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SB 2020

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2020

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date January 10, 2003

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#1		X	1113-5450
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Jan Hendrickson</i>			

Minutes:

Senator Holmberg, chairman called the hearing open on SB 2020. Appropriations for the State Historical Society of North Dakota.

Merl Paaverud, Director of the State Historical Society testified in behalf of SB 2020. Testimony attached (Exhibit #1)

He gave some history including that on January 9, 1901 outgoing Lt. Governor Joseph Devine filling in for the ailing Governor Frederick Fancer recommended appropriating only \$797,900 for the operations of state government for the biennium. Mr. Paaverud recommended that we return to that level of spending.

The State Historical is the state's collector for history. Several articles were shown that have been found recently in the state. (#1250).

Question:#1537): Can Historical society restore old documents so that you can read it? Answer:  
We can only stabilize them.

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(#1909) Mr. Paaverud continued with an agency overview (Testimony attached, Exhibit #1).

He talked about the number of staff, 55 full time staff, 35 seasonal staff and 180 volunteers. They are responsible for 56 state historic sites, the Pembina State Museum, the State Archives and Historical Research Library, the State Museum Collection, the State Archeology Collections and operations at the North Dakota Heritage Center.

They are the leader in preserving state history, historic preservation and supporting educational activities that benefit schools, residents and visitors to ND.

Some statistics for the biennium:

--Over 470,00 people visited the museums and historic sites.

--3600 students from around the state had access to the SEND Trunks program (Suitcase

Exhibits of North Dakota)

--48,275 viewed the TIES exhibits (Traveling Interpretive Exhibits)

--26,000 researchers used the State Archives and Historical Research library

--Provided reference services and access to the state's extensive collections

--Maintained the Web page that averaged 1073 visits per day.

--Snow Angels event on the Capitol Mall that was entered in the Guinness World Record Snow Angels which was a record with 1791 people.

Several services were mentioned relating to the historical preservation.

A number of projects were completed, which included:

--Fort Buford, Fort Totten, Fort Clark, Fort Abercrombie, Camp Hancock, Chateau de Mores, Double Ditch, and other projects outlined in Exhibit #1.

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Projects in progress included Sakkakawea Statue Project, Era of Change, Missouri-Yellowstone Confluence Interpretive Center at Fort Buford, Lewis and Clark projects, and others as outlined in Exhibit #1

Optional adjustments in their budget: They would like \$62,210 for 2 more additional half time FTE positions to convert two longtime temporary positions to regular status. They would also like almost \$61,000 to fund a portion of the agency's Information Technology plan, almost \$12,000 for expenses relating to the State Historical Commission and approximately \$30,000 for short term lease for storage during the biennium. Capital assets included \$250,000 additional authority to allow for the expenditure of federal and other funds for renovation of the Carriage House associated with the former Governor's Mansion State Historic site. \$87,000 additional general funds to repair the Chimney Park portion of the Chateau de Mores State Historic Site. Another \$40,000 additional general fund authority for interpretive signage at state historic sites. \$225,000 in additional general fund authority for Fort Buford Officer's Quarters exhibits. This was a section of their budget that they would like to have further discussion involving flexibility and use of funds to further address their permanent storage problems.

They would also like \$1,025,295 for Lewis & Clark funding as outlined in the Lewis & Clark Advisory Report Update.

Questions/clarifications: (#2951)

Senator Holmberg clarified that the Optional Adjustments that you are talking about are already in the budget, they are not an enhancement. The only thing you would like this committee to look at would be some discussion involving flexibility and use of funds to further address their permanent storage problems. Answer: Yes that is correct.

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Further questions:

--Bag farm, volunteers, potential for more exhibits in the Capital during the sessions (the reason that more can't be done is that there is concern about temps, security, etc.); Is there still interest in expanding the Heritage Center--it is about a \$30 million dollar project, there is support for an expansion. Questions regarding the Renaissance projects and if any friction between locals and Historic department. Any conflict with modern day fire codes, and building codes? Answers to these included everyone is working together to make these projects work, there are some code restrictions, but we try to make them and there are different rules for historical work.

Senator Holmberg stated that the subcommittee would be meeting to make recommendations to the full committee. They are: Senator Andrist, chair; Senator Schobinger, and Senator Tallackson.

(#4060) Virginia Nelson, Executive Director of the State Historical Society of ND. Her testimony is Exhibit #2. Ms. Nelson stated that our history is one of the most important resources of North Dakota for tourism. 'This information needs to be marketed. We need to market what we have. They have been asking people across ND what they want from the State Historical Society? They want day trip tours, partnership and development in schools, regional brochures, Lewis & Clark issues; Web Site link; Signage, Events; programming; communications; Community training and visitor centers. These are things the Historical Society is doing these things now, but we need to do more. Any town can build a mall but every town's history is different from its neighbors and difference is becoming increasingly important in the competitive tourism market. The key attraction here is nature and the natural environment. People want river rafting, canoeing, mountain biking rock climbing, hiking, fishing, hunting,

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photo safaris, etc. But we need to invest. You lead with your lead card, which is history in the state of North Dakota. Visitors to historic sites spend 2.5 times more money and stay longer than other travelers. There is a 10 times return when visitors come for history. People will stay a day longer, spend a little more money, etc. What is needed is for this committee to express their confidence that this is good for North Dakota. Ms. Nelson's job is to bring the private sector into this project which she pledges she will do.

Other testimony was from Tracy Potter, Executive Director, Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation on the Lewis & Clark Budget Enhancements (Exhibit #3).

(5433) Hearing closed on SB 202 with no other testimony given.

# 2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2020 vote

Senate Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 2-10-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
2	x		715-1595 -517
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Sandra Dawson</i>			

Minutes: Chairman Holmberg opened the hearing to SB 2020. A bill relating to appropriation for the State Historical Society of North Dakota. Senator Andrist presented the committee with amendments (38043.0103) and explained them. (Meter 795) There was a voice vote for the amendment with a motion from Senator Andrist and a second by Senator Tallackson. (Meter 754) Senator Christmann asked Senator Andrist a question: the hundred thousand dollars from Lewis and Clark Bicentennial, does a million twenty five thousand in the bill appropriated for that, that is a half a million dollars less than what they asked for. Chairman Holmberg clarified that was a one time spending. Allen Knudson also verified that amount as did Sandy Paulson. (Meter 903) Senator Andrist continued to detail the expenses. Discussion continued about the appropriation about the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial that would or would not affect the appropriation. None of the projects were bad but some money could be cut. The voting went as follows for a Do Pass as amended, 12 yeas, 2 nays - the amendments passed. A motion was made

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by Senator Andrist for a Do Pass as amended and seconded by Senator Tallackson. To be carried

by Senator Andrist.

