

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**Senate Bill No. 2010 - Council on the Arts - Conference Committee Action**

	Base Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Salaries and wages	\$1,222,195	\$1,400,122	\$235,000	\$1,635,122	\$1,562,209	\$72,913
New and vacant FTE pool		16,519		16,519	172,014	(155,495)
Operating expenses	674,093	679,093		679,093	679,093	
Grants	2,355,342	2,336,801		2,336,801	2,336,801	
Total all funds	\$4,251,630	\$4,432,535	\$235,000	\$4,667,535	\$4,750,117	(\$82,582)
Less estimated income	1,880,000	1,880,000	150,000	2,030,000	2,030,000	0
General fund	\$2,371,630	\$2,552,535	\$85,000	\$2,637,535	\$2,720,117	(\$82,582)
FTE	6.00	6.00	0.00	6.00	7.00	(1.00)

Department 709 - Council on the Arts - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Adds Funding for Temporary Positions ¹	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages	\$235,000	\$235,000
New and vacant FTE pool		
Operating expenses		
Grants		
Total all funds	\$235,000	\$235,000
Less estimated income	150,000	150,000
General fund	\$85,000	\$85,000
FTE	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding of \$235,000, including \$85,000 from the general fund and \$150,000 from federal funds is added for 2 temporary positions, including a part-time grants program officer and a full-time Arts Across the Prairie position. The House added funding from the general fund for a new FTE grants program officer position and \$150,000 from federal funds for a temporary Arts Across the Prairie position.

This amendment also:

- Authorizes the Council on the Arts to utilize the accrued interest earned on moneys designated for maintenance in the cultural endowment fund, estimated to be approximately \$300,000, for construction, site preparation, and installation of Arts Across the Prairie projects. The Senate authorized \$190,000 for construction of Arts Across the Prairie projects and the House authorized \$380,000 for construction and \$454,142 for site preparation and installation of Arts Across the Prairie projects.
- Designates \$20,000 from the grants line item to provide \$10,000 each for the state troubadour and the poet laureate. The House designated \$15,000 each for the state troubadour and the poet laureate.
- Authorizes \$25,000 of general fund carryover for accrued leave payouts, the same as the House. This will reduce general fund revenue available for the 2025-27 biennium by \$25,000.