
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Our Pride & Joy The Samuelson House



The Samuelson House was built around 1920 by Mr. Melos. Then the house was purchased by John Samuelson in 1922. In 1970 he donated the house to Pioneer Village. Thanks again!

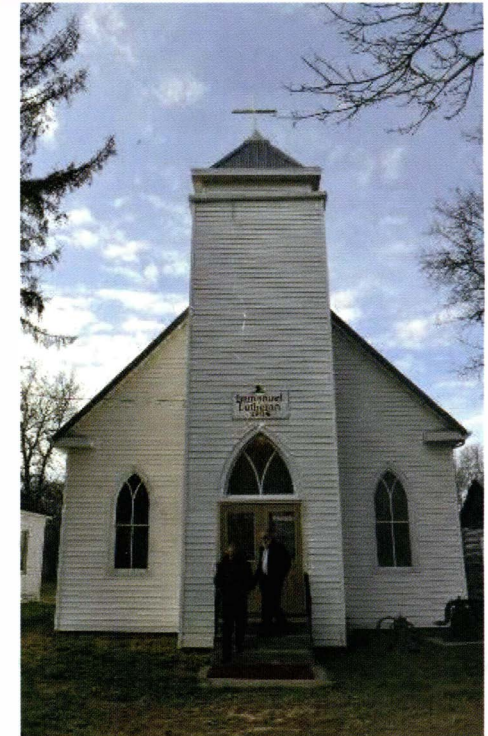
Ward County Historical Society, Our Pioneer Village



Sundre Cabin

Was built in 1891 by Ole & Guri Sundre of Ward County. The Mostad family (relatives) donated the cabin to Pioneer Village around 1982. We have enjoyed it ever since!

The 2011 flood is history and all the buildings have been restored. The WCHS would like to thank everyone who has volunteered and worked so diligently to bring the WCHS grounds back to even better than it was before. A special Thank you to all who have become members of the Society or have donated funds to help us with our restoration projects!



The Ward County Historical Society is just one of the keepers of our past and heritage, any antiques or heirloom items donated are tax deductible!

Come use the Ward County Historical grounds for a different and exciting location for family reunions, anniversaries, weddings, company picnics and other special occasions! Facilities rentals are available, one building or the entire complex...

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Future location of Pioneer Village Museum
at Harvest Heights, Burlington.

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Mr. Chairman, members of the Committee.

I am David Leite from Minot. I am the President of the Ward County Historical Society, and I speak in favor of Senate Bill 2146

We testify before you today because we are in great need. Six years ago the North Dakota State Fair began litigation to remove the Museum with its buildings from the location we had occupied since 1966. Last August, after the latest judge's ruling was against us, and despite the option of continuing to litigate, the Society made the decision to move in a more positive direction: to move our whole operation to a new location.

We now have secured a location at Burlington. The non-profit, DeSour Valley Economic Development Corporation has purchased a \$1.5 million property they are donating to the Ward County Historical Society.

We are in the middle of a fundraising campaign, which has raised \$45,000 of the Estimated \$2.16 million currently estimated to reestablish our Museum complex at the new location. If we had a couple of years in which to raise the money, it might be possible, but time is of the essence. The requirements of the agreement with the State Fair mean we have to remove all buildings by June 15 of this year. If we accomplish this, they will give us a cash settlement of \$50,000. Any later and there is no cash settlement, and we are in violation of the contract. The worst-case scenario is we don't meet the deadline, the State Fair takes possession of any buildings left on the property, and they can then either sell or destroy them.

This scenario, in our opinion, is not an option. Our organization will continue to solicit funds from businesses and the public, to have fund raising events and to seek out grant funding. The Pioneer Village Museum is a great tourism draw to central North Dakota, and will continue to grow and be a great asset at Burlington, as we continue our mission. We will no longer be hidden at the back of the fairgrounds next to a locked entrance gate. Our future looks much brighter, as we move ahead and ask for your support in this endeavor.

