

**2023 SENATE EDUCATION**

**SB 2200**

# 2023 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Education Committee**  
Room JW216, State Capitol

SB 2200  
1/17/2023

Provide an appropriation to Department of Public Instruction for ND governor's schools.
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11:00 AM Chair Elkin opened hearing. Present: Chair Elkin, Vice Chair Beard, Sen Axtman, Sen Conley, Sen Lemm, and Sen Wobbema.

**Discussion Topics:**

- STEM classes
- High achievers
- UND and NDSU

Sen Sorvaag, Dist 45, bill sponsor, testified in support. #13981.

Sen Luick, Dist 35, testified in support. No written testimony.

Dr Stacy Duffield, Dir of Teaching/Learning, NDSU, in support #13302.

Peter Johnson, private citizen, testified in support. No written testimony.

**Additional written testimony:**

Dr Karyn Plumm, Vice Provost-Undergrad, UND, in support #13303

11:22 AM Chair Elkin closed the hearing.

*Pam Dever, Committee Clerk*

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2:33 PM Chair Elkin opened committee work. Present: Chair Elkin, Vice Chair Beard, Sen Axtman, Sen Conley, Sen Lemm, and Sen Wobbema.

## **Discussion Topics:**

- Governor School Appropriation
- Cost comparison data

Stacy Duffield, NDSU, answered questions.

3:00 PM Chair Elkin adjourned the meeting.

*Pam Dever, Committee Clerk*

# 2023 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Education Committee**  
Room JW216, State Capitol

SB 2200  
1/18/2023

Provide an appropriation to Department of Public Instruction for ND governor's schools.

11:00 AM Chair Elkin opened committee work. Present: Chair Elkin, Vice Chair Beard, Sen Axtman, Sen Conley, Sen Lemm, and Sen Wobbema.

## Discussion Topics:

- Committee action

Sen Beard moved Amendment 23.0736.01001.

Sen Axtman seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Jay Elkin	Y
Senator Todd Beard	Y
Senator Michelle Axtman	Y
Senator Cole Conley	Y
Senator Randy D. Lemm	Y
Senator Michael A. Wobbema	Y

VOTE: YES – 6 NO – 0 Absent – 0 Motion PASSED

Sen Axtman moved a DO PASS as Amended.

Sen Wobbema seconded the motion.

Senators	Vote
Senator Jay Elkin	Y
Senator Todd Beard	Y
Senator Michelle Axtman	Y
Senator Cole Conley	Y
Senator Randy D. Lemm	Y
Senator Michael A. Wobbema	Y

VOTE: YES – 6 NO – 0 Absent – 0 Motion PASSED

Sen Beard will carry the bill.

11:13 AM Chair Elkin adjourned the meeting.

*Pam Dever, Committee Clerk*

January 18, 2023

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2200

Page 1, line 10, replace "\$10,000" with "an average cost of \$5,000"

Page 1, line 13, after "schools" insert "program"

Re-number accordingly

*DR*

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*1-18-2023*

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2200: Education Committee (Sen. Elkin, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (6 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2200 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar. This bill does not affect workforce development.

Page 1, line 10, replace "\$10,000" with "an average cost of \$5,000"

Page 1, line 13, after "schools" insert "program"

Renumber accordingly

**2023 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS**

**SB 2200**

# 2023 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Appropriations Committee Roughrider Room, State Capitol

SB 2200  
2/1/2023

A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools
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8:07 AM Chairman Bekkedahl opened the public hearing on SB 2211. Senators Bekkedahl, Krebsbach, Sorvaag, Meyer, J. Roers, Rust, Schaible, Wanzek, Dwyer, Erbele, Vedaa, Burckhard, and Kreun present. Senators Davison and Dever absent but returned prior to vote.

### Discussion Topics:

- History
- Fiscal impact
- Concept
- Curriculum
- Additional benefits

8:08 AM Senator Sorvaag, North Dakota State Senate, District 45, introduced the bill and testified in favor #18430.

8:18 AM Senator Luick, North Dakota State Senate, District 25, testified in favor verbally.

8:26 AM Stacey Duffield, North Dakota State University, testified neutral verbally.