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for  
Senator Andrist  
February 10, 2003

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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 2020

Page 1, line 10, replace "5,135,558" with "5,083,969"

Page 1, line 12, replace "889,544" with "827,044"

Page 1, line 15, replace "1,025,295" with "923,953"

Page 1, line 16, replace "9,289,030" with "9,073,599"

Page 1, line 18, replace "7,370,488" with "7,155,057"

Page 2, after line 3, insert:

"SECTION 4. COMPACT STORAGE UNITS. The state historical society may spend moneys appropriated in the capital assets line item in section 1 of this Act to purchase compact storage units, for the period beginning with the effective date of this Act and ending June 30, 2005."

Page 2, line 4, after "1" insert "and section 4" and replace "is" with "are"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2020 - State Historical Society - Senate Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE CHANGES	SENATE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$5,135,558	(\$51,589)	\$5,083,969
Operating expenses	1,234,141		1,234,141
Capital assets	889,544	(82,500)	827,044
Grants	1,000,000		1,000,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission	4,492		4,492
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	1,025,295	101,342	923,953
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	(\$215,431)	\$9,073,599
Less estimated income	1,918,542		1,918,542
General fund	\$7,370,488	(\$215,431)	\$7,155,057
FTE	57.00	0.00	57.00

Dept. 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Senate Changes

	REMOVES RECOMMENDED SALARY INCREASE 1	DECREASES FUNDING FOR CAPITAL ASSETS LINE ITEM 2	DECREASES FUNDING FOR LEWIS AND CLARK BICENTENNIAL LINE ITEM	TOTAL SENATE CHANGES
Salaries and wages	(\$51,589)			(\$51,589)
Operating expenses				
Capital assets		(\$82,500)		(82,500)
Grants				
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission				
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	(1,342)		(\$100,000)	(101,342)
Total all funds	(\$52,931)	(\$82,500)	(\$100,000)	(\$215,431)
Less special funds				

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General fund	(\$52,931)	(\$62,500)	(\$100,000)	(\$216,431)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

1 This amendment removes the Governor's recommendation for state employee salary increases and retains the recommended state payment for health insurance premiums.

2 This amendment reduces the capital assets line item. The department may determine the specific project funding to be reduced.

This amendment also adds a section authorizing the State Historical Society to use moneys appropriated in the capital assets line item to purchase compact storage units.

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Amendment

Date: 2-10-03  
Roll Call Vote #: 1

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
BILL/RESOLUTION NO.

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Legislative Council Amendment Number 38043.0103

Action Taken Do PASS (Amendment)

Motion Made By Andrist Seconded By Tallackson

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
Senator Holmberg, Chairman					
Senator Bowman, Vice Chair					
Senator Grindberg, Vice Chair					
Senator Andrist					
Senator Christmann					
Senator Kilzer					
Senator Krauter					
Senator Kringstad					
Senator Lindaas					
Senator Mathern					
Senator Robinson					
Senator Schobinger					
Senator Tallackson					
Senator Thane					

Total (Yes) 19 No 2

Absent \_\_\_\_\_

Floor Assignment \_\_\_\_\_

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent:

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Action Taken Do Pass as AmendmentMotion Made By Andrist Seconded By Tallackson

Senators	Yes	No	Senators	Yes	No
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Senator Mathern	✓				
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Senator Schobinger	✓				
Senator Tallackson	✓				
Senator Thane	✓				

Total (Yes) 14 No 0Absent 0Floor Assignment Andrist

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
February 11, 2003 12:03 p.m.

Module No: SR-26-2263  
Carrier: Andrist  
Insert LC: 38043.0103 Title: .0200

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

SB 2020: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends  
**AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS**  
(14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 0 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2020 was placed on the Sixth  
order on the calendar.

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BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2020

House Appropriations Committee  
Education and Environment Division

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Hearing Date March 3, 2003

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
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Committee Clerk Signature <i>Celste Keller</i>			

Minutes:

**Chairman Martinson** opened the hearing on SB 2020, State Historical Society. All members of the committee were present with the exception of Rep. Wald.

**Merl Paaverud**, Director of the State Historical Society of North Dakota, testified in favor of SB 2020. See testimony attached.

**Rep. Aarsvold** On page 3 you talk about the staff providing services to the state and developing 27 housing units, could you explain what this is?

**Paaverud** What we do is we give money out for reusing historic buildings so that it can be made into livable space. Many people may not know we just don't deal with preservation, but we deal with reuse of buildings and it is working out pretty good. We try to save some old buildings every biennium.

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**John Von Rueden**, President of State Historical Society of North Dakota, testified in favor of SB 2020. He discussed the value the book "A Traveler's Companion to North Dakota State Historic Sites, 2nd Edition" is to North Dakota tourism to bring money into North Dakota we never had. He stressed the need for support to sell North Dakota's history because there will be many returns. He characterized North Dakota as "the next destination" and stated that the money is a small investment in what it could bring.

**Virginia Nelsen**, Executive Director of the State Historical Society Foundation, testified in favor of SB 2020. **See testimony attached.** She stated the foundation board believes that tourism and the State Historical Society is a resource for North Dakota that needs to be enhanced and funded more adequately, and needs to fall into a planned format to make a difference for North Dakota in tourism and all the resources that we have.

**Rep. Gulleeson** I know you had a relationship problem with some folks up in the Northwest corner regarding the naming of that historical site there. What are doing to meet with those local people and come to a consensus?

**Merl Paaverud** We are very aware of that and we are working with the local folks trying to find out what caused it and why it went that way. The problem we are having is it was named two years ago and we have been using that to promote the center. To change that now would really derail some of our marketing efforts. There are many people that are very concerned about that and are working with us. We are in communication with folks trying to find a solution for that because it is a great project.

**Rep. Gulleeson** When you say you are in communication and working on it, have you gone up there and had a local meeting and had them all come in and express their concerns?

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**Paaverud** Not at this point because when this came up we were not aware of it until a resolution was brought up that this was going to be brought here to the session. We have been writing information back and forth trying to be in contact with the folks that are involved and ultimately we will have to go up there and do this, but it is a hard situation.

**Rep. Gulleason** I would recommend that as your first course of action. I just don't believe in letters or electronic communication and I think you need to get them all in a room and try to work it through.

**Rep. Rennerfeldt** Speaking of this resolution that came up, I didn't realize there was a problem up there. I know early on there was discussion about selecting a name but I didn't hear from anyone up there. In visiting a lot of people there, I gather it is just a small group that is pushing this issue and a majority of the people think the project needs to go forward with the help of the State Historical Society. It was news to me when this came about and a lot of other people were very upset and curious as to where this resolution came from and the need for it. Hopefully we can get this resolved and move forward. I think the name is the one that is most fitting for that site.

**Rep. Aarsvold** I was appointed to the commission that dealt with the space concerns of the historical society and I have to say it was a wonderful education for me. It was a great experience to work on that commission and they do indeed have a real need out there. The second thing that I want to mention is I drive by two historical sites twice a week. Fort Arnold north of Oriska and Sibley Crossing at Buffalo Creek. Those have not been well kept. It concerns me that a tourist coming to North Dakota and having a bad experience like that when they enter the state discourages them from staying on longer. I don't know how we can adjust

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our priorities in terms of maintaining those sites, but I would hope that we would make an effort to do so because I think that it does discourage tourism, activity and historical interest.