ESTIMATES to RELOCATE PIONEER VILLAGE BUILDINGS to BURLINGTON

Ward County Historical Society

MOVING BUILDINGS	Huey House Movers	225,000
FLAT CONCRETE WORK	Macs Concrete	150,000
SIDEWALKS	Macs Concrete	22,500
BASEMENTS/FOUNDATIONS	L&P Construction	145,000
RURAL WATER HOOKUP	North Prairie Rural Water	2,000
PHONE/INTERNET/ALARMS	Souris River Telecom	3,500
ELECTRICAL SERVICE	Verendrye Rural Electric CoOp	7,500
NATURAL GAS HOOKUP	Montana Dakota Utilities	15,000
PLUMBING	Hussey Plumbing	28,000
ELECTRICAL	Burlington Electric	49,900
HEATING AND AIR	AAA Heating and Air	16,600
WATER AND SEWER LINES	Davidson Construction	95,000
DIRT WORK/PARKING/TRENCHING	Davidson Construction	157,000
ACCESS ROAD	Keller Paving	292,400
SECURITY GATE/FENCING	Security Fencing	32,000
LANDSCAPING/TREES/GRASS	Estimate	20,000
SIGNING	Indigo Signs	57,000
BUILDING MOVING DAMAGE RESTORATION/REPAIRS		
	Estimate	75,000
GEN CONTRACTOR WORK COORDINATOR	Estimate	30,000
REPLACEMENT OF CAR MUSEUM BUILDING	Estimate	743,291
LOST REVENUE DUE TO CLOSURE	Based on previous years	18000
	TOTAL ESTIMATED RELOCATION COSTS	\$2,184,691
IN-KIND DONATIONS and FUNDRAISING	Burlington Property	
	DeSour Valley EDC	\$1,500,000
	Ward County grant	\$40,000
	EAPC Architects	\$12,000
	Relocation Campaign	\$45,000
	State Fair if off by June 15 only	\$50,000
	TOTAL I-KIND DONATIONS	\$1,647,000
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Good Morning everyone; and thank you all for allowing me the time to visit with you about our Museum move.

My name is Dan Caswell. I owned and operated AIS Equipment, Inc. a forklift dealer covering all of ND from 1981 until 2012. I am a lifetime member of Dakota Cruisers car club, President of the Magic City Antique car club; Lifetime Member, Board member and Relocation Chairman of the Ward County Historical Society, all of Minot, ND. The Ward County Historical Society allowed the Magic City Antique Car Club to resurrect, refurbish and turn a disastrously flooded building into a car Museum. This building is not conducive in any way, shape or form for the purpose we are using it for; but it was all we had. The building is also deemed to cost more to move and refurbish than it is to build a new one to suit our needs. For this reason, a new Disability Equipped Visitor Center with Car Museum, Gift Shop and other displays are the second priority on our moving list; after the existing buildings are situated. Our Car Museum has had great reviews from all the people that attend it; during the NDSF we have probably 5 or 6,000 people come through. We have had exhibits ranging from the Horse Drawn era up through the 1950's in transportation. Our latest and newest item exhibit was antique snowmobiles last summer.

With our forced move off the NDSF, we have the huge problem of relocating and salvaging all our antiques, artifacts, and buildings. We also have the opportunity to turn the Museum into a World Class Destination Area for tourists and local people. We will now be able to host more and much larger events. One possibility of the move is National Car Clubs. These draw around 3,000 cars each year; 1500 show cars and 1500 spectators. These shows usually last 3 to 5 days and would be a great boost to the general tourism income of ND.

We would like to, in the future, add other buildings such as a Theatre, Tavern for Ice Cream and Malt Shop, Flea Market, Antique Mall, antique gas station, barn (I have my eye on a nice one already), granary, sod hut – the list can go on and on.

Besides the Car Shows we can now host a stopping spot for snowmobile, car, motorcycle, etc. poker type runs and cruises. We could also have an outdoor amphitheater, have truck car tractor snowmobile motorcycle shows, and local artist displays. There is no limit to what we can do, and our move to Burlington is being supported tremendously by the City of Burlington. The help and enthusiasm we have received from Burlington is outstanding to say the least; besides the fact of them donating a very nice plot of land.

