

**Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Thursday, January 3, 2019**

SENATE BILL NO. 2023
(Appropriations Committee)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the public employees retirement system; to provide for a report; and to provide for transfers.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION. The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys from special funds from income to the public employees retirement system for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the public employees retirement system, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021, as follows:

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
Salaries and wages	\$6,316,169	\$336,435	\$6,652,604
Operating expenses	2,692,221	(208,629)	2,483,592
Capital assets	0	190,000	190,000
Contingencies	<u>250,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>250,000</u>
Total special funds	\$9,258,390	\$317,806	\$9,576,196
Full-time equivalent positions	34.50	0.00	34.50

SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-SEVENTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-fifth legislative assembly for the 2017-19 biennium and the 2019-21 biennium one-time funding items included in the appropriation in section 1 of this Act:

<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2017-19</u>	<u>2019-21</u>
Information technology risk assessment	\$0	\$40,000
Upgrade business system software	<u>0</u>	<u>190,000</u>
Total special funds	\$0	\$230,000

The 2019-21 biennium one-time funding amounts are not part of the entity's base budget for the 2021-23 biennium. The public employees retirement system shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-seventh legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021.

SECTION 3. LINE ITEM TRANSFERS. Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the director of the office of management and budget shall transfer appropriation authority from the contingencies line item in section 1 of this Act to any other line item as requested by the public employees retirement system board. The agency shall notify the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 4. PUBLIC EMPLOYEES RETIREMENT SYSTEM - HOSPITAL AND MEDICAL BENEFITS COVERAGE - REPORT. During the 2019-21 biennium, the public employees retirement system board shall solicit and receive bids for the 2021-23 biennium hospital benefits coverage and medical benefits coverage for state employees under section 54-52.1-04. The request for proposal must include an option for coverage through a self-insurance plan. The board shall report to the majority and minority leaders of the House and Senate and the chairmen of the appropriations committees, or their designees, when bids are received during the biennium beginning July 1, 2019, and ending June 30, 2021. The report must provide comparative information and the board's evaluation of the bids received, including information on the self-insurance option.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-sixth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2023.

Senate Vote: Yeas 45 Nays 1 Absent 1

House Vote: Yeas 76 Nays 15 Absent 3

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2019.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2019.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2019,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State