**Paaverud** You are exactly right and this has been a concern for us for years. One of the efforts with this book was to provide to people so they can read about it and see what they would see out there, but our signage situation has been very challenging. We are making some headway thanks to the support we get here and from other places. We are putting signs up on those sites so that people can see what is going on out there. Department of Transportation has also been very receptive in helping us out with signage. We have a signage committee now that extends from the park service through our agency and Department of Transportation. We are getting something that we can go forward with and have a way to respond out there. We are putting up signs at some of the sites and we want to continue that. We are asking for \$40,000 to continue that effort so that we can provide that service.

**Rep. Aarsvold** I don't intend this to be a criticism of the society because I know the problem has to do with resources. You maximize the resources you do have and I do appreciate that. I do think we can do better as a state.

**Paaverud** I agree.

**Chairman Martinson** I have to applaud you for moving in the direction that you are moving. I think it is absolutely wonderful that you are proactive and getting into the areas that you are getting into now. I personally appreciate that attitude. You are absolutely right, that's what people want to do. Rather than just go over and go through your wonderful building, to be able to go up to Pembina and take part in a dig. Keep it up.

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Paaverud We are able to do that because of staff and partnerships with the North Dakota Geological Survey and the state parks and tourism.

John Von Rueden In response to Rep. Gulleason. The board only has four regular meetings a year. We had one of our meetings in Williston and we invited all of these people and were actually there for two days. They were very gracious in explaining all of this. At the time they knew of the naming of the historic site. There was some discussion about it but nobody seemed to be up in arms so we proceeded as we do in a formal board with resolutions and thought everything was going fine. What surprised us was the, you might say, attack in the Williston paper. I think the media should have sat down with us and told us what the people said to get our side of it.

Chairman Martinson closed the hearing on SB 2020.

2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2020

House Appropriations Committee  
Education and Environment Division

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Hearing Date March 24, 2003

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	X		
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Crista Keller</i>			

Minutes:

**Chairman Martinson** opened the hearing on SB 2020, State Historical Society. All members of the committee were present. Chairman Martinson proceeded to give an overview of the amendments to SB 2020.

**Rep. Brusegaard** Where did the other \$50,000 come from? You said \$25,000 was new general fund money?

**Chairman Martinson** \$75,000. \$25,000 is the carry over.

**Rep. Monson** Page 1, line 13 looks like it went up by \$300,000, what was that?

**Chairman Martinson** Are you looking at the amendment or the bill?

**Rep. Monson** I am looking at the amendment with the bill.

**Chairman Martinson** On page 1 line 13, they have received money from the federal government and that's called the Veterans Oral History Project, so that's special fund that we

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allow them to spend. From a general fund standpoint the only thing we added in there was the \$75,000 for the cultural heritage grants. Otherwise, except for those changes in allowing them to transfer from line items, the bill is the same as it came from the Senate. We didn't reduce anything we added in.

**Rep. Wald** I am not against it, but what is the Veterans Oral History Project?

**Chairman Martinson** That is money that has come from the federal government that will allow them to set up a program where they will hire some people to go and interview veterans on cassettes for their library.

**Rep. Guleson** It is a project that was set up by the Smithsonian Institute to be able to retain a history of the World War II veterans. I think most of this money is really going to go primarily to the purchasing of the necessary supplies. They are going to try to use a lot of the college English classes to actually go and do the interviews so that they have the opportunity to listen to those stories and then put it down for history.

**Rep. Wald** This is World War II only?

**Rep. Guleson** I believe so.

**Rep. Aarsvold** On the \$75,000 grants, those are two local museums and historical groups and it requires a match on the part of those local groups to put together projects that meet certain criteria established by the historical board.

**Rep. Aarsvold** moved the amendments and Rep. Rennerfeldt seconded.

**Chairman Martinson** took a voice vote for the adoption of the amendments and the motion carried.

**Rep. Brusegaard** Moved a do pass as amended and Rep. Rennerfeldt seconded.

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**ROLL CALL VOTES ON A MOTION FOR A DO PASS AS AMENDED**

**7 YES      0 NO      0 ABSENT**

Chairman Martinson or Rep. Rennerfeldt will carry the bill.

Rep. Wald Is the Chimney Park repair in Medora?

Joe Morrisette, OMB Yes it is.

Chairman Martinson closed the hearing on SB 2020.



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BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2020

House Appropriations Committee

☐ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 04-02-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
2	X		32.0 - 35.0
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Chris S. Nelson</i>			

Minutes:

**Chairman Svedjan** Opened SB 2020 for discussion. A quorum was present.

**Rep. Martinson** I move amendment .0203 to SB 2020. 2nd by Rep. Aarsvold.

**Rep. Carlson** What is the amendment in section 5, lines 54-44.1-11.?

**Rep. Martinson** That is the carry over of turnback.

**Rep. Skarphol** Can they transfer the money to capital assets?

**Rep. Martinson** Yes. \$25,000 is cultural history, \$17,000 is for the interpretive center in Williston, and the remainder is left for the change of era project.

**Rep. Carlson** Don't we usually expect a rollback?

**Rep. Martinson** This isn't necessarily turnback.

**Rep. Carlson** Where did the money come from?

**Rep. Martinson** It was in their 01-03 blennium budget.

**Rep. Carlson** So isn't that turnback?

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House Appropriations Committee

Bill/Resolution Number SB 2020

Hearing Date 04-02-03

**Rep. Skarphol** Unexpended money at the end of a biennium is turnback.

**Rep. Rennerfeldt** The confluence building will be open in August.

**Motion Carries**

**Rep. Martinson** I move a Do Pass As Amended. 2nd by Rep. Wald. Motion Carries

**22-0-1. Rep. Rennerfeldt will carry this bill.**

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for  
Representative Martinson  
March 24, 2003

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2020

Page 1, line 12, replace "827,044" with "849,544"

Page 1, line 13, replace "1,000,000" with "1,300,000"

Page 1, after line 13, insert:

"Veterans oral history project	150,000
Cultural heritage grants	75,000"

Page 1, line 16, replace "9,073,599" with "9,621,099"

Page 1, line 17, replace "1,918,542" with "2,391,042"

Page 1, line 18, replace "7,155,057" with "7,230,057"

Page 2, after line 7, insert:

**"SECTION 5. EXEMPTION.** The state historical society's appropriation contained in section 1 of chapter 20 of the 2001 Session Laws is not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 in an amount of up to \$540,000, of which \$440,000 is from the general fund and \$100,000 is from special funds. Of the \$540,000, \$25,000 is for cultural heritage grants and \$515,000 is for the completion of the confluence center exhibits and the era of change exhibits.

**SECTION 6. LEWIS AND CLARK BICENTENNIAL LINE ITEM AND CAPITAL ASSETS LINE ITEM TRANSFERS.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state historical society may transfer funds between the Lewis and Clark bicentennial line item and the capital assets line item during the period beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005."

