School for the Deaf Budget 252 Senate Bill No. 2013

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2003-05 legislative appropriation	51.85	\$5,073,242	\$871,449	\$5,944,691
2001-03 legislative appropriation	53.10	5,070,479	1,095,624	6,166,103
2003-05 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2001-03 appropriation	(1.25)	\$2,763	(\$224,175)	(\$221,412)

Item Description

Organizational status.

Status/Result

In 2002 the Department of Public Instruction commissioned Roger Worner Associates, Inc., Sartell, Minnesota, to complete a followup report to the organizational status study of the school conducted in 1998. In response to one of the recommendations from the followup report, the school established a blue ribbon task force consisting of 30 members from the community, state agencies who have a vested interest in the school, and staff from the school. The task force is in the process of reviewing changes to the school's mission to allow the school to expand services to more of the state's population. The task force anticipates providing a report regarding suggested changes to the Department of Public Instruction in June 2004.