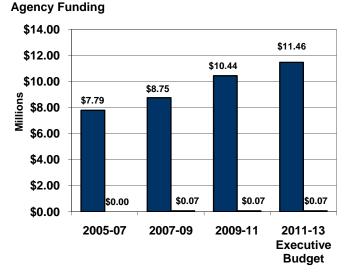
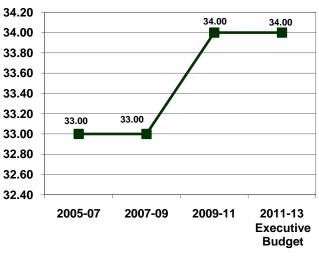
## Department 160 - Legislative Council House Bill No. 1001

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2011-13 Executive Budget	34.00	\$11,461,158	\$70,000	\$11,531,158
2009-11 Legislative Appropriations	34.00	10,439,503	70,000	10,509,503
Increase (Decrease)	0.00	\$1,021,655	\$0	\$1,021,655







General Fund Other Funds

## **Ongoing and One-Time General Fund Appropriations**

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2011-13 Executive Budget	\$10,489,593	\$634,807	\$11,124,400
2009-11 Legislative Appropriations	10,269,503	170,000	10,439,503
Increase (Decrease)	\$220,090	\$464,807	\$684,897

## **First House Action**

Attached is a summary of first house changes.

# Executive Budget Highlights (With First House Changes in Bold)

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
<ol> <li>Adds funding for increasing legislator per diem from \$148 per day to \$152 per day for fiscal year 2012 and \$157 per day for fiscal year 2013</li> </ol>	\$36,471		\$36,471
<ol> <li>Adds funding for increasing legislator per diem (\$25,150) and travel (\$31,140) relating to increased interim committee membership and increased lodging reimbursement rates</li> </ol>	\$56,290		\$56,290
<ol> <li>Continues funding for performance pay adjustments (total of \$55,000)</li> </ol>	\$5,000		\$5,000
4. Adds funding for increasing the daily lodging reimbursement from \$63 per night plus tax to \$70 plus tax for fiscal year 2012 and \$77 plus tax for fiscal year 2013	\$36,504		\$36,504
<ol> <li>Adds funding for other increases in travel such as attendance at Energy Council meetings, Council of State Governments meetings, and other out-of-state travel</li> </ol>	\$150,323		\$150,323
6. Decreases funding for information technology consulting	(\$280,750)		(\$280,750)
7. Adds one-time funding for office improvements	\$50,000		\$50,000

<ol> <li>Adds one-time funding for Administrative Code and website information technology projects</li> </ol>	\$483,807	\$483,807
9. Adds one-time funding for computer replacement	\$76,000	\$76,000
10. Adds one-time funding for office equipment replacement	\$25,000	\$25,000
<ol> <li>Removes one-time funding provided for the 2009-11 biennium relating primarily to the state employee compensation study, office improvements, and equipment replacements</li> </ol>	(\$170,000)	(\$170,000)

#### Other Sections in Bill

**Continuation of appropriation authority** - Section 4 provides that the unspent funds appropriated for the Legislative Assembly and the Legislative Council for the 2009-11 biennium be continued.

#### **Continuing Appropriations**

**Legislative services fund** - North Dakota Century Code Section 54-35-19 - This fund is used for depositing and spending funds relating to legislative information.

#### **Significant Audit Findings**

There are no significant audit findings for the Legislative Council.

#### **Major Related Legislation**

House Bill No. 1261 repeals the Legislative Compensation Commission.

**House Bill No. 1267** provides for the establishment of a Legislative Management redistricting committee, the implementation of a legislative redistricting plan, and a special legislative session.

**House Bill No. 1368** amends Sections 54-03-20 and 54-35-10 to increase legislative compensation by 3 percent per year for the 2011-13 biennium and repeals Sections 54-03-19.1 and 54-03-19.2 establishing the Legislative Compensation Commission.

**House Bill No. 1426** amends Section 44-08-04 to tie meal reimbursement rates to 65 percent of the rate established by the United States General Services Administration. This change is anticipated to increase the meal reimbursement amount from \$25 to \$29.90 per day.

**Senate Bill No. 2004** requires the Legislative Management to contract with a national private accounting firm for a performance audit of the State Auditor's office. The bill includes a \$100,000 general fund appropriation to the Legislative Council for the cost of the audit.

Senate Bill No. 2169 provides that the Legislative Council is to record the audio of floor sessions based on rules adopted by the House and the Senate. The Legislative Council is to also archive all recordings and make the recordings available to the public.

Senate Bill No. 2053 extends the Committee on Tribal and State Relations.

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