

**Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 5, 2021**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1006
(Appropriations Committee)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the office of the tax commissioner and for payment of state reimbursement under the homestead tax credit and disabled veterans' tax credit; to amend and reenact section 57-01-04 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to the salary of the state tax commissioner; to provide an exemption; and to provide for a transfer.

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 in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and other income, to the tax commissioner for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the tax commissioner and paying the state reimbursement under the homestead tax credit and disabled veterans' tax credit, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023, as follows:

	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Adjustments or Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>
Salaries and wages	\$22,867,956	(\$273,760)	\$22,594,196
Operating expenses	7,112,460	353,660	7,466,120
Capital assets	6,000	0	6,000
Homestead tax credit	15,800,000	2,200,000	18,000,000
Disabled veterans' tax credit	<u>8,410,200</u>	<u>7,889,800</u>	<u>16,300,000</u>
Total all funds	\$54,196,616	\$10,169,700	\$64,366,316
Less estimated income	<u>125,000</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>125,000</u>
Total general fund	\$54,071,616	\$10,169,700	\$64,241,316
Full-time equivalent positions	123.00	(5.00)	118.00

SECTION 2. EXEMPTION - LINE ITEM TRANSFERS. Notwithstanding section 54-16-04, the state tax commissioner may transfer funds between the homestead tax credit and disabled veterans' tax credit line items in section 1 of this Act if one line item does not have sufficient funds available for state reimbursement of eligible tax credits. The state tax commissioner shall notify the office of management and budget and the legislative council of any transfers made pursuant to this section.

SECTION 3. MOTOR VEHICLE FUEL TAX REVENUE TRANSFER. There is transferred to the general fund in the state treasury out of motor vehicle tax revenue collected pursuant to section 57-43.1-02, the sum of \$1,873,744, for the purpose of reimbursing the general fund for expenses incurred in the collection of the motor vehicle fuels and special fuels taxes and the administration of these taxes, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

SECTION 4. STATEWIDE LITIGATION FUNDING POOL - PAYMENT OF TAX COMMISSIONER LITIGATION-RELATED EXPENSES. The tax commissioner may submit litigation-related expenses to the attorney general which the attorney general shall pay from the statewide litigation funding pool for litigation expenses incurred by the tax commissioner, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021, and ending June 30, 2023.

SECTION 5. AMENDMENT. Section 57-01-04 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

57-01-04. Salary.

The annual salary of the state tax commissioner is one hundred ~~seventeen~~twenty-one thousand ~~eighty-seven~~eighty ~~eight~~hundred ~~fourteen~~fourteen dollars through June 30, ~~2020~~2022, and one hundred ~~twenty~~twenty-four thousand ~~fourteen~~two hundred ~~thirty~~fifty dollars thereafter.

Speaker of the House

President of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-seventh Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1006.

House Vote: Yeas 92 Nays 0 Absent 2

Senate Vote: Yeas 47 Nays 0 Absent 0

Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2021.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2021,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State