Page 2, line 8, after "item" insert ", \$300,000 of the grants line item relating to the federal historic preservation program, and the veterans oral history project line item"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2020 - State Historical Society - House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE VERSION	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$5,135,668	\$5,083,969		\$5,083,969
Operating expenses	1,234,141	1,234,141		1,234,141
Capital assets	889,544	827,044	\$22,500	849,544
Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000	300,000	1,300,000
Veterans Oral History Project			180,000	180,000
Cultural heritage grants			75,000	75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission	4,492	4,492		4,492
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	<u>1,026,295</u>	<u>923,953</u>		<u>923,953</u>
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	\$9,073,599	\$547,500	\$9,621,099
Less estimated income	<u>1,918,542</u>	<u>1,918,542</u>	<u>472,500</u>	<u>2,391,042</u>
General fund	\$7,370,488	\$7,155,057	\$75,000	\$7,230,057

FTE 67.00 57.00 0.00 57.00

Dept. 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of House Changes

	INCREASES FUNDING FOR CONFLUENCE CENTER EXHIBITS <sup>1</sup>	ADDS FUNDING FOR THE FEDERAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM <sup>2</sup>	ADDS FUNDING FOR THE VETERANS ORAL HISTORY PROJECT <sup>3</sup>	ADDS A NEW LINE ITEM FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE GRANTS	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages					
Operating expenses					
Capital assets	\$22,500				\$22,500
Grants		\$300,000			300,000
Veterans Oral History Project			\$150,000		150,000
Cultural heritage grants				\$75,000	75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission					
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial					
Total all funds	\$22,500	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$75,000	\$547,500
Less estimated income	<u>22,500</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>		<u>472,500</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000	\$75,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> This amendment increases funding for the Confluence Center exhibits due to the receipt of new federal funds.

<sup>2</sup> This amendment adds funding to the grants line item for new federal funds received for the historic preservation program.

<sup>3</sup> This amendment adds a new line item related to the receipt of new federal funds for the Veterans Oral History Project.

This amendment also adds a new section to allow for the carryover of \$540,000 for the completion of the Confluence Center exhibits, era of change exhibits, and for cultural heritage grants; adds a new section to allow the State Historical Society the flexibility to transfer funds between the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item and the capital assets line item; and to apply the emergency clause to the Veterans Oral History Project line item and \$300,000 of the grants line item relating to the federal historic preservation program.

Date: March 24, 2003  
Roll Call Vote #: 1

**2003 HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES**  
**BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2020**

House Appropriations Education/Environment Division Committee

☐ Check here for Conference Committee

Legislative Council Amendment Number LC # .0201

Action Taken DO PASS AS AMENDED

Motion Made By Rep. Brusegaard Seconded By Rep. Rennerfeldt

Representatives	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Representative Martinson	X				
Representative Brusegaard	X				
Representative Monson	X				
Representative Rennerfeldt	X				
Representative Wald	X				
Representative Aarsvoid	X				
Representative Gulleeson	X				

Total (Yes) 7 No 0

Absent 0

Floor Assignment Rep. Martinson or Rep. Rennerfeldt

If the vote is on an amendment, briefly indicate intent: See proposed amendments.

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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410)  
April 3, 2003 2:35 p.m.

Module No: HR-60-6680  
Carrier: Rennerfeldt  
Insert LC: 38043.0204 Title: .0300

**REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE**

SB 2020, as engrossed: Appropriations Committee (Rep. Svedjan, Chairman) recommends **AMENDMENTS AS FOLLOWS** and when so amended, recommends **DO PASS** (22 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). Engrossed SB 2020 was placed on the Sixth order on the calendar.

Page 1, line 2, after the semicolon insert "to provide an exemption; to provide for a transfer of funds;"

Page 1, line 10, replace "5,083,969" with "5,078,190"

Page 1, line 11, replace "1,234,141" with "1,177,595"

Page 1, line 12, replace "827,044" with "849,544"

Page 1, line 13, replace "1,000,000" with "1,300,000"

Page 1, after line 13, insert:  
"Veterans' oral history project 150,000  
Cultural heritage grants 75,000"

Page 1, line 15, replace "923,953" with "923,746"

Page 1, line 16, replace "9,073,599" with "9,558,567"

Page 1, line 17, replace "1,918,542" with "2,391,042"

Page 1, line 18, replace "7,155,057" with "7,167,525"

Page 2, after line 7, insert:

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Page 2, line 8, after "item" insert ", \$300,000 of the grants line item relating to the federal historic preservation program, and the veterans' oral history project line item"

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2020 - State Historical Society - House Action**

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE VERSION	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages	\$5,135,558	\$5,083,969	(\$5,779)	\$5,078,190
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HR-60-6680

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**Carrier: Rennerfeldt**  
**Insert LC: 38043.0204 Title: .0300**

Operating expenses	1,234,141	1,234,141	(58,546)	1,177,595
Capital assets	689,544	827,044	22,500	849,544
Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000	300,000	1,300,000
Veterans' Oral History Project			150,000	150,000
Cultural heritage grants			75,000	75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission	4,492	4,492		4,492
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	1,025,295	923,953	(207)	923,748
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	\$9,073,599	\$484,968	\$9,558,567
Less estimated income	1,918,542	1,918,542	472,500	2,391,042
General fund	\$7,370,488	\$7,155,057	\$12,468	\$7,167,525
FTE	57.00	57.00	0.00	57.00

**Dept. 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of House Changes**

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE <sup>1</sup>	REDUCES FUNDING FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COSTS <sup>2</sup>	INCREASES FUNDING FOR CONFLUENCE CENTER EXHIBITS <sup>3</sup>	ADDS FUNDING FOR FEDERAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM <sup>4</sup>	ADDS FUNDING FOR VETERANS' ORAL HISTORY PROJECT <sup>5</sup>	ADDS NEW LINE ITEM FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE GRANTS
Salaries and wages	(\$5,779)					
Operating expenses		(\$58,546)				
Capital assets			\$22,500			
Grants				\$300,000	\$150,000	\$75,000
Veterans' Oral History Project						
Cultural heritage grants						
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission						
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	(207)					
Total all funds	(\$5,986)	(\$58,546)	\$22,500	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$75,000
Less estimated income			22,500	300,000	150,000	
General fund	(\$5,986)	(\$58,546)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

**TOTAL  
HOUSE  
CHANGES**

Salaries and wages	(\$5,779)
Operating expenses	(\$58,546)
Capital assets	22,500
Grants	300,000
Veterans' Oral History Project	150,000
Cultural heritage grants	75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission	
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	(207)
Total all funds	\$484,968
Less estimated income	472,500
General fund	\$12,468
FTE	0.00

<sup>1</sup> This amendment reduces the funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 per month to \$488.70 per month.

<sup>2</sup> This amendment reduces funding for information technology by \$58,546 from the general fund which represents a reduction in information technology funding from the general fund of approximately 20 percent.

<sup>3</sup> This amendment increases funding for the Confluence Center exhibits due to the receipt of new federal money.

<sup>4</sup> This amendment adds funding to the grants line for new federal money received for the historic preservation program.

