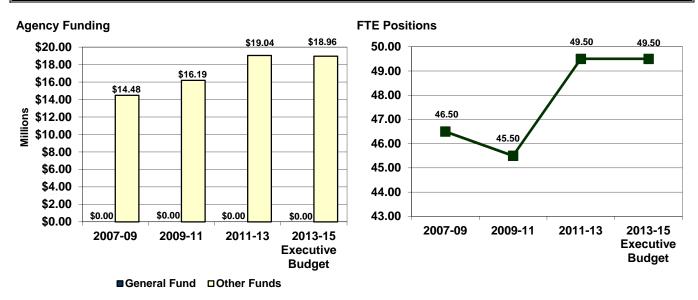
Department 401 - Insurance Commissioner, Including Insurance Tax Payments to Fire Departments House Bill No. 1010

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2013-15 Executive Budget	49.50	\$0	\$18,958,734	\$18,958,734
2011-13 Legislative Appropriations	49.50	0	19,044,080	19,044,080
Increase (Decrease)	0.00	\$0	(\$85,346)	(\$85,346)



First House Action

Attached is a summary of the first house changes.

Executive Budget Highlights (With First House Changes in Bold)

	, ,	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1.	Provides an increase in funding from the insurance tax distribution fund for grants to fire districts to provide a total of \$7,000,000. The House removed this funding.		\$800,000	\$800,000
2.	Provides funding for state employee salary increases, of which \$322,722 relates to performance increases and \$137,266 is for market equity adjustments. The House added \$37,503 to correct the executive compensation package and reduced funding by \$194,282 relating to performance and market equity increases.		\$459,988	\$459,988
3.	Removes one-time funding for the American health benefit exchange to be used in the 2011-13 biennium for exchange planning		(\$1,000,000)	(\$1,000,000)
4.	Removes one-time funding appropriated during the 2011-13 biennium for information technology equipment		(\$70,000)	(\$70,000)
5.	Decreases funding relating to operating expenses		(\$690,892)	(\$690,892)

Other Sections in Bill

Insurance premium tax collections uses - Section 2 designates \$7,000,000 for payments to fire departments and \$670,000 for payments to the North Dakota Firefighter's Association. **The House removed this section.**

Bonding fund - Section 3 designates \$45,199 from the state bonding fund to pay bonding fund administrative expenses.

Fire and tornado fund - Section 4 designates \$1,722,929 from the state fire and tornado fund, including \$170,000 for a grant to the North Dakota Firefighter's Association and \$1,552,929 to pay fire and tornado fund administrative expenses. **The House removed the \$170,000 grant to the North Dakota Firefighter's Association.**

Unsatisfied judgment fund - Section 5 designates \$28,690 from the state unsatisfied judgment fund to pay unsatisfied judgment fund administrative expenses.

Petroleum release compensation fund - Section 6 designates \$107,598 from the state petroleum release compensation fund to pay petroleum release compensation fund administrative expenses.

Insurance Commissioner's salary - Provides the statutory changes necessary to increase the Insurance Commissioner's salary as follows: The House adjusted the Insurance Commissioner's salary from a 4 percent increase to a 3 percent increase per year which would provide for an annual salary of \$95,863 beginning July 1, 2013, and \$98,739 beginning July 1, 2014.

Annual salary authorized by the Legislative Assembly in 2011:

July 1, 2011 July 1, 2012	\$90,360
July 1, 2012	\$93,701

Proposed annual salary recommendation in the 2013-15 executive budget:

July 1, 2013 July 1, 2014	\$96,793
July 1, 2014	\$100,665

The executive recommendation provides funding for elected officials' salary increases equal to 4 percent of salaries effective July 1, 2013, and 4 percent effective July 1, 2014.

Continuing Appropriations

There are no continuing appropriations for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

There are no significant audit findings for this agency.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1034 - Legislative Management study - Health care reform - Provides for a Legislative Management study on health care reform during the 2013-14 interim

House Bill No. 1145 - Appropriates \$15,336,386 from the insurance tax distribution fund to the Insurance Department for insurance tax payments to fire departments and grants to the North Dakota Firefighter's Association

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STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1010 - Funding Summary

	Executive Budget	House Changes	House Version
Insurance Department			
Salaries and wages	\$8,260,726	(\$376,576)	\$7,884,150
Operating expenses	2,858,008		2,858,008
Grants	7,840,000	(7,840,000)	
Accrued leave payments		163,182	163,182
Total all funds	\$18,958,734	(\$8,053,394)	\$10,905,340
Less estimated income	18,958,734	(8,053,394)	10,905,340
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	49.50	0.00	49.50
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$18,958,734	(\$8,053,394)	\$10,905,340
Less estimated income	18,958,734	(8,053,394)	10,905,340
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	49.50	0.00	49.50

House Bill No. 1010 - Insurance Department - House Action

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General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	49.50	0.00	49.50

Department 401 - Insurance Department - Detail of House Changes

	Corrects Executive Compensation Package ¹	Adjusts State Employee Compensation and Benefits Package ²	Provides Separate Line Item for Accrued Leave Payments ³	Removes Grants Line Item ⁴	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages Operating expenses	37,503	(250,897)	(163,182)		(376,576)
Grants				(7,840,000)	(7,840,000)
Accrued leave payments			163,182		163,182
Total all funds	\$37,503	(\$250,897)	\$0	(\$7,840,000)	(\$8,053,394)
Less estimated income	37,503	(250,897)	0	(7,840,000)	(8,053,394)
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Funding is added due to a calculation error in the executive compensation package.

- Reduces the performance component from 3 to 5 percent per year to 2 to 4 percent per year.
- Reduces the market component from 2 to 4 percent per year for employees below the midpoint of their salary range to up to 2 percent for employees in the first quartile of their salary range for the first year of the biennium only.

² This amendment adjusts the state employee compensation and benefits package as follows:

- Removes funding for additional retirement contribution increases.
- ³ A portion of funding for permanent employees compensation and benefits is reallocated to an accrued leave payments line item for paying annual leave and sick leave for eligible employees.
- ⁴ This amendment removes \$7,670,000 from the insurance tax distribution fund for grants to fire departments (\$7 million) and the North Dakota Firefighter's Association (\$670,000). The amendment also removes \$170,000 from the fire and tornado fund for grants to the North Dakota Firefighter's Association.

Section 7 is changed to reduce the Insurance Commissioner's annual salary increase from 4 to 3 percent.