8:27 AM Senator Mathern moved DO PASS SB 2211

8:27 AM Senator Burckhard seconded DO PASS SB 2211



8:28 AM Roll Call Vote – DO PASS SB 2211

<b>Senators</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Senator Brad Bekkedahl	Y
Senator Karen K. Krebsbach	Y
Senator Randy A. Burckhard	Y
Senator Kyle Davison	Y
Senator Dick Dever	Y
Senator Michael Dwyer	Y
Senator Robert Erbele	Y
Senator Curt Kreun	Y
Senator Tim Mathern	Y
Senator Scott Meyer	Y
Senator Jim P. Roers	Y
Senator David S. Rust	Y
Senator Donald Schaible	Y
Senator Ronald Sorvaag	Y
Senator Shawn Vedaa	Y
Senator Terry M. Wanzek	Y

Motion Passed 16-0-0. DO PASS SB 2211.

Senator Beard will carry the bill.

8:29 AM Chairman Bekkedahl closed the hearing on SB 2211.

*Dave Owen on behalf of Kathleen Hall, Committee Clerk*

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2200, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Bekkedahl, Chairman)** recommends **DO PASS** (16 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2200 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar. This bill affects workforce development.

**2023 HOUSE EDUCATION**

**SB 2200**

# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Education Committee**  
Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

SB 2200  
3/14/2023

To provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.
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3:17 PM Chairman Heinert opened the hearing.

Members present: Chairman Heinert, Vice Chairman Schreiber-Beck, Representatives Conmy, Dyk, Hager, Hauck, Heilman, Hoverson, Jonas, Longmuir, Marschall, Murphy, Novak, and Timmons.

**Discussion Topics:**

- Summer program
- STEM programs
- Fiscal Note
- NDSU and UND

Sen Ron Sorvaag, District 45, introduced SB 2200, Testimony 24705

Dr Stacy Duffield, director of Office of Teaching and Learning, NDSU, Testimony 24486

3:34 PM Chairman Heinert closed the hearing.

*Kathleen Davis, Committee Clerk*

# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Education Committee**  
Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

SB 2200  
3/14/2023

To provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.
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4:16 PM Chairman Heinert opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Heinert, Vice Chairman Schreiber-Beck, Representatives Conmy, Dyk, Hager, Hauck, Heilman, Hoverson, Jonas, Longmuir, Marschall, Murphy, Novak, and Timmons.

### Discussion Topics:

- Committee action

Rep Murphy moved a Do Pass, seconded by Rep Longmuir.

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Pat D. Heinert	N
Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck	AB
Representative Liz Conmy	Y
Representative Scott Dyk	N
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	AB
Representative Dori Hauck	N
Representative Matt Heilman	N
Representative Jeff A. Hoverson	N
Representative Jim Jonas	Y
Representative Donald W. Longmuir	Y
Representative Andrew Marschall	N
Representative Eric James Murphy	Y
Representative Anna S. Novak	AB
Representative Kelby Timmons	N

**4-7-3 Motion Failed.**

4:20 PM Meeting adjourned.

*Kathleen Davis, Committee Clerk*

# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Education Committee Coteau AB Room, State Capitol

SB 2200  
3/22/2023

To provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.

3:33 PM Chairman Heinert opened the meeting.

Members present: Chairman Heinert, Vice Chairman Schreiber-Beck, Representatives Conmy, Dyk, Hager, Hauck, Heilman, Hoverson, Jonas, Longmuir, Marschall, Murphy, Novak, and Timmons.

### Discussion Topics:

- Committee action

Rep Murphy moved to adopt an amendment to \$500,000 and the Governor's School shall alternate between NDSU and UND, seconded by Rep Jonas. Voice vote, motion carried.

Rep Murphy moved a Do Pass as Amended and Rerefer to Appropriations, seconded by Rep Jonas.

Representatives	Vote
Representative Pat D. Heinert	Y
Representative Cynthia Schreiber-Beck	Y
Representative Liz Conmy	AB
Representative Scott Dyk	Y
Representative LaurieBeth Hager	Y
Representative Dori Hauck	Y
Representative Matt Heilman	Y
Representative Jeff A. Hoverson	AB
Representative Jim Jonas	Y
Representative Donald W. Longmuir	Y
Representative Andrew Marschall	Y
Representative Eric James Murphy	Y
Representative Anna S. Novak	Y
Representative Kelby Timmons	Y

**12-0-2 Motion carried.** Rep Schreiber-Beck is carrier.

3:36 PM Meeting adjourned.