In closing; I must say that of all the people and entities I have worked with, WCHS ranks pretty much number one in enthusiasm, energy, and foresight. They took buildings and artifacts that were almost demolished by the 2011 flood, spent over a Million dollars and about as many volunteer hours and brought it to an amazing visitor haven.

Thank you for your time.

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Jeanine Kabanuk

Mayor,

City of Burlington

My name is Jeanine Kabanuk and I am the Mayor for the City of Burlington, the original county seat. I am in support of SB 2146.

Our community is welcoming with open arms the Pioneer Village Historical Society, aka, Ward County Historical Society. Many Burlington entities are involved in this endeavor and are hoping the great State of North Dakota is too. The land that the Village will be moving onto has been donated to them which is a huge donation to them and a sign of welcoming!

The Pioneer Village runs on volunteers and monetary donations from visitors viewing the historical buildings and artifacts. They do get some funds from Ward County in the form of a grant, these funds are not always guaranteed and are very welcomed.

Without going into specifics, the Pioneer Village, with circumstances beyond their control, is being evicted from the place where they have known as home for many years. The cost to move this museum is way over their annual revenue and they are in need of funds to help with the move. The ND State Fairgrounds, where the museum is presently located, is demanding that they move by June 15, 2019 and we all know this is a very time sensitive demand (our ND weather could be a huge damper on this endeavor).

These funds would be a win – win for all involved. The Pioneer Village will be able to continue the great work that they do to carry on the history of our county and surrounding areas. Along with a more visual location that will attract so much more visitors and bring the county seat (building anyway) back to our community. The State will present good-faith efforts to help preserve all the past and present members of the Society for all the work that they have done. – and the NDSF will have their empty spot which they want.

Please consider passing this bill for the \$2 million. The citizens of our great state have supported the museum while visiting the NDSF and will support it at the new location.

Thank you.

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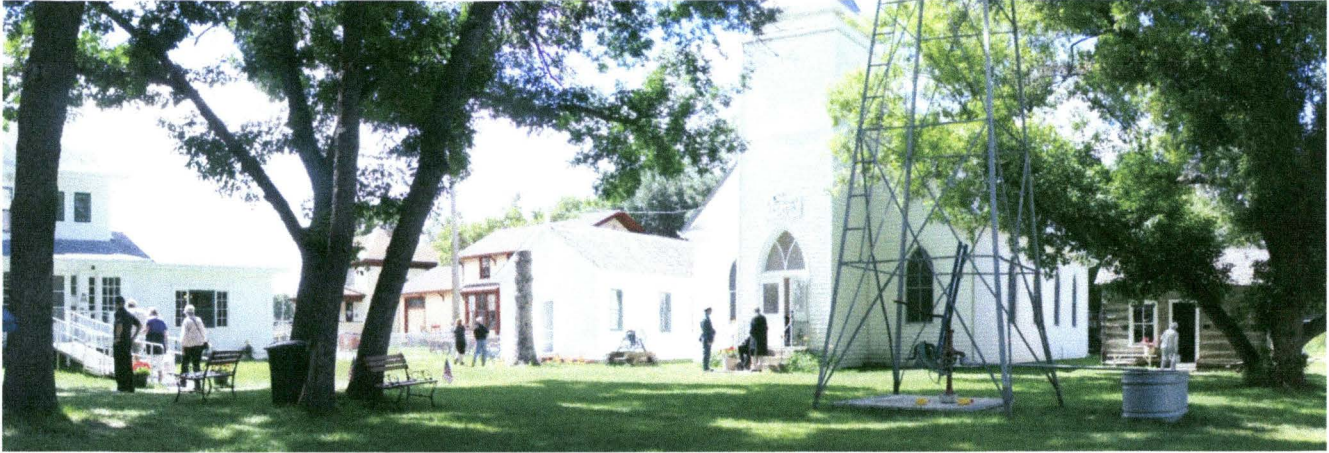
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NATURAL GAS HOOKUP	Montana Dakota Utilities	15,000
PLUMBING	Hussey Plumbing	28,000
ELECTRICAL	Burlington Electric	49,900
HEATING AND AIR	AAA Heating and Air	16,600
WATER AND SEWER LINES	Beeter Brothers Const.	95,000
BUILDING MOVING DAMAGE RESTORATION/REPAIRS		75,000
GEN CONTRACTOR WORK COORDINATOR	Estimate	30,000
	MINIMUM RELOCATION COSTS	\$952,500
SIDEWALKS	Macs Concrete	22,500
SECURITY GATE/FENCING	Security Fencing	32,000
LANDSCAPING/TREES/GRASS	Estimate	20,000
SIGNING	Indigo Signs	57,000
PARKING PAVING	Keller Paving	292,400
REPLACEMENT OF CAR MUSEUM BUILDING	Estimate for basic structure	743,291
LOST REVENUE DUE TO CLOSURE	Based on previous years	18000
	COMPLETE RECOVERY OF OPERATIONS	\$2,137,691
IN-KIND DONATIONS and FUNDRAISING	Burlington Property	
	DeSour Valley EDC	\$1,500,000
	Dan Caswell Property Purchase	\$100,000
	EAPC Architects Site Planning	\$12,000
	Ward County grant	\$40,000
	Relocation Campaign	\$45,000
	State Fair if moved by June 15 only	\$50,000
	TOTAL I-KIND DONATIONS	\$1,747,000
Updated 3-5-19		



