

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2012

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1118-1125 of the Senate Journal and pages 1294-1301 of the House Journal and that Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2012 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 2, replace the second "and" with a comma and after "24-08" insert ", and section 57-43.1-03.2"

Page 1, line 4, replace the first "and" with a comma, replace "medal of honor" with "liberty memorial", and after "bridge" insert ", and refunds of certain fuels taxes paid by native Americans"

Page 1, line 5, replace "section" with "sections" and after "24-01-03" insert ", 24-01-51, 39-04-19, 57-40.3-10, 57-43.1-02, and 57-43.2-02"

Page 1, line 6, after "maintenance" insert " , haying of no-mow areas, motor vehicle registration fees, allocation of motor vehicle excise tax revenue, and motor vehicle fuels and special fuels tax rates; to repeal section 39-04-39.5 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to allocation of motor vehicle registration fees; to provide a temporary allocation; to provide an effective date; to provide a contingent expiration date; to provide an expiration date"

Page 1, line 24, replace "27,185,848" with "27,174,242"

Page 2, line 1, replace "20,048,706" with "20,035,352"

Page 2, line 2, replace "789,997,698" with "862,094,411"

Page 2, line 3, replace "43,271,158" with "43,268,038"

Page 2, line 4, replace "96,117,492" with "168,186,125"

Page 2, line 10, replace "27,185,848" with "27,174,242"

Page 2, line 11, replace "20,048,706" with "20,035,352"

Page 2, line 12, replace "789,997,698" with "862,094,411"

Page 2, line 13, replace "43,271,158" with "43,268,038"

Page 2, line 14, replace "880,503,410" with "952,572,043"

Page 2, line 28, after "maintenance" insert ", including structural maintenance and rehabilitation,"

Page 2, line 29, after "state" insert "unless an agreement is reached with the municipality"

Page 3, after line 10, insert:

"SECTION 6. AMENDMENT. Section 24-01-51 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

24-01-51. (Effective January 1, 2006 2008) Haying of no-mow areas.

Notwithstanding any other provision of law, a person owning land adjacent to an area within the right of way of a highway which is designated as a no-mow or managed-mow area may hay the no-mow or managed-mow area after July fifteenth without any payment or penalty."

Page 3, line 14, after "needed" insert "for the liberty memorial bridge improvement project and the United States highway 2 project improvements"

Page 4, line 9, replace "**Medal of honor**" with "**Liberty memorial**"

Page 4, line 10, replace "medal of honor" with "liberty memorial"

Page 4, after line 11, insert:

"SECTION 9. AMENDMENT. Section 39-04-19 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

39-04-19. Motor vehicle registration fees and mile tax. Motor vehicles required to pay registration fees or a mile tax shall pay the following fees:

1. Nonresidents electing to pay mile tax in lieu of registration, when authorized to do so by the department, shall pay a fee of twenty dollars for a trip permit which is valid for a period of seventy-two hours. All fees collected under the provisions of this subsection must be credited to the highway construction fund.
2. Motor vehicles required to be registered in this state must be furnished license plates upon the payment of the following annual fees; however, if a motor vehicle, including a motorcycle or trailer, first becomes subject to registration other than at the beginning of the registration period, such fees must be prorated on a monthly basis. The minimum fee charged hereunder must be five dollars:

a. Passenger motor vehicles:

Gross Weights	YEARS REGISTERED			
	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Years	7th, 8th, and 9th Years	10th, 11th, and 12th Years	13th and Subsequent Years
Less than 3,200	\$60 <u>\$75</u>	\$52 <u>\$67</u>	\$44 <u>\$59</u>	\$36 <u>\$51</u>
3,200 - 4,499	80 <u>95</u>	68 <u>83</u>	56 <u>71</u>	44 <u>59</u>
4,500 - 4,999	98 <u>113</u>	84 <u>96</u>	66 <u>81</u>	50 <u>65</u>
5,000 - 5,999	129 <u>144</u>	107 <u>122</u>	85 <u>100</u>	63 <u>78</u>
6,000 - 6,999	162 <u>177</u>	133 <u>148</u>	104 <u>119</u>	76 <u>91</u>
7,000 - 7,999	195 <u>210</u>	159 <u>174</u>	124 <u>139</u>	89 <u>104</u>
8,000 - 8,999	228 <u>243</u>	186 <u>201</u>	144 <u>159</u>	102 <u>117</u>
9,000 and over	264 <u>276</u>	212 <u>227</u>	164 <u>179</u>	115 <u>130</u>

