

**Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota
In Regular Session Commencing Tuesday, January 7, 2025**

HOUSE BILL NO. 1524
(Representatives Monson, Brandenburg, Kempenich, O'Brien, Ostlie, Pyle)
(Senators Kessel, Meyer, Myrdal, Barta, Lemm)

AN ACT to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to regional planning council grants from the department of commerce.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:

SECTION 1. A new section to chapter 54-60 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Regional planning council grants - Purpose.

The department may award grants to regional planning councils under chapter 54-40.1 to support local and regional implementation of state-authorized programs and initiatives, including housing, regional workforce, rural catalyst, local food and grocery, and other state-authorized programs, subject to legislative appropriations. The department may approve grants to support program implementation, resource development, and efforts to attract and leverage public or private investment in local and regional areas of the state.

Roli Weis
Speaker of the House

Kyle Davison
President of the Senate

Bruce J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Manda Morgan
Secretary of the Senate

This certifies that the within bill originated in the House of Representatives of the Sixty-ninth Legislative Assembly of North Dakota and is known on the records of that body as House Bill No. 1524.

House Vote: Yeas 70 Nays 20 Absent 4
Senate Vote: Yeas 36 Nays 10 Absent 1

Bruce J. Reich
Chief Clerk of the House

Received by the Governor at 9:12A M. on April 30th, 2025.

Approved at 1:21 P M. on May 1st, 2025.

[Signature]
Governor

Filed in this office this 2nd day of May, 2025,
at 11:01 o'clock A M.

Michael Howe
Secretary of State