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This amendment also adds a new section to allow for the carryover of \$540,000 for the completion of the confluence exhibits, era of change exhibits, and for cultural heritage grants; adds a new section to allow the State Historical Society the flexibility to transfer funds between the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item and the capital assets line item; and adds the Veterans' Oral History Project line item and \$300,000 of the grants line item relating to the federal historic preservation program to the emergency clause.

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2003 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE

SB 2020

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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2020 Conference Committee

~~Senate Appropriations Committee~~

☒ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 4-10-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	X		3948 - end
		X	0 - 763
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Sandra Dawson</i>			

Minutes:

**Senator Andrist** opened the Conference Committee on SB 2020.

Attendance was taken indicating all members present including **Senators Andrist, Schobinger, Tallackson and Representatives Martinson, Rennerfeldt and Aarsvold.**

**Rep. Martinson** explained the House amendments stating a \$75,000 of new additional money was added for a cultural heritage grant. Other basic amendments will allow carry over line items so exhibits will be complete by the August grand opening in Williston and then the change of era exhibit could be held over until enough funds where available.

After some discussion it was decided the IT issue could not be discussed at this time because the decisions needed to be made by the leadership.

Discussion was held to the fact that although bonding for the addition to the Heritage Center is not being allowed, maybe money could be allotted to them for the preplanning of the addition.

Maybe this could be made available in another bill.

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Senate Appropriations Committee

Bill/Resolution Number SB 2020

Hearing Date 4-10-03

**Bob Schlobohm** presented to the committee with The Impact of Information Technology Reduction for the State Historical Society (See attached Exhibit #1 ).

Discussion was held if Legislative authorization is needed to move functions to a server, the number of servers available and the life expectancy of the servers.

Discussion was held as to the budget for the IT, that all agencies involved will be hurt but things should be done fairly. When the leadership has made their decisions the committee will then go ahead and do what is needed.

**Senator Schobinger** stated that other than the IT issue the amendments are okay with him.

**Senator Andrist** commented that if working the bill and taking out \$56,000 out for the IT, maybe they could reopen some of the line items as a possible source.

**Senator Andrist** closed the Conference Committee on SB 2020.

2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB 2020 Conference Committee Vote

Senate Appropriations Committee

☒ Conference Committee

Hearing Date 4-18-03

Tape Number	Side A	Side B	Meter #
1	X		0-600
Committee Clerk Signature <i>Sandra Dawson</i>			

Minutes: SENATOR LINDAAS sitting in for SENATOR TALLACKSON. All other members were present. CHAIRMAN ANDRIST spoke to Stephanie Johnson from Legislative Council about the proposed amendment (38043.0205) but she explained she did not put. She was to incorporate the historic preservation program and \$150,000 for veteran's oral history project that's all federal money. She can incorporate that in if it is their wishes.

(Meter 21) CHAIRMAN ANDRIST asked if there was any desire to mess with them.

REPRESENTATIVE MARTINSON stated she didn't take them out. (Meter 25) STEPHANIE JOHNSON stated she didn't take them out, she has to go off the House has to recede back to the Senate version. So she stated as the Senate version which is showing the Senate changes. There seem to be some confusion by CHAIRMAN ANDRIST of what version the bill was to be amended, the Senate's. He was thinking of adjusting the House changes. So the other things that the House put in, he would like to have. (Meter 90) REPRESENTATIVE MARTINSON stated the only difference the House passed, would be an additional \$50 grand. (Meter 115)

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Senate Appropriations Committee

Bill/Resolution Number SB 2020

Hearing Date 4-18-03

CHAIRMAN ANDRIST wanted the operating expense heritage center design. (Meter 120)

STEPHANIE JOHNSON wanted clarification of what is wanted in the amendment. Does he

want the \$75 grand for the cultural heritage that the House had done? The carryover sections will

be in the bill. (Meter 157) CHAIRMAN ANDRIST asked the conference committee if they

wanted to approve this on concept or rather have the amendment drafted and placed in front of

them? (Meter 167) REPRESENTATIVE MARTINSON stated he preference would be to be

done with it today. And if STEPHANIE would be so kind as to pre file a copy of the

amendments with him before it is signed off on. They can look at it and if there is a problem,

they can look at it, otherwise it will be exactly as it came out of the House plus an additional

\$50,000.

(Meter 206) CHAIRMAN ANDRIST asked if there was any other changes like the health

insurance and STEPHANIE JOHNSON stated yes.

The House recedes to the Senate amendments and further amendment with the language that

REPRESENTATIVE MARTINSON just specified. Before it is signed, he will see to it that

everyone gets copies and give everyone a short period time in case there is some difficulty before

it is signed.

(Meter 235) A motion of the House recedes to the Senate amendments and further amendments

with the language that REPRESENTATIVE MARTINSON just specified.

(Meter 352) SENATOR LINDAAS asked with regards to the capitol projects that was discussed

earlier, is there language in here that is incorporated in there? Is that kept alive?

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Senate Appropriations Committee

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(Meter 391) CHAIRMAN ANDRIST stated it is his hope that this will be accepted and that \$50,000 that is put into this, is all that's really left the value, since it was in the House, the capitol project. There are holding this one in case there was a problem with SB ?.

(Meter 473) A motion of a DO PASS of the amendment (Stephanie to draw up) was made by SENATOR SCHOBINGER and seconded by REPRESENTATIVE AARSVOLD. A roll call vote of 5 yeas 0 nays and 1 absent (SENATOR TALLACKSON).

(Meter 518) A motion by SENATOR SCHOBINGER and a second by REPRESENTATIVE AARSVOLD for a DO PASS AS AMENDED was made. A roll call vote of 5 yeas, 0 nays and 1 absent passed the bill. The floor assignment is SENATOR ANDRIST and REPRESENTATIVE RENNERFELDT.

The hearing was closed.

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Prepared by the Legislative Council staff for  
Conference Committee  
April 21, 2003

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4-21-03  
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PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2020

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1131-1133 of the Senate Journal and pages 1248 and 1249 of the House Journal and that Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2020 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 10, replace "5,083,969" with "5,078,190"

Page 1, line 11, replace "1,234,141" with "1,270,004"

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Page 1, line 18, replace "7,155,057" with "7,259,934"

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Renumber accordingly

# STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

## Senate Bill No. 2020 - State Historical Society - Conference Committee Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE VERSION	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES	CONFERENCE COMMITTEE VERSION	HOUSE VERSION	COMPARISON TO HOUSE
Salaries and wages	\$5,135,558	\$5,083,969	(\$5,779)	\$5,078,190	\$5,078,190	
Operating expenses	1,234,141	1,234,141	35,863	1,270,004	1,177,595	\$92,409
Capital assets	889,544	827,044	22,500	849,544	849,544	
Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000	300,000	1,300,000	1,300,000	
Veterans' Oral History Project			150,000	150,000	150,000	
Cultural heritage grants			75,000	75,000	75,000	
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission	4,492	4,492		4,492	4,492	
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	1,025,295	923,953	(207)	923,746	923,746	
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	\$9,073,599	\$577,377	\$9,650,976	\$9,558,567	\$92,409
Less estimated income	1,918,542	1,918,542	472,500	2,391,042	2,391,042	
General fund	\$7,370,488	\$7,155,057	\$104,877	\$7,259,934	\$7,167,525	\$92,409
FTE	57.00	57.00	0.00	57.00	57.00	0.00