Help Save the Pioneer Village Historical Museum

Since our inception in 1951, the Ward County Historical Society has helped to maintain and preserve the history of Ward County and the region. Currently located on the North Dakota State Fairgrounds, we have launched a fundraising campaign to move our Pioneer Village Historical Museum to the nearby town of Burlington. The new location, adjacent to Hwy 2 and 52, will give us the opportunity to enhance and expand our operation and to better serve the people of Ward County. The DeSour Valley EDC is making this new location possible and we are eternally grateful to them.

The people and businesses of Ward County have already begun to show their support with money, equipment and labor donations to this project. We have a location but still have long way to go with preparing infrastructure, moving twelve buildings and their contents and finally completing the landscaping. Difficult yes, but we feel the end result will be well worth it. The people of Ward County have entrusted us with their history: antiques and family heirlooms from buildings to military uniforms, household items, vehicles, farm machinery and much more. We take our mission to preserve and interpret those items and their history seriously, and feel that this is the best way to continue and expand that mission into the future.

In our future plans, we would like to construct a new Welcome Center with Gift Shop and disability accessible restrooms. In this building we would also house our research library, antique automobiles, military collection and medical history exhibit.

The Society is looking for individuals and businesses with donations of money, time and equipment. For more information, please visit our website at wardcountyhistoricalsociety.com, on Facebook @WardCountyHistoricalSociety, or call the Historical Society at 701-839-0785. Donations can be made through the "Pioneer Village Relocation Campaign" at Town and Country Credit Union, 615 South Broadway, Minot, ND 58701 or directly to the Ward County Historical Society at PO Box 994 Minot ND 58702. Donations are tax deductible as we are a 501(c) (3) Organization.



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Mr. Chairman, members of the Committee, honored guests

I am David Leite from Minot. I am the President of the Ward County Historical Society, and I speak in favor of Senate Bill 2146

We testify before you today because we are in great need. Six years ago the North Dakota State Fair began litigation to remove the Museum with 12 buildings from the location we had occupied since 1961. Last August, after the latest judge's ruling was against us, and despite the option of continuing to litigate, the Society made the decision to move in a more positive direction: to move our whole operation to a new location.

One week ago, we secured ownership of property adjacent to highway 2 & 52 at Burlington. The non-profit, DeSour Valley Economic Development Corporation has donated this property valued at \$1.5 million to the Ward County Historical Society. In addition, our own board member Dan Caswell has donated \$100,000 for an adjacent property, which will facilitate site access and decrease utility installation costs. The Architectural firm EAPC has created a site design and has begun designing a new Museum Building for us at no charge. Hundreds of people have come out in support of the move and are helping in any way they can. We are getting donations of time and equipment but unfortunately little in the way of money. We currently have \$95,000 raised towards our move, which includes a grant of \$40,000 from Ward county.