A house car is subject to registration at the rates prescribed for other vehicles under this subdivision modified by using the weight applicable to a vehicle whose weight is forty percent of that of the house car, but not using a weight of less than four thousand pounds [1814.35 kilograms].

A pickup truck is subject to registration at the rates prescribed for other vehicles under this subdivision by applying the shipping weight of the vehicle to the fee schedule. At a minimum, the registered gross weight displayed on the registration card for a pickup truck must be twice the shipping weight of the vehicle. Unless otherwise exempted by this chapter, the owner of a pickup truck shall request the registered gross weight of the pickup truck be increased to ensure the registered gross weight is sufficient to include the total weight of the vehicle and any load transported on or by the vehicle. For purposes of this subdivision, a pickup truck is a motor vehicle with a manufacturer's gross vehicle weight rating of less than eleven thousand five hundred pounds [5216.31 kilograms], with an unladen weight of less than eight thousand pounds [3628.74 kilograms], and which is equipped with an open box-type bed not exceeding nine feet [2.74 meters] in length.

- b. Schoolbuses, buses for hire, buses owned and operated by religious, charitable, or nonprofit organizations and used exclusively for religious, charitable, or other public nonprofit purposes, and trucks or combination trucks and trailers, including commercial and noncommercial trucks, except those trucks or combinations of trucks and trailers which qualify for registration under this subsection or subsection 5:

Gross Weights	YEARS REGISTERED				
	1st Through 6th Years	7th Through 9th Years	10th Through 12th Years	13th Through 19th Years	20th and Subsequent Years
Not over 4,000	\$58 \$73	\$45 \$60	\$40 \$55	\$37 \$52	\$36 \$51
4,001 - 6,000	63 78	50 65	44 59	38 53	37 52
6,001 - 8,000	68 83	55 70	48 63	39 54	38 53
8,001 - 10,000	73 88	60 75	52 67	44 56	40 55
10,001 - 12,000	78 93	65 80	56 71	43 58	42 57
12,001 - 14,000	83 98	70 85	60 75	46 61	45 60
14,001 - 16,000	88 103	75 90	64 79	49 64	48 63
16,001 - 18,000	93 108	80 95	68 83	54 66	50 65
18,001 - 20,000	96 111	83 98	70 85	52 67	54 66

Gross Weights	YEARS REGISTERED		
	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, 6th, and 7th Years	8th, 9th, 10th, 11th, and 12th Years	13th and Subsequent Years
20,001 - 22,000	\$126 \$141	\$100 \$115	\$87 \$102
22,001 - 26,000	178 193	148 163	132 147
26,001 - 30,000	239 254	197 212	175 190
30,001 - 34,000	305 320	250 265	222 237
34,001 - 38,000	366 381	299 314	265 280
38,001 - 42,000	427 442	348 363	307 322
42,001 - 46,000	488 503	396 411	350 365
46,001 - 50,000	549 564	445 460	393 408
50,001 - 54,000	610 625	493 508	434 449
54,001 - 58,000	670 685	542 557	477 492
58,001 - 62,000	732 747	591 606	519 534
62,001 - 66,000	792 807	640 655	562 577
66,001 - 70,000	853 868	689 704	605 620
70,001 - 74,000	914 929	737 752	648 663
74,001 - 78,000	975 990	786 801	691 706
78,001 - 82,000	1,036 1,051	835 850	734 749
82,001 - 86,000	1,097 1,112	884 899	777 792
86,001 - 90,000	1,158 1,173	933 948	820 835
90,001 - 94,000	1,219 1,234	982 997	863 878
94,001 - 98,000	1,280 1,295	1,031 1,046	906 921

98,001 - 102,000	4,657 <u>1,672</u>	4,368 <u>1,383</u>	4,180 <u>1,195</u>
102,001 - 105,500	4,779 <u>1,794</u>	4,473 <u>1,488</u>	4,267 <u>1,282</u>

c. Motorcycles, fifteen dollars.