## Dept. 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE <sup>1</sup>	REDUCES FUNDING FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COSTS <sup>2</sup>	INCREASES FUNDING FOR CONFLUENCE CENTER EXHIBITS <sup>3</sup>	ADDS FUNDING FOR FEDERAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM <sup>4</sup>	ADDS FUNDING FOR VETERANS' ORAL HISTORY PROJECT <sup>5</sup>	ADDS NEW LINE ITEM FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE GRANTS
Salaries and wages	(\$5,779)					
Operating expenses		(\$14,137)				
Capital assets			\$22,500			
Grants				\$300,000		
Veterans' Oral History Project					\$150,000	
Cultural heritage grants						\$75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission						
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	(207)					
Total all funds	(\$5,986)	(\$14,137)	\$22,500	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$75,000
Less estimated income			22,500	300,000	150,000	
General fund	(\$5,986)	(\$14,137)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	PROVIDES FUNDS RELATING TO NORTH DAKOTA HERITAGE CENTER EXPANSION <sup>6</sup>	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Salaries and wages		(\$5,779)
Operating expenses	\$50,000	35,863
Capital assets		22,500
Grants		300,000
Veterans' Oral History Project		150,000
Cultural heritage grants		75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission		
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial		(207)
Total all funds	\$50,000	\$577,377
Less estimated income		472,500
General fund	\$50,000	\$104,877
FTE	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> This amendment reduces the funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 to \$488.70 per month.

<sup>2</sup> This amendment reduces funding for information technology by \$14,137 from the general fund, which represents a reduction in information technology funding from the general fund of approximately 5 percent.

<sup>3</sup> This amendment increases funding for the Confluence Center exhibits due to the receipt of new federal money.

<sup>4</sup> This amendment adds funding to the grants line item for new federal money received for the historic preservation program.

<sup>5</sup> This amendment adds a new line item due to the receipt of new federal money for the Veterans' Oral History Project.

<sup>6</sup> This amendment provides \$50,000 from the general fund to the State Historical Society for the purpose of completing building specifications, architectural drawings, and marketing plans relating to the expansion of the North Dakota Heritage Center archives and historical research library section.



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BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2007

Senate / APPROPRIATIONS Committee

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### Action Taken

**Motion Made By**

Motion Made By Schobinger Seconded By A. Arnold

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Total	(Yes)	5	No
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2003 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES  
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Senate APPROPRIATIONS Committee

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Action Taken

DO PASS AS AMEND

Motion Made By

Schobinger

Seconded By

Aarsvold

*LC to make*

Senators	Yes	No	Representatives	Yes	No
Senator Andrist	✓		Representative Martinson	✓	
Senator Schobinger	✓		Representative Rennerfeldt	✓	
Senator Tallackson			Representative Aarsvold	✓	

Total (Yes) 5 No

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REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (420)  
April 21, 2003 5:12 p.m.

Module No: HR-72-8016

Insert LC: 38043.0206

**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE**

**SB 2020, as engrossed:** Your conference committee (Sens. Andrist, Schobinger, Tallackson and Reps. Martinson, Rennerfeldt, Aarsvold) recommends that the **HOUSE RECEDE** from the House amendments on SJ pages 1131-1133, adopt amendments as follows, and place SB 2020 on the Seventh order:

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1131-1133 of the Senate Journal and pages 1248 and 1249 of the House Journal and that Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2020 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 10, replace "5,083,969" with "5,078,190"

Page 1, line 11, replace "1,234,141" with "1,270,004"

Page 1, line 12, replace "827,044" with "849,544"

Page 1, line 13, replace "1,000,000" with "1,300,000"

Page 1, after line 13, Insert:  
"Veterans' oral history project  
Cultural heritage grants

150,000  
75,000"

Page 1, line 15, replace "923,953" with "923,746"

Page 1, line 16, replace "9,073,599" with "9,650,976"

Page 1, line 17, replace "1,918,542" with "2,391,042"

Page 1, line 18, replace "7,155,057" with "7,259,934"

Page 2, after line 7, Insert:

**"SECTION 5. EXEMPTION.** The state historical society's appropriation contained in section 1 of chapter 20 of the 2001 Session Laws is not subject to the provisions of section 54-44.1-11 in an amount of up to \$540,000, of which \$440,000 is from the general fund and \$100,000 is from special funds. Of the \$540,000, \$25,000 is for cultural heritage grants and \$515,000 is for the completion of the confluence center exhibits and the era of change exhibits.

**SECTION 6. LEWIS AND CLARK BICENTENNIAL LINE ITEM AND CAPITAL ASSETS LINE ITEM TRANSFERS.** Notwithstanding any other provision of law, the state historical society may transfer funds between the Lewis and Clark bicentennial line item and the capital assets line item during the period beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005."

Page 2, line 8, after "item" Insert ", \$300,000 of the grants line item relating to the federal historic preservation program, and the veterans' oral history project line item"

Renumber accordingly

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**

**Senate Bill No. 2020 - State Historical Society - Conference Committee Action**

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**REPORT OF CONFERENCE COMMITTEE (420)**  
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Salaries and wages	\$5,135,558	\$5,083,869	(\$5,779)	\$5,078,190	\$5,078,190	
Operating expenses	1,234,141	1,234,141	35,863	1,270,004	1,177,595	\$92,409
Capital assets	889,544	827,044	22,500	849,544	849,544	
Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000	300,000	1,300,000	1,300,000	
Veterans' Oral History Project			150,000	150,000	150,000	
Cultural heritage grants			75,000	75,000	75,000	
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission	4,492	4,492		4,492	4,492	
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	<u>1,025,295</u>	<u>923,953</u>	<u>(207)</u>	<u>923,746</u>	<u>923,746</u>	
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	\$9,073,599	\$577,377	\$9,650,976	\$9,558,587	\$92,409
Less estimated income	<u>1,918,542</u>	<u>1,918,542</u>	<u>472,500</u>	<u>2,391,042</u>	<u>2,391,042</u>	
General fund	\$7,370,488	\$7,155,057	\$104,877	\$7,259,934	\$7,167,525	\$92,409
FTE	57.00	57.00	0.00	57.00	57.00	0.00

