

## NDDOT Budget contains township funding

We've been highlighting the efforts of the NDDOT in **House Bill 1012** to enhance township road funding in our Capitol Updates. This week, more details have emerged what that will actually look like as the Session winds down.

With only 20 days remaining to finalize the budget, the Senate Appropriations Government Operations Division amended HB 1012 as it came from the House, and sent it to the full Appropriations Committee for consideration.

As of now, the idea is to take the Motor Vehicle Excise Tax and place 50% of that into the newly-created Flexible Transportation Fund, and up to \$100M into the Highway Tax Distribution Fund. This money will be disbursed according to current formulas. The thought is if the total distributed is larger, political subdivisions will ALL get more funds. Negotiations on exactly how much county and bridge funding will be appropriated are still ongoing.

## Prairie Dog funding bill passes House

**Senate Bill 2367** disburses oil and gas revenues from the State into various "buckets." As the buckets fill up with tax revenue, the next bucket fills and so forth. The "prairie dog" buckets, which provide infrastructure payments to political subdivisions are expected to fill this biennium due to robust oil and gas revenues that are projected.

## NDTOA Bill Tracking Update

<a href="#">HB 1012</a>	NDDOT Budget; includes \$115M DOT "flex funding"	Support: <i>In Sen. Appropriations Cmte</i>
<a href="#">HB 1379</a>	Legacy Fund earnings; including \$100M for township and country bridge funding	Passed House; <i>In Sen. Approps Cmte</i>
<a href="#">SB 2367</a>	<b>Oil &amp; Gas revenue disbursement bill, continues "Prairie Dog" funding for townships &amp; counties</b>	<b>Passed Senate; Passed House</b>

## Emergency snow removal bill signed; as April storm bears down on State

**Senate Bill 2183** provides emergency snow removal grants to political subdivisions and tribal communities. The bill saw several formulas during the process, ultimately it was passed and signed by Governor Burgum on April 4, just as the first flakes of snow fell in Bismarck this past week.

Townships who may qualify for additional funding have until May 31 to apply, and should contact their county emergency service office for further information and assistance.



Additionally, there will be a webinar offered on Monday, April 10 by the State Emergency Services department. A link to the webinar can be found here:

**[LINK TO THE INFORMATION OVERVIEW, MONDAY APRIL 10, 10:00 AM TO 11:30 AM CENTRAL](#)**

**This webinar will be recorded and posted on YouTube, please find the link on [www.ndtoa.com](http://www.ndtoa.com)**

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