3. Motor vehicles acquired by disabled veterans under the provisions of Public Law 79-663 [38 U.S.C. 3901] are exempt from the payment of state sales or use tax and, if paid, such veterans are entitled to a refund. This exemption also applies to any passenger motor vehicle or pickup truck not exceeding ten thousand pounds [4535.92 kilograms] gross weight but shall apply to no more than two such motor vehicles owned by a disabled veteran at any one time.
4. Every trailer, semitrailer, and farm trailer required to be registered under this chapter must be furnished registration plates upon the payment of a twenty dollar annual fee. Every trailer, semitrailer, or farm trailer not required to be registered under this chapter must be furnished an identification plate upon the payment of a fee of five dollars. Upon the request of a person with a trailer or farm trailer to whom a registration or identification plate is provided under this subsection, the department shall provide a plate of the same size as provided for a motorcycle. The department shall provide notification of this option to the person before the replacement or issuance of the plate.
5. Trucks or combinations of trucks and trailers weighing more than twenty thousand but not more than one hundred five thousand five hundred pounds [more than 9071.84 but not more than 47854.00 kilograms] which are used as farm vehicles only, are entitled to registration under the following fee schedule and the provisions of this subsection. Farm vehicles are considered, for the purpose of this subsection, as trucks or combinations of trucks and trailers weighing more than twenty thousand but not more than one hundred five thousand five hundred pounds [more than 9071.84 but not more than 47854.00 kilograms] owned, or leased for at least one year by a bona fide resident farmer who uses the vehicles exclusively for transporting the farmer's own property or other property on a farm work exchange basis with other farmers between farms and the usual local trading places but not in connection with any commercial retail or wholesale business being conducted from those farms, nor otherwise for hire. In addition to the penalty provided in section 39-04-41, any person violating this subsection shall license for the entire license period the farm vehicle at the higher commercial vehicle rate in accordance with the weight carried by the farm vehicle at the time of the violation.

YEARS REGISTERED

Gross Weights	1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th, and 6th Years	7th and 8th Years	9th and 10th Years	11th and Subsequent Years
20,001 - 22,000	\$98 <u>\$113</u>	\$84 <u>\$99</u>	\$70 <u>\$85</u>	\$52 <u>\$67</u>
22,001 - 24,000	403 <u>118</u>	88 <u>103</u>	73 <u>88</u>	54 <u>69</u>
24,001 - 26,000	444 <u>126</u>	94 <u>109</u>	77 <u>92</u>	56 <u>71</u>
26,001 - 28,000	422 <u>137</u>	402 <u>117</u>	83 <u>98</u>	60 <u>75</u>
28,001 - 30,000	434 <u>146</u>	440 <u>125</u>	89 <u>104</u>	64 <u>79</u>
30,001 - 32,000	446 <u>161</u>	423 <u>138</u>	400 <u>115</u>	73 <u>88</u>
32,001 - 34,000	456 <u>171</u>	434 <u>146</u>	406 <u>121</u>	77 <u>92</u>
34,001 - 36,000	466 <u>181</u>	439 <u>154</u>	442 <u>127</u>	84 <u>96</u>
36,001 - 38,000	476 <u>191</u>	447 <u>162</u>	448 <u>133</u>	85 <u>100</u>
38,001 - 40,000	486 <u>201</u>	455 <u>170</u>	424 <u>139</u>	89 <u>104</u>
40,001 - 42,000	496 <u>211</u>	463 <u>178</u>	430 <u>145</u>	93 <u>108</u>
42,001 - 44,000	206 <u>221</u>	474 <u>186</u>	436 <u>151</u>	97 <u>112</u>
44,001 - 46,000	246 <u>231</u>	479 <u>194</u>	442 <u>157</u>	404 <u>116</u>
46,001 - 48,000	226 <u>241</u>	487 <u>202</u>	448 <u>163</u>	405 <u>120</u>

