

**Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 3, 2023**

SENATE BILL NO. 2032
(Legislative Management)
(Higher Education Committee)

AN ACT to provide an appropriation to the department of public instruction for the paraprofessional-to-teacher program.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION - DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC INSTRUCTION - PARAPROFESSIONAL-TO-TEACHER PROGRAM. There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$3,000,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the department of public instruction for the purpose of providing grants to accredited institutions of higher education to assist paraprofessionals to become qualified teachers, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025. The department of public instruction may award up to \$20,000 to each qualifying institution for program startup and other administrative costs and the remainder of the appropriation may be used only for tuition and scholarships for students enrolled in the program. The department of public instruction may establish policies and procedures to administer this program.

President of the Senate

Speaker of the House

Secretary of the Senate

Chief Clerk of the House

This certifies that the within bill originated in the Senate of the Sixty-eighth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as Senate Bill No. 2032.

Senate Vote: Yeas 44 Nays 1 Absent 2

House Vote: Yeas 80 Nays 7 Absent 7

Secretary of the Senate

Received by the Governor at _____ M. on _____, 2023.

Approved at _____ M. on _____, 2023.

Governor

Filed in this office this _____ day of _____, 2023,

at _____ o'clock _____ M.

Secretary of State