

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**Senate Bill No. 2023 - Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigent - House Action**

	Executive Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Comm. on Legal Counsel for Indigents	\$11,928,876	\$11,425,600	(\$99,404)	\$11,326,196
Total all funds	\$11,928,876	\$11,425,600	(\$99,404)	\$11,326,196
Less estimated income	<u>2,453,493</u>	<u>1,950,217</u>	<u>(94,169)</u>	<u>1,856,048</u>
General fund	\$9,475,383	\$9,475,383	(\$5,235)	\$9,470,148
FTE	33.00	30.00	(0.50)	29.50

Department No. 188 - Commission on Legal Counsel for Indigent - Detail of House Changes

	Removes Salary Equity Funding¹	Removes .5 FTE Position²	Total House Changes
Comm. on Legal Counsel for Indigents	(\$5,235)	(\$94,169)	(\$99,404)
Total all funds	(\$5,235)	(\$94,169)	(\$99,404)
Less estimated income	<u>0</u>	<u>(94,169)</u>	<u>(94,169)</u>
General fund	(\$5,235)	\$0	(\$5,235)
FTE	0.00	(0.50)	(0.50)

¹ This amendment removes salary equity funding included in the executive recommendation.

² The finance-related FTE position included in the executive recommendation is reduced to a half-time position.

This amendment creates a new section to North Dakota Century Code Chapter 54-61 relating to contracting for public defenders.