**Dept. 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Conference Committee Changes**

	REDUCES RECOMMENDED FUNDING FOR HEALTH INSURANCE 1	REDUCES FUNDING FOR INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY COSTS 2	INCREASES FUNDING FOR CONFLUENCE CENTER EXHIBITS 3	ADDS FUNDING FOR FEDERAL HISTORIC PRESERVATION PROGRAM 4	ADDS FUNDING FOR VETERANS' ORAL HISTORY PROJECT 5	ADDS NEW LINE ITEM FOR CULTURAL HERITAGE GRANTS
Salaries and wages	(\$5,779)					
Operating expenses		(\$14,137)				
Capital assets			\$22,500			
Grants				\$300,000		
Veterans' Oral History Project					\$150,000	
Cultural heritage grants						\$75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission						
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	<u>(207)</u>					
Total all funds	(\$5,986)	(\$14,137)	\$22,500	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$75,000
Less estimated income			<u>22,500</u>	<u>300,000</u>	<u>150,000</u>	
General fund	(\$5,986)	(\$14,137)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	PROVIDES FUNDS RELATING TO NORTH DAKOTA HERITAGE CENTER EXPANSION 6	TOTAL CONFERENCE COMMITTEE CHANGES
Salaries and wages		(\$5,779)
Operating expenses	\$50,000	35,863
Capital assets		22,500
Grants		300,000
Veterans' Oral History Project		150,000
Cultural heritage grants		75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Commission		
Lewis and Clark Bicentennial		<u>(207)</u>
Total all funds	\$50,000	\$577,377
Less estimated income		<u>472,500</u>
General fund	\$50,000	\$104,877
FTE	0.00	0.00

1 This amendment reduces the funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 to \$458.70 per month.

2 This amendment reduces funding for information technology by \$14,137 from the general fund, which represents a reduction in information technology funding from the general fund of approximately 5 percent.

3 This amendment increases funding for the Confluence Center exhibits due to the receipt of new federal money.

4 This amendment adds funding to the grants line item for new federal money received for the historic preservation program.

5 This amendment adds a new line item due to the receipt of new federal money for the Veterans' Oral History Project.

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Engrossed SB 2020 was placed on the Seventh order of business on the calendar.

2003 TESTIMONY

SB 2020

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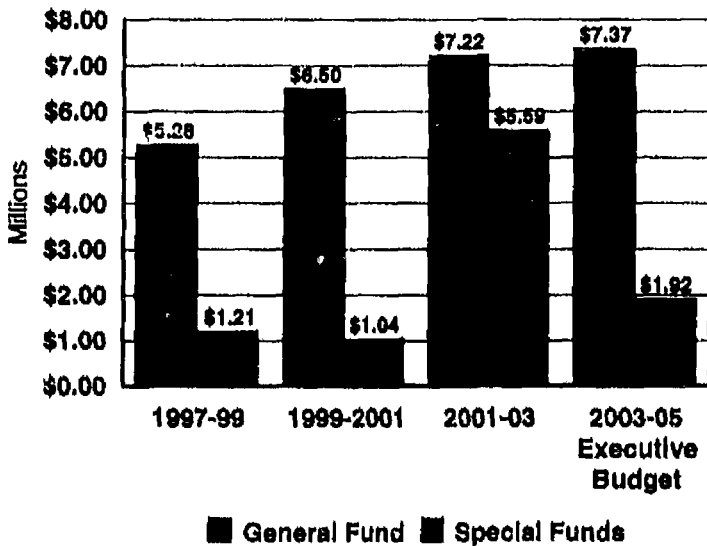
**Department 701 - State Historical Society  
Senate Bill No. 2020**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2003-05 Executive Budget	57.00	\$7,370,488	\$1,918,542	\$9,289,030
2001-03 Legislative Appropriations	56.00	7,220,173 <sup>1</sup>	5,589,979	12,810,152 <sup>2</sup>
Increase (Decrease)	1.00	\$150,315	(\$3,671,437)	(\$3,521,122)

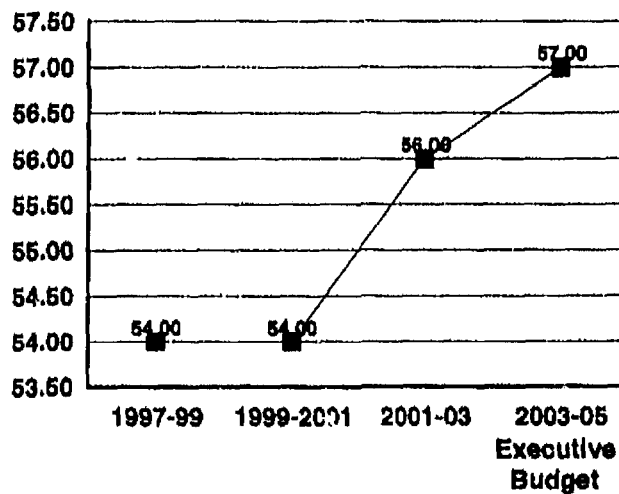
<sup>1</sup> The 2001-03 general fund appropriation is the amount appropriated by the 2001 Legislative Assembly and does not include a reduction of \$75,812 relating to the 1.05 percent budget allotment ordered by Governor Hoeven in July 2002.

<sup>2</sup> The 2001-03 appropriation amounts include \$45,804, \$40,771 of which is from the general fund, for the agency's share of the \$5 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget for special market equity adjustments for classified employees. The 2001-03 appropriation amounts do not include \$667,000 of general fund spending authority carried over from the 1999-2001 biennium for capital projects.

**Agency Funding**



**FTE Positions**



**First House Action**

Attached is a summary of the first house changes.

**Executive Budget Highlights  
(With First House Changes Noted)**

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Provides funding for two .5 FTE office assistant II positions requested by the agency to convert long-term temporary positions to permanent status	\$66,667		\$66,667
2. Decreases capital assets line item by 83.8 percent from the 2001-03 biennium, mainly due to the decrease in one-time federal funds for the construction of the Confluence Center at Fort Buford, which is anticipated to be completed in the 2001-03 biennium.	(\$477,000)	(\$4,111,160)	(\$4,588,160)

Provides funding for the following capital projects:

- Former Governor's mansion coach house stabilization - \$250,000
- Chimney Park repair - \$87,000
- Interpretive signage - \$40,000
- Fort Buford exhibits - \$225,000

The Senate reduced capital assets by \$62,500.



3. Decreases Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item to \$1 million to reflect adjustment for one-time grants and project changes. The Senate decreased funding for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial by \$100,000.	(\$498,549)		(\$498,549)
4. Increases grants line item to reflect an increase in the federal historic preservation grant program		\$514,441	\$514,441
5. Increases general fund operating expenses to reflect funding for critical components of the agency's information technology plan (\$61,595), funding for operating expenses related to the Heritage Center Commission (\$11,880), and funding for a short-term lease for storage space during the 2003-05 biennium (\$30,000), and decreases other funds operating expenses as the result of a federal grant received in the 2001-03 biennium for research of the construction of the Confluence Center at Fort Buford	\$103,039	(\$90,632)	\$12,407

#### Major Related Legislation

**Senate Bill No. 2416** - This bill provided an appropriation for capital projects of the State Historical Society and authorizes the Industrial Commission to issue and sell bonds for capital projects.

