



Joint Committee on Appropriations
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May 27, 2020

Mr. Nick Wendell, Executive Director
Board of Technical Education
925 East Sioux Avenue
Pierre, SD 57501

Letter of Intent Regarding One-Time Funding for Technical College Equipment

Dear Mr. Wendell,

This Letter of Intent sets forth a particular view held by the Joint Committee on Appropriations (JCA) in approving your appropriation in the 2020 Legislative session. As such, this Letter of Intent seeks to supplement that legislation with specific policy guidance as approved on May 27, 2020.

While the guidance does not have the direct force of statutory law, it rests solidly on a long-standing tradition of Legislative-Executive relationships in South Dakota and it will be used by the Joint Committee as one basis for the fiscal oversight of your agency and its continued funding.

The 2020 South Dakota Legislature, through the revised FY2020 General Appropriations Act (Senate Bill 38), approved \$1.5 million in one-time general funds for technical college equipment purchases. It is the intent of the JCA that this funding supports 67% of the equipment costs while local funding supports 33% of equipment costs. The JCA also requests a report be provided no later than November 1, 2020, detailing the following information regarding the equipment purchased with this funding:

- Description of equipment purchased;
- Technical college and program supported by equipment; and
- State funds, local funds, and total funds utilized for each equipment purchase.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Representative Chris Karr
Lead Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Appropriations

Senator John Wiik
Co-Chair, Joint Committee on Appropriations

cc: Marty Guindon, Auditor General
Liza Clark, Commissioner, Bureau of Finance and Management