We have determined that full recovery of the Pioneer Village Museum will take approximately 2.1 million dollars. Since the North Dakota State Senate has approved an appropriation of \$450,000 to this endeavor we relooked at our figures and have separated items such as sidewalks, fencing, paving and the replacement of the car museum that we are unable to move. Even without these still needed items, the minimum relocation estimate is still \$952,000. If we had a couple of years in which to raise the money, it might be possible, but time is of the essence. The agreement with the State Fair requires that we remove all buildings by June 15 of this year. If we accomplish this, they will give us a cash settlement of \$50,000. Any later and there is no cash settlement and the State Fair takes possession of any buildings left on the property.

This scenario, in our opinion, is not an option. Our organization will continue to solicit funds from businesses and the public, to have fund raising events and to seek out grants. The Pioneer Village Museum is a great tourism draw to central North Dakota, and will continue to grow and be a great asset at Burlington, as we continue our mission. Our future looks much brighter, as we move ahead with our mission to preserve and interpret the history of North Dakota and we ask for your support in this endeavor.

Good Morning everyone and thank you all for allowing me the time to visit with you about our Museum move.

My name is Dan Caswell. I owned and operated AIS Equipment, Inc., a forklift dealer covering all of ND from 1981 until 2012. I am a lifetime member of Dakota Cruisers car club, President of the Magic City Antique car club, and Lifetime Member, Board member and Relocation Chairman of the Ward County Historical Society.

The Ward County Historical Society allowed the Magic City Antique Car Club to resurrect, refurbish and turn a disastrously flooded storage building and several very valuable antique cars into an automotive Museum. This building is not conducive in any way, for the purpose for which we are using it, but it was all we had. The building is deemed to cost more to move and refurbish than it is to build a new one to suit our needs. For this reason, a new disability accessible Visitor Center with car museum, gift shop and displays is the second priority on our moving list, after the existing buildings are situated. Our Automotive Museum has had great reviews from all the people that attend it. During the NDSF we have over 6,000 people come through. We have had transportation exhibits ranging from the Horse Drawn era up through the 1950's. Our latest and newest item exhibit was antique snowmobiles during last summer.

With the move of our Museum buildings to Burlington, we have the opportunity to turn them into a world-class destination area for tourists and local people. We will now be able to host more and much larger events. One possibility of the move is national car club rallies. These draw around 3,000 cars each year; 1500 show cars and 1500 spectator cars. These show usually last 3 to 5 days and would be a great boost to tourism in ND.

Besides the car shows we can host a stopping spot for snowmobile, car and motorcycle poker runs and cruises. We could have an outdoor amphitheater, have truck car tractor snowmobile motorcycle shows, and local artist displays. We would like to add other buildings such as a theatre, tavern, malt shop, flea market, antique mall, antique gas station, barn, granary, sod hut – the list can go on and on. There is no limit to what we can do.

Our move is being greatly supported by the City of Burlington and its residents. The help and enthusiasm we have received from them is outstanding to say the least. Besides the fact of them donating a very nice plot of land.

This entire move is extremely expensive and the Ward County Historical Society is extremely diligent in getting volunteers, and contractors that will work with reduced rates to help. Even with the donations of individuals labor and contractors the cost of relocating our existing buildings will be around \$2.25 Million. As we go along we realize we never thought of things such as fire hydrants, handicap parking only signs, etc. There will be many other items that will be needed that we have not thought of. This is the moving of an entire "Village", a feat that is daunting for everyone. Moving it in a short time frame also creates additional hardships.

In closing, I must say that of all the people and entities I have worked with over the years, WCHS ranks pretty much number one in enthusiasm, energy, and foresight. They took buildings and artifacts that were almost demolished by the 2011 flood, spent over a Million dollars and about as many volunteer hours, and brought it to an amazing visitor haven. We ask for your support and thank you for your time.

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Jeanine Kabanuk

Mayor,

City of Burlington

My name is Jeanine Kabanuk and I am the Mayor for the City of Burlington, the original county seat. I am in support of SB 2146.

Our community is welcoming with open arms the Pioneer Village Historical Society, aka, Ward County Historical Society. Many Burlington entities are involved in this endeavor and are hoping the great State of North Dakota is too. The land that the Village will be moving onto has been donated to them which is a huge donation to them and a sign of welcoming!

