

Sixty-fourth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2002

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 the office of the
2 secretary of state and public printing; to provide ~~an exemption~~ exemptions; and to amend and
3 reenact section 54-09-05 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the salary of the
4 secretary of state: to provide for legislative management studies; and to declare an emergency.

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

6 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
7 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
8 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and
9 other income, to the secretary of state for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the
10 secretary of state and public printing, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015, and ending
11 June 30, 2017, as follows:

12 Subdivision 1.

13 SECRETARY OF STATE

		Adjustments or	
	Base Level	Enhancements	Appropriation
14			
15			
16	Salaries and wages	\$3,753,869	\$1,323,846
17	<u>Salaries and wages</u>	<u>\$3,753,869</u>	<u>\$1,024,004</u>
18	Accrued leave payments	82,831	(82,831)
19	Operating expenses	2,579,597	3,153,698
20	<u>Operating expenses</u>	<u>2,579,597</u>	<u>2,179,339</u>
21	Petition review	8,000	0
22	Election reform	5,143,115	(2,438,828)
23	Total all funds	\$11,567,412	\$1,955,885
			<u>\$13,523,297</u>

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1	Less estimated income	5,844,417	(2,060,129)	3,784,288
2	Total general fund	\$5,722,995	\$4,016,014	\$9,739,009
3	<u>Election reform</u>	<u>5,143,115</u>	<u>(2,439,580)</u>	<u>2,703,535</u>
4	<u>Total all funds</u>	<u>\$11,567,412</u>	<u>\$680,932</u>	<u>\$12,248,344</u>
5	<u>Less estimated income</u>	<u>5,844,417</u>	<u>(2,360,240)</u>	<u>3,484,177</u>
6	<u>Total general fund</u>	<u>\$5,722,995</u>	<u>\$3,041,172</u>	<u>\$8,764,167</u>
7	Full-time equivalent positions	28.00	6.00	34.00

8 Subdivision 2.

9 SECRETARY OF STATE - PUBLIC PRINTING

10		Adjustments or		
11		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
12	Public printing	\$320,500	\$0	\$320,500
13	Total general fund	\$320,500	\$0	\$320,500

14 Subdivision 3.

15 BILL TOTAL

16		Adjustments or		
17		<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
18	Grand total general fund	\$6,043,495	\$4,016,014	\$10,059,509
19	Grand total special funds	5,844,417	(2,060,129)	3,784,288
20	Grand total all funds	\$11,887,912	\$1,955,885	\$13,843,797
21	<u>Grand total general fund</u>	<u>\$6,043,495</u>	<u>\$3,041,172</u>	<u>\$9,084,667</u>
22	<u>Grand total special funds</u>	<u>5,844,417</u>	<u>(2,360,240)</u>	<u>3,484,177</u>
23	<u>Grand total all funds</u>	<u>\$11,887,912</u>	<u>\$680,932</u>	<u>\$12,568,844</u>

24 SECTION 2. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET- REPORT TO

25 SIXTY-FIFTH LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The following amounts reflect the one-time funding
26 items approved by the sixty-third legislative assembly for the 2013-15 biennium and the
27 2015-17 one-time funding items included in the appropriation of section 1 of this Act:

28	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2013-15</u>	<u>2015-17</u>
29	Funding for three new full-time equivalent positions	\$283,754	\$0
30	Overtime funding	225,600	0
31	Multipurpose copier	10,000	0

1	Information technology hosting charges	84,000	0
2	Technology project	0	3,050,000
3	Total general fund	\$603,354	\$3,050,000
4	Technology project	0	2,100,000
5	Total general fund	\$603,354	\$2,100,000

6 The 2015-17 one-time funding amounts are not part of the entity's base budget for the 2017-19
7 biennium. The secretary of state shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-fifth
8 legislative assembly on the use of the one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2015,
9 and ending June 30, 2017.

10 **SECTION 3. EXEMPTION - GENERAL SERVICES OPERATING FUND.** Any unexpended
11 and unobligated balance remaining in the secretary of state's general services operating fund
12 on June 30, 2015, is not subject to the provisions of section 54-09-08, and any unexpended
13 funds are available and may be expended by the secretary of state, during the biennium
14 beginning July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017, for the database and processing platform
15 migration project.

16 **SECTION 4. EXEMPTION.** The amounts appropriated to the secretary of state in
17 subdivision 2 of section 1 of Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2023, as approved by the sixty-fourth
18 legislative assembly, are not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11. Any unexpended
19 funds from these appropriations are available for completing the central indexing computer
20 project and the business process modeling services contract during the biennium beginning
21 July 1, 2015, and ending June 30, 2017.

22 **SECTION 5. AMENDMENT.** Section 54-09-05 of the North Dakota Century Code is
23 amended and reenacted as follows:

24 **54-09-05. Salary of secretary of state.**

25 The annual salary of the secretary of state is ~~ninety-six thousand seven hundred ninety-four~~
26 ~~dollars through June 30, 2014, and ninety-nine thousand six hundred ninety-eight~~ one hundred
27 two thousand six hundred eighty-nine dollars through June 30, 2016, and one hundred five
28 thousand seven hundred seventy dollars thereafter.

29 **SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY.** During the 2015-16 interim, the
30 legislative management shall consider studying the feasibility and desirability of the secretary of
31 state's office utilizing software which would allow employees of the office to monitor and report

1 billable hours in order to improve efficiency and productivity within the secretary of state's office.
2 The legislative management shall report its findings and recommendations, along with any
3 legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixty-fifth legislative assembly.

4 **SECTION 7. LEGISLATIVE MANAGEMENT STUDY - CONSOLIDATION OF**

5 **ELECTIONS.** During the 2015-16 interim, the legislative management shall consider studying
6 the feasibility and desirability of consolidating all political subdivision and school district
7 elections with the statewide primary election and the holding of all special elections on other
8 specified dates during any year. If the legislative management conducts the study, the
9 legislative management shall seek input and participation from the secretary of state;
10 representatives of cities, counties, school districts, and other political subdivisions; and
11 representatives of political parties. The legislative management shall report its findings and
12 recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to
13 the sixty-fifth legislative assembly.

14 **SECTION 8. EMERGENCY.** Section 4 of this Act is declared to be an emergency measure.