

Introduced by

Legislative Management

(Government Services Committee)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the housing finance agency and the department
2 of public instruction; to provide for a transfer; and to provide for a legislative management study.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY - GENERAL FUND -**

5 **HOMELESS GRANTS.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
6 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$10,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be
7 necessary, to the housing finance agency for the purpose of providing homeless grants, for the
8 biennium beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027.

9 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - HOUSING FINANCE AGENCY - GENERAL FUND -**

10 **HOMELESSNESS STUDY - ONE-TIME FUNDING.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in
11 the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$50,000, or so
12 much of the sum as may be necessary, to the housing finance agency for the purpose of
13 contracting a consultant to assist with a study of homelessness in the state, for the biennium
14 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. This appropriation is considered a one-time
15 funding item.

16 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION - GENERAL**
17 **FUND - HOMELESSNESS LIAISON SERVICES - MATCHING FUNDS.** There is appropriated

18 out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum
19 of \$1,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of public
20 instruction for the purpose of providing grants for homelessness liaison services to the ten
21 school districts in the state with the greatest student enrollment, for the biennium beginning
22 July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. A school district may receive no more than \$50,000 per
23 fiscal year under this program and it must provide \$1 of matching funds for every \$1 received
24 from the state for homelessness liaison services.

1 **SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION - TRANSFER - HOUSING INCENTIVE FUND - ONE-TIME**
2 **FUNDING - LEGISLATIVE INTENT.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general
3 fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$200,000,000, which the office
4 of management and budget shall transfer to the housing incentive fund during the biennium
5 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. It is the intent of the legislative assembly
6 that this funding be distributed from the housing incentive fund over the four-year period
7 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2029. This appropriation is considered a one-time
8 funding item.

9 **SECTION 5. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - HOMELESSNESS.** During the
10 2025-26 interim, the legislative management shall study homelessness in the state. The study
11 must include a review of data and funding available to address homelessness, an analysis of
12 the use of available funds to identify gaps and potential solutions, and input from a consultant
13 engaged by the housing finance agency to assist the committee with the study. The legislative
14 management shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation
15 required to implement the recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.