48,001 - 50,000	236 251	495 210	454 169	409 124
50,001 - 52,000	256 271	243 228	470 185	423 138
52,001 - 54,000	266 281	224 236	476 191	427 142
54,001 - 56,000	276 291	229 244	482 197	434 146
56,001 - 58,000	286 301	237 252	488 203	435 150
58,001 - 60,000	296 311	245 260	494 209	439 154
60,001 - 62,000	306 321	253 268	200 215	443 158
62,001 - 64,000	316 331	264 276	206 221	447 162
64,001 - 66,000	326 341	269 284	212 227	454 166
66,001 - 68,000	336 351	277 292	218 233	455 170
68,001 - 70,000	346 361	285 300	224 239	459 174
70,001 - 72,000	356 371	293 308	230 245	463 178
72,001 - 74,000	366 381	304 316	236 251	467 182
74,001 - 76,000	376 391	309 324	242 257	474 186
76,001 - 78,000	386 401	317 332	248 263	475 190
78,001 - 80,000	396 411	325 340	254 269	479 194
80,001 - 82,000	406 421	333 348	260 275	483 198
82,001 - 84,000	416 431	355 370	303 318	259 274
84,001 - 86,000	436 451	372 387	317 332	274 286
86,001 - 88,000	456 471	389 404	334 346	283 298
88,001 - 90,000	476 491	406 421	345 360	295 310
90,001 - 92,000	496 511	423 438	359 374	307 322
92,001 - 94,000	516 531	440 455	373 388	319 334
94,001 - 96,000	536 551	457 472	387 402	334 346
96,001 - 98,000	556 571	474 489	401 416	343 358
98,001 - 100,000	576 591	491 506	415 430	355 370
100,001 - 102,000	596 611	508 523	429 444	367 382
102,001 - 104,000	616 631	525 540	443 458	379 394
104,001 - 105,500	636 651	542 557	457 472	394 406

6. A motor vehicle registered in subsection 5 may be used for custom combining operations by displaying identification issued by the department and upon payment of a fee of twenty-five dollars.
7. Three dollars of each registration fee collected under subsections 2 and 5 must be deposited in the state highway fund.

SECTION 10. AMENDMENT. Section 57-40.3-10 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

57-40.3-10. Transfer of revenue. All moneys collected and received under this chapter must be transmitted monthly by the director of the department of transportation to the state treasurer to be transferred and credited to the general fund. However, the director of the department of transportation shall transfer to the state treasurer for deposit in the state highway fund any amount of motor vehicle excise tax received in excess of one hundred forty-eight million four hundred eight thousand six hundred ninety-six dollars during a biennium.

SECTION 11. AMENDMENT. Section 57-43.1-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

57-43.1-02. Tax imposed on motor vehicle fuels.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this section, a tax of ~~twenty-one~~ twenty-two cents per gallon [3.79 liters] is imposed on all motor vehicle fuel sold or used in this state.
2. A supplier or distributor shall remit the tax imposed by this section on motor vehicle fuel used, on the wholesale distribution of motor vehicle fuel to a retailer, and on direct sales of motor vehicle fuel to a consumer.