*Kathleen Davis, Committee Clerk*

March 22, 2023

*JA*  
*3-22-23*

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2200

Page 1, line 6, replace "\$1,000,000" with "\$500,000"

Page 1, line 10, after "1." insert "The department shall conduct North Dakota governor's schools once a summer alternating annually between North Dakota state university and university of North Dakota.

2."

Page 1, line 13, replace "2." with "3."

Page 1, line 16, replace "3." with "4."

Page 1, line 18, replace "4." with "5."

Renumber accordingly

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2200, as engrossed: Education Committee (Rep. Heinert, Chairman)** recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** and **BE REREFERRED** to the **Appropriations Committee** (12 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2200 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

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Renumber accordingly



**2023 HOUSE APPROPRIATIONS**

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# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Appropriations Committee**  
Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

SB 2200  
4/5/2023

BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.
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**10:47 AM Chairman Vigesaa** Called the meeting to order and roll call was taken-

**All Members Present;** Chairman Vigesaa, Representative Kempenich, Representative B. Anderson, Representative Bellew, Representative Brandenburg, Representative Hanson, Representative Kreidt, Representative Martinson, Representative Mitskog, Representative Meier, Representative Mock, Representative Monson, Representative Nathe, Representative J. Nelson, Representative O'Brien, Representative Pyle, Representative Richter, Representative Sanford, Representative Schatz, Representative Schobinger, Representative Strinden, Representative G. Stemen and Representative Swiontek.

**Discussion Topics:**

- NDSU & UND
- Summer Program
- School Rotation

**Representative Heinert-** Introduces the bill and its purpose.

**10:56 AM Chairman Vigesaa** Closed the meeting for SB 2200

*Risa Berube, Committee Clerk*

# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

**Appropriations Committee**  
Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

SB 2200  
4/6/2023

BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.
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**9:52 AM Chairman Vigesaa** Called the meeting to order and roll call was taken-

**Members present;** Chairman Vigesaa, Representative Kempenich, Representative B. Anderson, Representative Bellew, Representative Brandenburg, Representative Hanson, Representative Kreidt, Representative Martinson, Representative Mitskog, Representative Meier, Representative Mock, Representative Monson, Representative Nathe, Representative J. Nelson, Representative O'Brien, Representative Pyle, Representative Richter, Representative Sanford, Representative Schatz, Representative Schobinger, Representative Strinden, Representative G. Stemen and Representative Swiontek.

## Discussion Topics:

- Amendment
- Committee Action

**Representative Schatz** Move to amend with a verbal amendment to change the name from "Governors School" to "Legislative Leadership School"

**Representative Kreidt** Seconds the motion

Committee Discussion Roll call vote

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Don Vigesaa	N
Representative Keith Kempenich	AB
Representative Bert Anderson	Y
Representative Larry Bellew	Y
Representative Mike Brandenburg	AB
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	N
Representative Gary Kreidt	Y
Representative Bob Martinson	N
Representative Lisa Meier	Y
Representative Alisa Mitskog	Y
Representative Corey Mock	Y
Representative David Monson	Y
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Jon O. Nelson	N
Representative Emily O'Brien	N
Representative Brandy Pyle	Y

Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	N
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Randy A. Schobinger	Y
Representative Greg Stemen	Y
Representative Michelle Strinden	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y

**Motion Carries 15-6-2**

**Representative Pyle** Move for a Do Pass as Amended

**Representative Bellew** Seconds the motion

Committee Discussion Roll call vote;

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	AB
Representative Bert Anderson	Y
Representative Larry Bellew	Y
Representative Mike Brandenburg	AB
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Gary Kreidt	Y
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative Lisa Meier	Y
Representative Alisa Mitskog	Y
Representative Corey Mock	Y
Representative David Monson	Y
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Y
Representative Emily O'Brien	Y
Representative Brandy Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Randy A. Schobinger	Y
Representative Greg Stemen	Y
Representative Michelle Strinden	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y

