

Higher Education Committee  
TrainND Testimony  
ND Department of Career and Technical Education  
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TrainND was established by HB1443 in the 1999 -2000 legislative session with an appropriation of \$875,000. It established the 4 regions and placed a two year campus in each region as having primary responsibility for workforce training. Williston State in the Northwest, Lake Region in the Northeast, Bismarck State in the Southwest, and State College of Science in the Southeast.

Each region established a workforce training board, appointed by the president of the college, representing businesses, labor, and industries within the delivery area and must include at least one representative from an Indian owned business, tribal government, or tribal college.

In the 2001-2003 biennium, the funding was increased to \$1.35 million and in 2007-09 increased to the current \$3 million. In the 2013 session, \$1 million was appropriated for equipment which was one-time funding with a 50/50 match with the private sector.

The state funds pay for the infrastructure – operating costs, support staff, and outreach staff to build an awareness of services in communities and businesses across the state. The state funding does not pay for any training. All training is paid for by the business and industry who send their employees to training. For a perspective, in FY2014, 74% (\$5,965,004) of the total revenue came from training. The state's \$1.5 million is 19% of total revenues and the balance of the funding 7% (\$572,676) comes from other sources such as community/regional funds and grants.

The funds are appropriated to the Department of Career and Technical Education and are distributed among the institutions pursuant to the business plans approved by the State Board of Higher Education and filed with CTE.

The workforce training board approves their respective regions' business plan, which is then approved by the State Board for Higher Education and then provided to Career and Technical Education to distribute the funds. The State Board of Higher Education approved funding process is calculated by the percent of covered employment in each region. That amount is calculated each biennium from data received from Job Service. The last three biennia split of funds:

2015-2017	Covered Empl #	Covered Empl %	Biennium	Annual
Northwest	105,937	23.930%	\$717,892	\$358,946
Northeast	66,161	14.945%	\$448,347	\$224,174
Southeast	156,138	35.269%	\$1,058,084	\$529,042
Southwest	114,464	25.856%	\$775,667	\$387,838
	442,700	100%	\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000

2013-2015	Covered Empl #	Covered Empl %	Biennium	Annual
Northwest	91,242	22.227%	\$666,808	\$333,404
Northeast	65,891	16.051%	\$481,540	\$240,770
Southeast	148,301	36.127%	\$1,083,802	\$541,901
Southwest	105,068	25.595%	\$767,850	\$383,925
	410,502	100%	\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000

2011-2013	Covered Empl #	Covered Empl %	Biennium	Annual
Northwest	61,082	17.062%	\$511,869	\$255,934
Northeast	63,901	17.850%	\$535,492	\$267,746
Southeast	139,745	39.036%	\$1,171,067	\$585,534
Southwest	93,266	26.052%	\$781,572	\$390,786
	357,994	100%	\$3,000,000	\$1,500,000

Mr. Chairman, I would be glad to answer any questions.