Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota

## **SENATE BILL NO. 2254**

Introduced by

Senators Boschee, Cory, Burckhard, Sickler

Representatives D. Ruby, M. Ruby

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of transportation for fixed route

2 city transportation services grants; and to provide for a legislative management study.

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

4 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION - FIXED ROUTE** CITY TRANSPORTATION GRANTS - ONE-TIME FUNDING. There is appropriated out of any 5 6 moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of 7 \$15,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of transportation 8 for the purpose of providing grants to fixed route city transportation providers, for the biennium 9 beginning July 1, 2025, and ending June 30, 2027. The funding appropriated in this section is 10 one-time funding item. 11 **SECTION 2. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - FIXED ROUTE CITY** 12 **TRANSPORTATION SERVICES FUNDING.** During the 2025-26 interim, the legislative 13 management shall study the funding needs of fixed route city transportation networks. The 14 study must include a review of how the fixed route transportation networks can address 15 population growth, economic development, workforce needs, and healthcare needs. As part of 16 the study, the legislative management shall develop a proposed funding formula within the 17 department of transportation budget for fixed route city transportation systems. The legislative 18 management shall report its recommendations, along with any legislation necessary to 19 implement the recommendations, to the seventieth legislative assembly.