3. The tax imposed by this section does not apply on a sale by a supplier to another supplier, on a sale by a supplier to a distributor, on a sale by a distributor to another distributor, on an export, or on a sale to an exempt consumer.
4. The person required to remit the tax imposed by this section shall pass the tax on to the retailer and to the consumer. A retailer who paid the tax to the supplier or distributor shall pass the tax on to the consumer.
5. The person required to remit the tax imposed by this section shall pay the tax to the commissioner by the twenty-fifth day of the calendar month after the month during which the motor vehicle fuel was sold or used by the person. When the twenty-fifth day of the calendar month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is the first working day after the Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. When payment is made by mail, the payment is timely if the envelope containing the payment is postmarked by the United States postal service or other postal carrier service before midnight of the due date.
6. The commissioner shall pay over all of the money received during each calendar month to the state treasurer.

SECTION 12. Section 57-43.1-03.2 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

57-43.1-03.2. Refund of tax for fuel purchased by native Americans - Fuels tax refund reserve fund - Continuing appropriation.

1. A native American may file a claim with the tax commissioner for a refund of motor vehicle fuel taxes paid by that person under this chapter or special fuel taxes paid under chapter 57-43.2 if the motor vehicle fuel or special fuel was purchased from a retail fuel dealer located on the Indian reservation where the native American is an enrolled member and the fuel was delivered to the native American on that reservation. The refund provisions of this chapter apply to refund claims made under this section.
2. A fuels tax refund reserve fund is created as a special fund in the state treasury. The tax commissioner shall deposit in that fund such amounts from motor vehicle fuel tax and special fuel tax collections as the attorney general determines necessary to be expended for refunds to which native American government entities may be entitled under qualifying circumstances and conditions determined by the attorney general. There is appropriated as a continuing appropriation out of funds set aside under this subsection so much of the funds as the attorney general determines is necessary to meet the expenditures authorized under this subsection and such funds may be expended for that purpose.

SECTION 13. AMENDMENT. Section 57-43.2-02 of the North Dakota Century Code is amended and reenacted as follows:

57-43.2-02. (Contingent effective date - See note - Effective through June 30, 2005) Tax imposed.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, an excise tax of twenty-one cents per gallon [3.79 liters] is imposed on the sale or delivery of all special fuel sold or used in this state. For the purpose of determining the tax upon compressed natural gas under this section, one hundred twenty cubic feet [3.40 cubic meters] of compressed natural gas is equal to one gallon [3.79 liters] of other special fuel. The tax under this subsection is reduced by

one and five-hundredths cents per gallon [3.79 liters] on the sale or delivery of diesel fuel that contains at least two percent biodiesel fuel by weight.

2. A supplier, distributor, or retailer shall remit the tax imposed by this section on special fuel used and on direct sales of special fuel to a customer.
3. The tax imposed by this section does not apply on sales by a supplier to another supplier, on a sale by a supplier to a distributor, on a sale by a distributor to another distributor, on a sale by a distributor to a retailer, on an export, or on a sale to an exempt consumer.
4. The person required to remit the tax imposed by this section shall pass the tax on to the customer.
5. The person required to remit the tax imposed by this section shall pay the tax to the commissioner by the twenty-fifth day of the calendar month after the month during which the special fuel was sold or used by the person. When the twenty-fifth day of the calendar month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is the first working day after the Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. When payment is made by mail, the payment is timely if the envelope containing the payment is postmarked by the United States postal service or other postal carrier service before midnight of the due date.
6. The commissioner shall pay over all of the money received during each calendar month to the state treasurer.

(Effective after June 30, 2005) Tax imposed.