The Pioneer Village runs on volunteers and monetary donations from visitors viewing the historical buildings and artifacts. They do get some funds from Ward County in the form of a grant, these funds are not always guaranteed and are very welcomed.

Without going into specifics, the Pioneer Village, with circumstances beyond their control, is being evicted from the place where they have known as home for many years. The cost to move this museum is way over their annual revenue and they are in need of funds to help with the move. The ND State Fairgrounds, where the museum is presently located, is demanding that they move by June 15, 2019 and we all know this is a very time sensitive demand (our ND weather could be a huge damper on this endeavor).

These funds would be a win – win for all involved. The Pioneer Village will be able to continue the great work that they do to carry on the history of our county and surrounding areas. Along with a more visual location that will attract so much more visitors and bring the county seat (building anyway) back to our community. The State will present good-faith efforts to help preserve all the past and present members of the Society for all the work that they have done. – and the NDSF will have their empty spot which they want.

Please consider passing this bill for the \$2 million. The citizens of our great state have supported the museum while visiting the NDSF and will support it at the new location.

Thank you

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March 05-2019
John M Pietsch
15900 16th St SW
Minot ND 58701

North Dakota House of Representatives

Good Afternoon Legislators,

My name is John Pietsch and I farm about eight miles south of Minot. From a young age history has always been of great interest to me. Anyone who strives to preserve, record and display our history deserves our highest appreciation and support. The Ward County Historical Society Board by relocating the Pioneer Village Museum to Burlington will achieve all of these goals and more.

I have had the good fortune to attend many of the Ward County Historical Society Board Meetings and have been very impressed by their:

- A. Quality Leadership
- b. Tremendous dedication to their goal of preserving local and state history.
- c. This Board's ability to work as a team each having their own special skills and utilizing these skills to the best of their abilities.
- D. This Board is financially responsible and endeavors to achieve the greatest result and keep within their budget.
- E. The Ward County Historical Society Board has solid support from the Burlington Community, Ward County and our Great State.

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Last fall when I was campaigning for the Ward County Commission is when I realized how strong the commitment and support in Ward County is for the Pioneer Village Museum. With all the other concerns in Ward County one question just kept coming up time and time again. What is going to happen to the Pioneer Village? This was a real issue of concern to the people of Ward County as they didn't want to lose a recorder of our history. At that time I didn't have an answer. My hope was the Pioneer Village would be able to find a home.

Today with great affirmation I have an answer. I have great confidence in the Ward County Historical Society Board, the commitment of the people of Burlington, the people of Ward County and our great state of North Dakota.

The Pioneer Village Museum is alive, well and its future potential has no limits in providing the precious gift of our history now and for generations to come. Any support that you can provide would be greatly appreciated.

Sincerely

John Pietsch



PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 4, after the boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$150,000"

Page 1, line 6, after the comma insert "and from special funds that must be transferred by the state fair association to the state historical society operating fund to be transferred by the state fair association, the sum of \$100,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary,"

Page 1, line 8, replace the first comma with ". The funds appropriated in this section may be transferred and spent only upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds have been removed by June 15, 2019."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

This amendment reduces the general fund appropriation for a grant to relocate the Pioneer Village from \$450,000 to \$150,000, provides for a transfer from the State Fair operating fund of \$100,000, and makes the appropriations contingent upon certification by the Director of the State Historical Society to the Director of the Office of Management and Budget that all Pioneer Village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds have been removed by June 15, 2019.

Sixty-sixth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

Introduced by

Senators O. Larsen, Piepkorn

Representatives Meier, Rohr

1 A BILL for an Act to provide ~~ana~~ contingent appropriation to the state historical society for
2 relocating pioneer village.

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

4 **SECTION 1. CONTINGENT APPROPRIATION.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in
5 the ~~general~~outdoor heritage fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of
6 ~~\$450,000~~\$250,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, ~~that must be transferred by~~
7 ~~the state fair association~~ to the state historical society for the purpose of providing a grant to an
8 entity to relocate the pioneer village from the North Dakota state fairgrounds to another location
9 within Ward County, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021. The
10 funds appropriated in this section may be transferred and spent only upon certification by the
11 director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget
12 that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are
13 required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019.

