

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1151 - Funding Summary

	Base Budget	Final Legislative Action	Comparison To Base Budget
University System Office			
Challenge grant program		\$23,500,000	\$23,500,000
Total all funds	\$0	\$23,500,000	\$23,500,000
Less estimated income	0	2,500,000	2,500,000
General fund	\$0	\$21,000,000	\$21,000,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$0	\$23,500,000	\$23,500,000
Less estimated income	0	2,500,000	2,500,000
General fund	\$0	\$21,000,000	\$21,000,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

House Bill No. 1151 - University System Office - House Action

This bill provides a one-time general fund appropriation of \$19 million to the State Board of Higher Education for the purpose of awarding matching grants for the advancement of academics at institutions of higher education under the control of the Board.

House Bill No. 1151 - University System Office - Senate Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Challenge grant program		\$19,000,000	\$6,500,000	\$25,500,000
Total all funds	\$0	\$19,000,000	\$6,500,000	\$25,500,000
Less estimated income	0	0	2,500,000	2,500,000
General fund	\$0	\$19,000,000	\$4,000,000	\$23,000,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department 215 - University System Office - Detail of Senate Changes

	Increases Funding for the Challenge Grant Program¹	Total Senate Changes
Challenge grant program	6,500,000	6,500,000
Total all funds	\$6,500,000	\$6,500,000
Less estimated income	2,500,000	2,500,000
General fund	\$4,000,000	\$4,000,000
FTE	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding of \$4 million from the general fund and \$2.5 million from the student loan trust fund is added to provide a total of \$25.5 million for the challenge grant program.

House Bill No. 1151 - University System Office - Conference Committee Action

	Base Budget	House Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	Senate Version	Comparison to Senate
Challenge grant program		\$19,000,000	\$4,500,000	\$23,500,000	\$25,500,000	(\$2,000,000)
Total all funds	\$0	\$19,000,000	\$4,500,000	\$23,500,000	\$25,500,000	(\$2,000,000)
Less estimated income	0	0	2,500,000	2,500,000	2,500,000	0
General fund	\$0	\$19,000,000	\$2,000,000	\$21,000,000	\$23,000,000	(\$2,000,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department 215 - University System Office - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Increases Funding for the Challenge Grant Program¹	Total Conference Committee Changes
Challenge grant program	4,500,000	4,500,000
Total all funds	\$4,500,000	\$4,500,000
Less estimated income	2,500,000	2,500,000
General fund	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000
FTE	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding of \$2 million from the general fund and \$2.5 million from the student loan trust fund is added to provide a total of \$23.5 million for the challenge grant program. The House version provided \$19 million from the general fund for the program and the Senate version provided \$23 million from the general fund and \$2.5 million from the student loan trust fund for the program.

This amendment also provides for the following which were included in the Senate version:

- Increases the amount of matching grants available to North Dakota State University and the University of North Dakota from \$5 million to \$7 million each and requires the first \$2 million of matching grants awarded to each institution to be used for student scholarships.
- Provides an additional \$500,000 to be awarded to nonresearch institutions that have fully utilized the original \$1 million of grant funding available to the institution.
- Allows the State Board of Higher Education, rather than the Governor's office, to retain one-quarter of 1 percent of grants awarded to be used for administrative costs of the program.
- Provides for a Legislative Management study of higher education matching grants.