1. Except as otherwise provided in this chapter, an excise tax of ~~twenty-one~~ twenty-two cents per gallon [3.79 liters] is imposed on the sale or delivery of all special fuel sold or used in this state. For the purpose of determining the tax upon compressed natural gas under this section, one hundred twenty cubic feet [3.40 cubic meters] of compressed natural gas is equal to one gallon [3.79 liters] of other special fuel.
2. A supplier, distributor, or retailer shall remit the tax imposed by this section on special fuel used and on direct sales of special fuel to a customer.
3. The tax imposed by this section does not apply on sales by a supplier to another supplier, on a sale by a supplier to a distributor, on a sale by a distributor to another distributor, on a sale by a distributor to a retailer, on an export, or on a sale to an exempt consumer.
4. The person required to remit the tax imposed by this section shall pass the tax on to the customer.
5. The person required to remit the tax imposed by this section shall pay the tax to the commissioner by the twenty-fifth day of the calendar month after the month during which the special fuel was sold or used by the person. When the twenty-fifth day of the calendar month falls on a Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday, the due date is the first working day after the Saturday, Sunday, or legal holiday. When payment is made by mail, the payment is timely if the envelope containing the payment is postmarked by the United States postal service or other postal carrier service before midnight of the due date.
6. The commissioner shall pay over all of the money received during each calendar month to the state treasurer.

SECTION 14. TEMPORARY ALLOCATION. Fifteen dollars of each registration fee collected under subsections 2 and 5 of section 39-04-19 and any increase resulting from the reclassification of pickup trucks from subdivision b of subsection 2 to subdivision a of subsection 2 of section 39-04-19 must be deposited in the state highway fund. One cent of the fuels and special fuels tax imposed under sections 57-43.1-02 and 57-43.2-02 must be deposited in the state highway fund.

SECTION 15. REPEAL. Section 39-04-39.5 of the North Dakota Century Code is repealed.

SECTION 16. EFFECTIVE DATE - CONTINGENT EXPIRATION DATE. Section 12 of this Act is effective for qualifying motor vehicle and special fuel purchases made after December 31, 2004, and is effective until the first day of the first month after the tax commissioner, with the approval of the attorney general, certifies to the governor and the office of the legislative council that an Act of Congress has specifically authorized, or a United States Supreme Court decision has held or may be interpreted to have held, that a state may impose its motor vehicle and special fuel tax laws on native Americans who purchase motor vehicle fuels and special fuels from a retail fuel dealer located on the Indian reservation where the native American is enrolled. Sections 9, 10, 11, and 13 of this Act are effective for registrations and taxable events occurring after June 30, 2005. Section 15 of this Act is effective for registrations occurring after June 30, 2005.

SECTION 17. EXPIRATION DATE. Section 14 of this Act is effective through June 30, 2006, and after that date is ineffective."

Page 4, line 12, replace "6" with "7"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2012 - Department of Transportation - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	HOUSE VERSION	COMPARISON TO HOUSE
Administration	\$27,227,294	\$27,185,848	(\$11,606)	\$27,174,242	\$27,174,242	
Driver's and Vehicle Services	20,081,797	20,048,706	(13,354)	20,035,352	20,035,352	
Highways	736,823,693	789,997,698	72,096,713	862,094,411	863,094,411	(\$1,000,000)
Fleet Services	43,280,168	43,271,158	(3,120)	43,268,038	43,268,038	
Total all funds	\$827,412,952	\$880,503,410	\$72,068,633	\$952,572,043	\$953,572,043	(\$1,000,000)
Less estimated income	<u>827,412,952</u>	<u>880,503,410</u>	<u>72,068,633</u>	<u>952,572,043</u>	<u>953,572,043</u>	<u>(1,000,000)</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	1044.50	1044.50	0.00	1044.50	1044.50	0.00

Dept. 801 - Department of Transportation - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE	ADDS FUNDING FOR ONE CALL 1	ADDS HIGHWAY CONSTRUCTION FUNDS 2	ADDS FUNDING FOR EMERGENCY RELIEF PROJECTS 3	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Administration	(\$11,606)				(\$11,606)
Driver's and Vehicle Services	(13,354)				(13,354)
Highways	(100,589)	\$168,520	\$17,900,000	\$54,128,782	72,096,713
Fleet Services	(3,120)				(3,120)
Total all funds	(\$128,669)	\$168,520	\$17,900,000	\$54,128,782	\$72,068,633
Less estimated income	<u>(128,669)</u>	<u>168,520</u>	<u>17,900,000</u>	<u>54,128,782</u>	<u>72,068,633</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ The highways line item is increased by \$168,520 from the highway fund for costs of complying with provisions of Senate Bill No. 2209 which require the department to provide data on the location of utilities on highway rights of way, the same as the House version.