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on page 1089 of the Senate Journal and pages 1220 and 1221 of the House Journal and that Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 2146 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 4, after the first boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 4, replace "general" with "outdoor heritage"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$250,000"

Page 1, line 6, remove "that must be transferred by the state fair association"

Page 1, line 9, after the period insert "The funds appropriated in this section may be transferred and spent only upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019."

Renumber accordingly

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Sixty-sixth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

Introduced by

Senators O. Larsen, Piepkorn

Representatives Meier, Rohr

1 A BILL for an Act to provide ~~ana~~ contingent appropriation to the state historical society for
2 relocating pioneer village, and to declare an emergency.

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

4 SECTION 1. CONTINGENT APPROPRIATION - 2017-19 BIENNIUM. There is
5 appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise
6 appropriated, the sum of ~~\$450,000~~ \$250,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to
7 the state historical society for the purpose of providing a grant to an entity to relocate the
8 pioneer village from the North Dakota state fairgrounds to another location within Ward County,
9 for the ~~biennium~~ period beginning ~~July 1, 2019~~, with the effective date of this Act, and ending
10 June 30, ~~2021~~ 2019. The funds appropriated in this section may be spent only upon certification
11 by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and
12 budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are
13 required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019.

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

19.0485.06005
Title.

Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for
Senator Burckhard

April 16, 2019

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1089 and 1090 of the Senate Journal and pages 1220 and 1221 of the House Journal and that Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 2146 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 2, after "village" insert ", and to declare an emergency"

Page 1, line 4, after the first boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 4, after "**APPROPRIATION**" insert "- **2017-19 BIENNium**"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$250,000"

Page 1, line 8, replace "biennium" with "period"

Page 1, line 8, replace "July 1, 2019" with ", with the effective date of this Act"

Page 1, line 9, replace "2021" with "2019"

Page 1, line 9, after the period insert "The funds appropriated in this section may be spent only upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019.

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

Renumber accordingly

19.0485.06008
Title.
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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for
Representative Schobinger
April 19, 2019

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO REENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2146

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1089 and 1090 of the Senate Journal and pages 1220 and 1221 of the House Journal and that Reengrossed Senate Bill No. 2146 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 1, replace the second "an" with "a contingent"

Page 1, line 4, after the first boldfaced period insert "**CONTINGENT**"

Page 1, line 5, replace "\$450,000" with "\$150,000"

Page 1, line 9, after the period insert "The funds appropriated in this section may be spent only:

1. Upon certification by the director of the state historical society to the director of the office of management and budget that all pioneer village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds which are required to be removed to satisfy the court ruling have been removed by June 15, 2019; and
2. If the state fair association provides no less than \$100,000 to the Ward County historical society for matters relating to the pioneer village."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2146 - State Historical Society - Conference Committee Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Pioneer village relocation		\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000	\$250,000	(\$100,000)
Total all funds	\$0	\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000	\$250,000	(\$100,000)
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	100,000	(100,000)
General fund	\$0	\$450,000	(\$300,000)	\$150,000	\$150,000	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Adjusts Funding to Relocate Pioneer Village ¹	Total Conference Committee Changes
Pioneer village relocation	(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)
Total all funds	(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)
Less estimated income	0	0
General fund	(\$300,000)	(\$300,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment provides for a contingent general fund appropriation of \$150,000 to the State Historical Society for a grant to relocate Pioneer Village. The Senate provided \$450,000 from the general fund to relocate Pioneer Village and the House provided \$150,000 from the general fund and \$100,000 from the State Fair operating fund to relocate Pioneer Village. The appropriation is contingent upon certification by the Director of the State Historical Society to

the Office of Management and Budget that all Pioneer Village buildings located on the North Dakota state fairgrounds that are required to be removed to satisfy the court order have been removed by June 15, 2019, the same as the House version. The Conference Committee added a provision that the State Fair must provide at least \$100,000 to the Ward County Historical Society relating to the Pioneer Village.