Council on the Arts House Bill No. 1010

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2003-05 executive budget (bills as introduced)	5.00	\$1,030,971	\$1,222,215	\$2,253,186
2003-05 legislative appropriations	5.00	1,004,403	1,222,215	2,226,618
Legislative increase (decrease) to executive budget	0.00	(\$26,568)	\$0	(\$26,568)
Legislative increase (decrease) to 2001-03 appropriations	0.00	\$21,975	\$169,986	\$191,961

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS

Salaries and Wages

The legislative action affecting the recommended appropriation for the Council on the Arts is in accordance with legislative salary and fringe benefits guidelines as contained in Senate Bill No. 2423, which allows agencies to provide salary increases of up to 1 percent on January 1, 2004, and up to 2 percent on January 1, 2005, to be funded in part from pooled savings accumulated from agency FTE position reductions.

Major Items						
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total		
The legislative action:						
Removed funding recommended in the executive budget for state employee salary increases		(\$4,577)		(\$4,577)		
Reduced funding recommended in the executive budget for state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 to \$488.70 per month per policy		(516)		(516)		
Reduced funding for information technology. The amount reduced represents a reduction in information technology funding of approximately 5 percent.		(1,475)		(1,475)		
Decreased funding for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item		(20,000)		(20,000)		
Total	0.00	(\$26,568)	\$0	(\$26,568)		

FTE Changes

The Legislative Assembly did not change the executive recommendation which included funding for 5 FTE positions, the same as the 2001-03 biennium.

Lewis and Clark Bicentennial

The Legislative Assembly reduced the executive recommendation by \$20,000 to provide \$163,750 from the general fund, \$11,198 less than the 2001-03 biennium appropriation of \$174,948, for grants and other costs relating to Lewis and Clark Bicentennial activities.

Other Sections in Bill

Cultural endowment fund appropriation - Section 2 provides that all income from the cultural endowment fund is appropriated to the Council on the Arts for the furthering of the cultural arts in the state.