² The highways line item is increased by \$17,900,000, of which \$15,900,000 is federal funds and \$2,000,000 is from the highway fund for highway projects in anticipation of receiving \$202.3 million of federal highway construction funds in federal fiscal year 2005 and \$205 million in federal fiscal year 2006, the same as the House version.

³ The highways line item is increased by \$54,128,782, of which \$43,968,332 is federal funds, \$8,472,520 is state matching, and \$1,687,930 is from the counties for emergency relief projects on highways, the same as the House version.

A section is added providing for refunds of fuels taxes paid by Native Americans.

The section added by the Senate requiring the department to maintain bridges over navigable waters in the state that it is currently maintaining is changed to clarify that the department is required to provide maintenance on these bridges, unless the department enters into an agreement with the municipality. The House version required the department to maintain the structural integrity of these bridges unless the department enters into an agreement with the municipality.

A section is added delaying the effective date from January 1, 2006, to January 1, 2008, of provisions allowing a landowner owning land next to a no-mow area to hay the no-mow or managed-mow area after July 15 without payment or penalty, the same as the House version.

The section added by the Senate authorizing the department to issue grant anticipation revenue vehicle (GARVEE) bonds is changed to limit the authorization to only the Liberty Memorial Bridge project and the United States Highway 2 project, the same as the House version.

The section added by the Senate naming the replacement bridge for the Liberty Memorial Bridge between Bismarck and Mandan the Medal of Honor Bridge is changed to name the replacement bridge the Liberty Memorial Bridge, the same as the House version.

Sections are added providing additional state highway revenue beginning in the 2005-07 biennium by:

- Increasing the motor vehicle fuel (gasoline and gasohol) and special fuels (diesel) tax rate by 1 cent per gallon, from 21 to 22 cents. This revenue will be deposited in the state highway fund during the first year of the biennium and in the highway tax distribution fund beginning the second year.
- Making pickup registration fees equivalent to passenger vehicles. This revenue will be deposited in the state highway fund during the first year of the biennium and in the highway tax distribution fund beginning the second year.
- Increasing annual motor vehicle registration fees by \$15. This revenue will be deposited in the state highway fund during the first year of the biennium providing a total of \$18 of each registration fee that is deposited directly in the highway fund and in the highway tax distribution fund during the second year providing a total of \$3 of each registration fee that is deposited directly in the highway fund.

A section is added allocating motor vehicle excise tax revenues between the general fund and the state highway fund. State aid distribution fund allocations from motor vehicle excise tax collections are not affected.

The following provisions included in the House version for generating additional state highway revenue are removed:

- Increasing the motor vehicle fuel (gasoline and gasohol) and special fuels (diesel) tax rate by 2 cents per gallon, from 21 to 23 cents for deposit in the highway tax distribution fund.
- Increasing the motor vehicle fuel (gasoline and gasohol) tax rate by an additional 2 cents per gallon, from 23 to 25 cents each year during the months of May through October, for deposit in the highway tax distribution fund.
- Increasing annual motor vehicle registration fees by \$10, for deposit directly in the state highway fund providing a total of \$13 of each registration fee that is deposited directly in the highway fund.

Sections added by the House are removed which would have provided that effective July 1, 2009, collections from 1 percent of the current 5 percent motor vehicle excise tax that would have been deposited in the state highway fund rather than in the state aid distribution fund and the general fund.

The section added by the House is removed which would have precluded cities and counties from receiving the additional revenue resulting from provisions of this bill until they develop, in collaboration with the Department of Transportation, a roadway plan. Provisions added by the House are also removed which would have provided \$1 million to the Department of Transportation from funds transferred from the cities' and counties' share of the additional revenue generated by this bill for the development of a roadway plan for cities and counties.