

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

(At the request of the Governor)

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of job service North
2 Dakota.

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

4 **SECTION 1. BASE LEVEL FUNDING INFORMATION.** The amounts identified in this
5 section represent the base level funding component appropriated to job service North Dakota in
6 section 3 of this Act as follows:

7	Salaries and wages	\$34,017,882
8	Operating expenses	14,529,359
9	Capital assets	39,684
10	Grants	7,617,792
11	Work force 2000	<u>1,250,000</u>
12	Total all funds - Base level	\$57,454,717
13	Less estimated income - Base level	<u>56,204,717</u>
14	Total general fund - Base level	\$1,250,000

15 **SECTION 2. FUNDING ADJUSTMENTS OR ENHANCEMENTS INFORMATION.** The
16 amounts identified in this section represent the funding adjustments or enhancements to the
17 base funding level for job service North Dakota which are included in the appropriation in
18 section 3 of this Act as follows:

19	Salaries and wages	\$828,832
20	Operating expenses	(1,290,446)
21	Capital assets	185,316
22	Grants	1,429,373
23	Work force 2000	230,724
24	Work first-Reed Act	256,560

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1	Unemployment insurance modernization-Reed Act	<u>525,000</u>
2	Total all funds - Adjustments/enhancements	\$2,165,359
3	Less estimated income - Adjustments/enhancements	<u>1,934,635</u>
4	Total general fund - Adjustments/enhancements	\$230,724

5 **SECTION 3. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the
6 funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and
8 other income, to job service North Dakota, for the purpose of defraying the expenses of that
9 agency, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007, as follows:

10	Salaries and wages	\$34,846,714
11	Operating expenses	13,238,913
12	Capital assets	225,000
13	Grants	9,047,165
14	Work force 2000	1,480,724
15	Work first-Reed Act	256,560
16	Unemployment insurance modernization-Reed Act	<u>525,000</u>
17	Total all funds	\$59,620,076
18	Less estimated income	<u>58,139,352</u>
19	Total general fund appropriation	\$1,480,724

20 **SECTION 4. APPROPRIATION.** All federal funds received by job service North
21 Dakota in excess of those funds appropriated in section 3 of this Act are appropriated, for the
22 biennium beginning July 1, 2005, and ending June 30, 2007.

23 **SECTION 5. WORK FORCE 2000 FUNDING.** Fifty percent of the work force 2000
24 funding in section 3 of this Act must be used for projects for new or expanding businesses in
25 North Dakota.

26 **SECTION 6. WORK FIRST-REED ACT.** The special line appropriation of federal Reed
27 Act funds in section 3 of this Act is to be used by job service North Dakota to carry out a
28 demonstration project on the effectiveness of certain actions in causing more rapid
29 reemployment of unemployment insurance claimants and a corresponding reduction in the
30 average duration of claims. The legislative assembly specifically authorizes job service North
31 Dakota, during the period July 1, 2005, through June 30, 2007, to carry out this demonstration

1 project. In so doing, job service North Dakota may provide additional or alternative services to
2 the group of claimants randomly selected for participation in the demonstration project, and
3 may, after assuring appropriate due process requirements are met, make participation in those
4 services a condition of nonmonetary eligibility for unemployment insurance benefits. Job
5 service North Dakota may also provide those demonstration project services at fewer than all of
6 its local office sites.

7 **SECTION 7. UNEMPLOYMENT INSURANCE MODERNIZATION-REED ACT.** The
8 special line appropriation of federal Reed Act funds in section 3 of this Act is to be used by job
9 service North Dakota to carry out procurement planning for replacement of the current
10 automated unemployment insurance tax and benefit system. Job service North Dakota is
11 specifically directed to take those actions necessary to determine the requirements of such a
12 replacement system and to issue a request for proposals to vendors to seek responses from
13 those vendors on a timetable that will allow the selected response to be used as the basis of an
14 appropriation request to the sixtieth legislative assembly.