

**FIRST ENGROSSMENT  
with House Amendments  
ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2288**

Introduced by

Senators K. Roers, Hogue

Representatives Boschee, Rohr

1 A BILL for an Act to create and enact section 15-10-48.2 of the North Dakota Century Code,  
2 relating to nursing program matching grants; and to provide an appropriation.

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

4 **SECTION 1.** Section 15-10-48.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted  
5 as follows:

6 **15-10-48.2. Nursing program matching grants.**

- 7 1. Subject to legislative appropriations, the state board of higher education shall award  
8 one dollar in matching grants for every two dollars raised by accredited institutions of  
9 higher education in this state for projects dedicated exclusively to the advancement of  
10 academics for each institution's nursing program.
- 11 2. To be eligible for a matching grant, an institution must demonstrate:
- 12 a. It has raised at least twenty-five thousand dollars in cash or monetary pledges for  
13 a qualifying project; and
- 14 b. The project has been approved by the grant review committee established in  
15 section 15-10-51.
- 16 3. a. The board shall consider each application submitted under this section in  
17 chronological order.
- 18 b. If the remaining dollars are insufficient to provide a matching grant in the amount  
19 of one dollar for every two dollars raised by the institution, the board shall award  
20 a lesser amount.

21 **SECTION 2. APPROPRIATION - STATE BOARD OF HIGHER EDUCATION - NURSING**  
22 **PROGRAM MATCHING GRANTS.** There is appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund  
23 in the state treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the sum of \$250,000, or so much of the sum  
24 as may be necessary, to the state board of higher education for the purpose of providing

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- 1 matching grants to providers of nursing education for projects dedicated exclusively to the
- 2 advancement of academics for nursing programs under section 15-10-48.2, for the biennium
- 3 beginning July 1, 2023, and ending June 30, 2025.