**Motion Carries 21-0-2 Representative Schatz will carry the bill.**

**9:59 AM Chairman Vigesaa** Closed the meeting for SB 2200

*Risa Berube, Committee Clerk*

**Bill Brought Back for Reconsideration on April 7<sup>th</sup> 2023**

# 2023 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

## Appropriations Committee Brynhild Haugland Room, State Capitol

SB 2200  
4/7/2023

BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.
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**8:53 AM Chairman Vigesaa** Called the meeting to order and roll call was taken-

**Members present;** Chairman Vigesaa, Representative Kempenich, Representative Bellew, Representative Brandenburg, Representative Hanson, Representative Kreidt, Representative Martinson, Representative Meier, Representative Mock, Representative Monson, Representative Nathe, Representative J. Nelson, Representative O'Brien, Representative Pyle, Representative Richter, Representative Sanford, Representative Schatz, Representative Schobinger, Representative Strinden, Representative G. Stemen and Representative Swiontek.

**Members not present:** Representative B. Anderson and Representative Mitskog

### Discussion Topics:

- Reconsideration
- Committee Action

**Representative G. Stemen-** Moves to reconsider the actions of the committee

**Representative Pyle** Seconds the motion

Committee Discussion- Roll call vote

Representatives	Vote
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	Y
Representative Bert Anderson	AB
Representative Larry Bellew	N
Representative Mike Brandenburg	N
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Gary Kreidt	N
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative Lisa Meier	N
Representative Alisa Mitskog	AB
Representative Corey Mock	Y
Representative David Monson	N
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Y
Representative Emily O'Brien	Y

Representative Brandy Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	N
Representative Randy A. Schobinger	N
Representative Greg Stemen	Y
Representative Michelle Strinden	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y

**Motion Carries 14-7-2**

**Representative G. Stemen** Moves to remove the amendment changing the name to “Legislative Leadership School”

**Representative J. Nelson** Seconds the Motion

Committee Discussion- Roll call vote

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	N
Representative Bert Anderson	AB
Representative Larry Bellew	N
Representative Mike Brandenburg	N
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Gary Kreidt	N
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative Lisa Meier	N
Representative Alisa Mitskog	AB
Representative Corey Mock	Y
Representative David Monson	N
Representative Mike Nathe	Y
Representative Jon O. Nelson	Y
Representative Emily O'Brien	Y
Representative Brandy Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	N
Representative Randy A. Schobinger	N
Representative Greg Stemen	Y
Representative Michelle Strinden	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y

**Motion Carries 13-8-2**

**Representative Mock** Moves to amend to change the name to “Governor’s and Legislative Leadership School”

**Representative Kempenich** seconds the motion

**Committee Discussion Roll call vote**

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Don Vigesaa	N
Representative Keith Kempenich	Y
Representative Bert Anderson	AB
Representative Larry Bellew	Y
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Y
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	N
Representative Gary Kreidt	N
Representative Bob Martinson	N
Representative Lisa Meier	Y
Representative Alisa Mitskog	AB
Representative Corey Mock	Y
Representative David Monson	Y
Representative Mike Nathe	N
Representative Jon O. Nelson	N
Representative Emily O'Brien	N
Representative Brandy Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	N
Representative Mike Schatz	N
Representative Randy A. Schobinger	Y
Representative Greg Stemen	N
Representative Michelle Strinden	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	N

**Motion Fails 10-11-2**

**Representative O'Brien-** Move for a Do Pass

**Representative Nathe** Seconds the Motion

<b>Representatives</b>	<b>Vote</b>
Representative Don Vigesaa	Y
Representative Keith Kempenich	Y
Representative Bert Anderson	AB
Representative Larry Bellew	Y
Representative Mike Brandenburg	Y
Representative Karla Rose Hanson	Y
Representative Gary Kreidt	N
Representative Bob Martinson	Y
Representative Lisa Meier	Y
Representative Alisa Mitskog	AB
Representative Corey Mock	Y
Representative David Monson	Y
Representative Mike Nathe	Y

