STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1021 - Funding Summary

	Executive Budget	Final Legislative Action	Comparison To Executive Budget
Workforce Safety and Insurance			
Workforce Safety and Insurance	\$54,455,605	\$56,877,605	\$2,422,000
Total all funds	\$54,455,605	\$56,877,605	\$2,422,000
Less estimated income	54,455,605	56,877,605	2,422,000
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	237.14	247.14	10.00
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$54,455,605	\$56,877,605	\$2,422,000
Less estimated income	54,455,605	56,877,605	2,422,000
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	237.14	247.14	10.00

House Bill No. 1021 - Workforce Safety and Insurance - House Action

	Executive	House	House
	Budget	Changes	Version
Workforce Safety and Insurance	\$54,455,605	\$309,942	\$54,765,547
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$54,455,605	\$309,942	\$54,765,547
	54,455,605	309,942	54,765,547
	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	237.14	10.00	247.14

Department 485 - Workforce Safety and Insurance - Detail of House Changes

	Reduces Funding for Anticipated Salary Savings ¹	Provides Funding for Additional FTE Positions ²	Total House Changes
Workforce Safety and Insurance	(1,045,058)	1,355,000	309,942
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	(\$1,045,058) (1,045,058) \$0	\$1,355,000 1,355,000 \$0	\$309,942 309,942 \$0
FTE	0.00	10.00	10.00

¹ This amendment reduces salaries and wages funding to recognize anticipated savings from vacant positions and employee turnover.

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² This amendment allows the director of Workforce Safety and Insurance to hire up to 10 additional FTE positions upon a determination that employees are needed to facilitate the economic and efficient administration of the agency's vocational rehabilitation program and provides a \$1,355,000 special funds appropriation for the additional FTE positions.

House Bill No. 1021 - Workforce Safety and Insurance - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Workforce Safety and Insurance	\$54,455,605	\$54,765,547	\$2,112,058	\$56,877,605
Total all funds	\$54,455,605	\$54,765,547	\$2,112,058	\$56,877,605
Less estimated income	54,455,605	54,765,547	2,112,058	56,877,605
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	237.14	247.14	0.00	247.14

Department 485 - Workforce Safety and Insurance - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Funding Relating to Anticipated Salary Savings ¹	Increases Funding Relating to Information Technology Project ²	Provides Funding for Study of Post Retirement Benefits ³	Total Senate Changes
Workforce Safety and Insurance	1,045,058	1,017,000	50,000	2,112,058
Total all funds Less estimated income General fund	\$1,045,058 1,045,058 \$0	\$1,017,000 1,017,000 \$0	\$50,000 50,000 \$0	\$2,112,058 2,112,058 \$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

This amendment restores funding for salaries and wages removed by the House to recognize anticipated savings from vacant positions and employee turnover.

This amendment also adds a section to create a new section to North Dakota Century Code Chapter 65-02 relating to providing a continuing appropriation for litigation expenses relating to employer and medical provider issues.

House Bill No. 1021 - Workforce Safety and Insurance - Conference Committee Action

The House acceded to the Senate amendments.

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This amendment increases funding relating to the reauthorization of funding for the agency's information technology transformation program by \$1,017,000, from \$6,000,000 to \$7,017,000. The Legislative Assembly provided an appropriation of \$14 million for the project for the 2007-09 biennium. At the time the agency submitted its budget request, the agency estimated that \$8 million of the \$14 million would be spent during the 2007-09 biennium and \$6 million during the 2009-11 biennium. At the present time, the agency estimates \$6,983,000 will be spent for the project during the 2007-09 biennium and funding of \$7,017,000 will be needed for the 2009-11 biennium.

This amendment provides funding of \$50,000 from special funds for costs associated with the study of postretirement benefits provided for in 2009 House Bill No. 1525.