

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1003 - Attorney General - Senate Action**

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$27,668,657	\$24,824,285	\$2,710,736	\$27,535,021
Operating expenses	14,204,579	13,426,505	972,440	14,398,945
Capital assets	2,391,187	2,391,187		2,391,187
Grants	3,559,225	3,559,225	(178,000)	3,381,225
Litigation fees	50,000	50,000		50,000
Medical examinations	250,000	250,000		250,000
North Dakota Lottery	3,584,388	3,584,388		3,584,388
Arrest and return of fugitives	10,000	10,000		10,000
Gaming Commission	6,141	6,141		6,141
Federal fiscal stimulus funds			3,123,884	3,123,884
Total all funds	\$51,724,177	\$48,101,731	\$6,629,060	\$54,730,791
Less estimated income	21,908,977	21,910,610	3,006,216	24,916,826
General fund	\$29,815,200	\$26,191,121	\$3,622,844	\$29,813,965
FTE	198.50	191.00	16.50	207.50

Department No. 125 - Attorney General - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Salary Equity Funding¹	Restores Funding for Salaries²	Restores FTE Forensic Scientist³	Restores FTE Legal Staff⁴	Adds Evidence Technician⁵	Adds FTE Forensic Scientist⁶
Salaries and wages	\$1,369,859	\$799,095	\$119,919	\$156,387	\$81,053	\$119,919
Operating expenses			63,705	75,000	63,706	70,433
Capital assets						
Grants						
Litigation fees						
Medical examinations						
North Dakota Lottery						
Arrest and return of fugitives						
Gaming Commission						
Federal fiscal stimulus funds						
Total all funds	\$1,369,859	\$799,095	\$183,624	\$231,387	\$144,759	\$190,352
Less estimated income	144,416	186,271	42,680	0	0	0
General fund	\$1,225,443	\$612,824	\$140,944	\$231,387	\$144,759	\$190,352
FTE	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00	1.00	1.00

	Adds Funding for Sobriety Program⁷	Reduces Funding for Grants⁸	Increases Funding for Operating Expenses⁹	Adds FTE Concealed Weapons Permit Administrator¹⁰	Adds Funding for Cigarette Testing¹¹	Reduces Funding for Travel¹²
Salaries and wages				\$64,504		
Operating expenses	229,826		472,309	117,461	80,000	(200,000)
Capital assets						
Grants		(178,000)				
Litigation fees						
Medical examinations						
North Dakota Lottery						
Arrest and return of fugitives						
Gaming Commission						
Federal fiscal stimulus funds						
Total all funds	\$229,826	(\$178,000)	\$472,309	\$181,965	\$80,000	(\$200,000)
Less estimated income	0	(178,000)	(375,000)	181,965	80,000	(200,000)
General fund	\$229,826	\$0	\$847,309	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.50	0.00	0.00
	Appropriates Federal Fiscal Stimulus Funds¹³	Total Senate Changes				
Salaries and wages		\$2,710,736				
Operating expenses		972,440				
Capital assets						
Grants		(178,000)				
Litigation fees						
Medical examinations						
North Dakota Lottery						
Arrest and return of fugitives						
Gaming Commission						
Federal fiscal stimulus funds	3,123,884	3,123,884				
Total all funds	\$3,123,884	\$6,629,060				
Less estimated income	3,123,884	3,006,216				
General fund	\$0	\$3,622,844				
FTE	12.00	16.50				

¹ This amendment restores salary equity funding removed by the House.

² This amendment restores salaries and wages funding relating to anticipated savings from vacant positions and employee turnover removed by the House.

³ This amendment restores 1 new FTE forensic scientist position removed by the House.

⁴ This amendment restores 1 new FTE legal staff position to assist with civil commitments.

⁵ One FTE evidence technician is added to assist with DNA evidence collections.

⁶ One FTE forensic scientist position is added to assist with blood, breath, and urine alcohol tests and missing persons investigations.

⁷ Funding for the 24/7 sobriety program is added.

⁸ This amendment reduces funding for grants due to a reduction in pull tab excise taxes in accordance with provisions of 2009 House Bill No. 1317.

⁹ This amendment restores funding for operating expenses removed in the executive recommendation (\$168,287), restores funding removed by the House (\$204,298), and adds funding for Crime Laboratory service contracts (\$99,722). The amendment also restores the general fund support for operating expenses included in the executive recommendation (\$375,000). The House increased funding support from federal funds and decreased funding support from the general fund by \$375,000.

¹⁰ This amendment adds a .5 FTE position for a concealed weapons permit administrator.

¹¹ This amendment adds operating funds for the State Fire Marshal to conduct testing related to reduced ignition propensity standards for cigarettes.

¹² This amendment reduces funding for travel. A legislative intent section is added that the Attorney General continue the practice of state agencies paying directly for requested legal services staff travel.

¹³ This amendment appropriates federal fiscal stimulus funds from the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009 for Edward J. Byrne Memorial Justice Assistance Grant funding (\$1,652,426 and 4 FTE positions), Internet Crimes Against Children Grant funding (\$216,174 and 1 FTE position), community oriented policing services funding (\$864,696 and 4 FTE positions), and Rural Law Enforcement Assistance Act funding (\$390,588 and 3 FTE positions).

This amendment adds sections relating to appropriation of federal fiscal stimulus funds and removes a section of the bill relating to DNA testing.

Section 9 of this bill is changed to correct the date relating to the second-year salary increase for the Attorney General and to provide that beginning in July 2011 the salary of the Attorney General be the same as a North Dakota Supreme Court justice.

A section is added allowing the Attorney General to retain the June 30, 2009, balance in the Attorney General refund fund rather than transferring it to the general fund.