Representative Jon O. Nelson	Y
Representative Emily O'Brien	Y
Representative Brandy Pyle	Y
Representative David Richter	Y
Representative Mark Sanford	Y
Representative Mike Schatz	Y
Representative Randy A. Schobinger	Y
Representative Greg Stemen	Y
Representative Michelle Strinden	Y
Representative Steve Swiontek	Y

**Motion Carries 20-1-2 Representative Schreiber -Beck will carry the bill.**

**9:10 AM Chairman Vigesaa** Closed the meeting for SB 2200

*Risa Berube, Committee Clerk*



**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

**SB 2200, as engrossed and amended: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Vigesaa, Chairman) recommends DO PASS (20 YEAS, 1 NAY, 2 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING).** Engrossed SB 2200, as amended, was placed on the Fourteenth order on the calendar.

**TESTIMONY**

**SB 2200**

**NDSU**

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Chairman Elkin and Members of the Committee:

My name is Dr. Stacy Duffield. I am the director of the Office of Teaching and Learning at North Dakota State University, and I am providing testimony on behalf of NDSU and UND in support of SB2200, a bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to the Department of Public Instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.

ND Governor's School has a rich and successful history, beginning at NDSU in 1990, and serving hundreds of students representing every county in North Dakota over its 30 years. Its impact has been far reaching and vast. For example, during the most recent five years of the program, 96% of the scholars reported their study skills improved as a result of NDGS; 67% said their study skills improved; 93% reported their interest in learning increased; and 86% rated their overall experience as excellent and stated that they were able to learn more than was offered at their high schools.

Governor's School offers its scholars unique opportunities to learn and participate in research and learning in valuable areas such as engineering, health care—including mental health, technology, law, agriculture, education, and more. These are all areas North Dakota needs as we develop a high-quality work force. Governor's School provides scholars opportunities for academic, social, and leadership growth, allowing scholars to explore areas for advanced degrees to serve our state.

I am excited about the opportunity this allows NDSU and UND to collaborate to serve the needs of North Dakota learners, working together to increase opportunities for high school students and extend the range of areas these scholars can explore. It is our request that this experience be fully funded for scholars, providing access to all selected participants and not excluding anyone because of their inability to pay. Dr. Karyn Plumm from UND and I have worked through a tentative budget and believe we can each serve 40-50 scholars on our campuses each year with the appropriation in the current bill.

I want to close my testimony with quotes from two former Governor's School attendees, Marie from Wyndmere and Jason from Williston.

Marie said, "Governor's School gave me academic opportunities that I couldn't find anywhere else. It also put me in an environment that helped me grow and learn an enormous amount about myself, other Governor's Schools students who became great friends, and the world."

Jason said, "NDGS has changed my life, making me more productive, disciplined, and an overall better person. Couldn't have asked for a better way to spend my summer."

I am available for any questions you may have.

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Chairman Elkin and members of the committee,

My name is Dr. Karyn Plumm. I am the Vice Provost for Undergraduate Studies & Student Success at the University of North Dakota, and I am submitting this testimony on behalf of UND and NDSU in support of SB2200, a bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for North Dakota governor's schools. With the support of Provost Link and President Armacost at UND, I have been working closely with Dr. Stacy Duffield at NDSU on this collaboration.

The focus of the ND Governor's School is to provide a unique opportunity for our high-achieving high school students across the state to consider advanced degrees in service to the state. Students participating in the Governor School programs will gain hands-on research experience with faculty and graduate students, learn about professions in fields that require or recommend graduate or professional degrees, and start to think, not only about their academic path to those professions but, about how they might ultimately build a career in North Dakota.

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Thank you for your time and consideration. If you have any questions, please reach out to me at [karyn.plumm@und.edu](mailto:karyn.plumm@und.edu) or 701-777-1322.

Karyn M. Plumm, PhD



# NORTH DAKOTA SENATE

STATE CAPITOL  
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**COMMITTEES:**  
Appropriations

## Senator Ronald Sorvaag

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January 17, 2023

Chairman Elkin and Members of the Senate Education Committee,

SB2200 deals with North Dakota Governor's School.

North Dakota Governor's School was founded in 1990. During that time more than 1,200 North Dakota High School Students have participate in the 6 week summer program. The students are competitively selected after submitting personal essays, academic records, and recommendations.

Funding slowed and then the pandemic came, so the program was stopped being offered in 2019 after 29 years.

The program was offered only at NDSU campus in the past, this bill would share the program between NDSU and UND. It would allow for STEM programs at NDSU and Energy and Health programs at UND. There would be co-directors, 1 from NDSU and 1 from UND. The expenses for students while on camps, including housing, dining, and program costs would be furnished.

This program is to give our best students an opportunity to experience our campuses and hopefully leading them to choose to get their education in ND and stay in ND for their careers.

There is table on the back explaining how expenses in the bill were arrived at.

Chairman Elkin and committee thank you for your time, and I would be glad to stand for any questions.

Sen. Ronald Sorvaag  
District 45

Item	Est Cost	Notes
Participant Room and Board	\$85,000	4 weeks/28 days; \$1,700 per student; 50 students
Resident Assistants	\$22,800	2 male and 2 female RAs; \$1,700 room+board; \$4,000 salary
Instructor/Researcher Stipends	\$50,000	Disciplinary leads and session presenters
Teaching Assistants	\$20,000	5 part-time graduate assistants
Administrative Assistant	\$15,000	.25 FTE of time to support preparation and implementation; salary and benefits (based on \$50,000 annual salary)
Program Director	\$25,000	.25 FTE; salary and benefits (based on \$80,000 annual salary)
Transportation	\$10,000	vehicle and other costs for field trips
Materials, Supplies, Printing, Postage	\$10,200	
Finance and Administration	\$12,000	calculated at 5% and rounded off
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>	



# NORTH DAKOTA SENATE

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**COMMITTEES:**  
Appropriations

## Senator Ronald Sorvaag

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Feb. 1, 2023

Chairman Bekkedahl and Members of the Senate Appropriations Committee,

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District 45

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Transportation	\$10,000	vehicle and other costs for field trips
Materials, Supplies, Printing, Postage	\$10,200	
Finance and Administration	\$12,000	calculated at 5% and rounded off
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$250,000</b>	



**NDSU**

NORTH DAKOTA STATE UNIVERSITY

Chairman Heinert and Members of the Committee:

My name is Dr. Stacy Duffield. I am the director of the Office of Teaching and Learning at North Dakota State University, and I am providing testimony on behalf of NDSU and UND in support of SB2200, a bill for an Act to provide an appropriation to the Department of Public Instruction for North Dakota governor's schools.

ND Governor's School has a rich and successful history, beginning at NDSU in 1990, and serving hundreds of students representing every county in North Dakota over its 30 years. Its impact has been far reaching and vast. For example, during the most recent five years of the program, 96% of the scholars said they learned more about a subject than they did at their high school; 67% said their study skills improved; 93% reported their interest in learning increased; and 86% rated their overall experience as excellent and stated that they were able to learn more than was offered at their high schools.

Governor's School offers its scholars unique opportunities to learn and participate in research and learning in valuable areas such as engineering, health care—including mental health, technology, law, agriculture, education, and more. These are all areas North Dakota needs as we develop a high-quality work force. Governor's School provides scholars opportunities for academic, social, and leadership growth, allowing scholars to explore areas for advanced degrees to serve our state.

NDSU and UND are excited to collaborate to serve the needs of North Dakota learners, working together to increase opportunities for high school students and extend the range of areas these scholars can explore. It is our request that this experience be fully funded for scholars, providing access to all selected participants and not excluding anyone because of their inability to pay. Dr. Karyn Plumm from UND and I have worked through a tentative budget and believe we can each serve 40-50 scholars on our campuses each year with the appropriation in the current bill.

I want to close my testimony with quotes from two former Governor's School attendees, Marie from Wyndmere and Jason from Williston.

Marie said, "Governor's School gave me academic opportunities that I couldn't find anywhere else. It also put me in an environment that helped me grow and learn an enormous amount about myself, other Governor's Schools students who became great friends, and the world."

Jason said, "NDGS has changed my life, making me more productive, disciplined, and an overall better person. Couldn't have asked for a better way to spend my summer."

I am available for any questions you may have.

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## Budget Estimates per Campus Annually

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