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**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:****Senate Bill No. 2020 - Funding Summary**

	Executive Budget	Senate Changes	Senate Version
State Historical Society			
Salaries and wages	\$5,135,558	(\$51,589)	\$5,083,969
Operating expenses	1,234,141		1,234,141
Capital assets	889,544	(62,500)	827,044
Grants	1,000,000		1,000,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Comm	4,492		4,492
Lewis and Clark bicentennial	1,025,295	(101,342)	923,953
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	(\$215,431)	\$9,073,599
Less estimated income	1,918,542	0	1,918,542
General fund	\$7,370,488	(\$215,431)	\$7,155,057
FTE	57.00	0.00	57.00
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	(\$215,431)	\$9,073,599
Less estimated income	1,918,542	0	1,918,542
General fund	\$7,370,488	(\$215,431)	\$7,155,057
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**Senate Bill No. 2020 - State Historical Society - Senate Action**

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## Department No. 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of Senate Changes

	Removes Recommended Salary Increase <sup>1</sup>	Decreases Funding for Capital Assets Line Item <sup>2</sup>	Decreases Funding for Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Line Item	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages	(\$51,589)			(\$51,589)
Operating expenses				
Capital assets		(62,500)		(62,500)
Grants				
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort				
Union Comm				
Lewis and Clark bicentennial	(1,342)		(100,000)	(101,342)
Total all funds	(\$52,931)	(\$62,500)	(\$100,000)	(\$215,431)
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0
General fund	(\$52,931)	(\$62,500)	(\$100,000)	(\$215,431)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

<sup>1</sup> This amendment removes the Governor's recommendation for state employee salary increases and retains the recommended state payment for health insurance premiums.

<sup>2</sup> This amendment reduces the capital assets line item. The department may determine the specific project funding to be reduced.

This amendment also adds a section authorizing the State Historical Society to use moneys appropriated in the capital assets line item to purchase compact storage units.

04/09/03

**STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:****Senate Bill No. 2020 - Funding Summary**

	Executive Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
State Historical Society				
Salaries and wages	\$5,135,558	\$5,083,969	(\$5,779)	\$5,078,190
Operating expenses	1,234,141	1,234,141	(\$6,546)	1,177,595
Capital assets	889,544	827,044	22,500	849,544
Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000	300,000	1,300,000
Veterans Oral History Project			150,000	150,000
Cultural Heritage Grants			75,000	75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Comm	4,492	4,492		4,492
Lewis and Clark bicentennial	1,025,295	923,953	(207)	923,746
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	\$9,073,599	\$484,968	\$9,558,567
Less estimated income	1,918,542	1,918,542	472,500	2,391,042
General fund	\$7,370,488	\$7,155,057	\$12,468	\$7,167,525
FTE	57.00	57.00	0.00	57.00
Bill Total				
Total all funds	\$9,289,030	\$9,073,599	\$484,968	\$9,558,567
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	Removes Recommended Salary Increase <sup>1</sup> (\$51,589)	Decreases Funding for Capital Assets Line Item <sup>2</sup>	Decreases Funding for Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Line Item	Total Senate Changes
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Grants				
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Comm				
Lewis and Clark bicentennial	(1,342)		(100,000)	(101,342)
Total all funds	(\$52,931)	(\$62,500)	(\$100,000)	(\$215,431)
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0
General fund	(\$52,931)	(\$62,500)	(\$100,000)	(\$215,431)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

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Capital assets	889,544	827,044	22,500	849,544
Grants	1,000,000	1,000,000	300,000	1,300,000
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## Department No. 701 - State Historical Society - Detail of House Changes

	Reduces Recommended Funding for Health Insurance <sup>1</sup>	Reduces Funding for Information Technology Costs <sup>2</sup>	Increases Funding for Confluence Center Exhibits <sup>3</sup>	Adds Funding for Federal Historic Preservation Program <sup>4</sup>	Adds Funding for Veterans Oral History Project <sup>5</sup>	Adds New Line Item for Cultural Heritage Grants
Salaries and wages	(\$5,779)					
Operating expenses		(\$6,546)				
Capital assets			22,500			
Grants				300,000		
Veterans Oral History Project					150,000	
Cultural Heritage Grants						75,000
Yellowstone-Missouri-Fort Union Comm						
Lewis and Clark bicentennial	(207)					
Total all funds	(\$5,986)	(\$6,546)	\$22,500	\$300,000	\$150,000	\$75,000
Less estimated income	0	0	22,500	300,000	150,000	0
General fund	(\$5,986)	(\$6,546)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$75,000
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Total House Changes
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General fund	\$12,468
FTE	0.00

<sup>1</sup> This amendment reduces the funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$493 per month to \$488.70 per month.

<sup>2</sup> This amendment reduces funding for information technology by \$56,546 from the general fund, which represents a reduction in information technology funding from the general fund of approximately 20 percent.

<sup>3</sup> This amendment increases funding for the Confluence Center exhibits due to the receipt of new federal money.

<sup>4</sup> This amendment adds funding to the grants line for new federal money received for the historic preservation program.

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This amendment also adds a new section to allow for the carryover of \$540,000 for the completion of the confluence exhibits, era of change exhibits, and for cultural heritage grants; adds a new section to allow the State Historical Society the flexibility to transfer funds between the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item and the capital assets line item; and adds the Veterans' Oral History Project line item and \$300,000 of the grants line item relating to the federal historic preservation program to the emergency clause.

Exhibit  
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SB 2020  
Senate Appropriations Committee  
January 10, 2003

Testimony by Merl Paaverud, Director  
State Historical Society of North Dakota

Introduction

Mr. Chairman and members of the Committee, my name is Merl Paaverud and I am the Director of the State Historical Society of North Dakota. It is a pleasure to be with you today to present the proposed budget for the State Historical Society of North Dakota.

As part of this presentation I would like to share a moment of history with you. During this week in history, January 9, 1901, outgoing Lt. Governor Joseph Devine, filling in for the ailing Governor Frederick Fancher who left the state in September, delivered his message to the Legislative Assembly. He presented a table of recommended appropriations that appeared as a forerunner to the later state budgets. He recommended appropriating only \$797,900 for the operations of state government for the biennium so that the state could cope with accumulated deficits from the previous decade.

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SB 2020  
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March 3, 2003

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During the session there were only 4 joint sessions: 1. To receive the Governor's message, 2. To formally declare that Henry Hansbrough of Ramsey County should serve 6 years in the U.S. Senate beginning March 4, 1903, 3. To hear an address on the Lewis and Clark Exposition (World's Fair) to be held in St. Louis, 4. And to join in the celebration with special festivities on the birthday of Abraham Lincoln.

Out of the 100 male members of the house:

91 were married

86 were Republicans, 12 Democrats, and 2 Independent Democrats.

The youngest member was 28 years old and the oldest was 62 years old.

There were 289 bills introduced during the session, and by March 3, the Representatives listened to and acted upon most of them including HB 18 to regulate the practice of optometry, and on HB 221 to authorize a trolley line to the capitol from the Northern Pacific Depot. During the last days of the session, both houses scheduled night sessions in order to adjourn in the afternoon on March 6 so they could still catch the train to take them home.

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# Plains Talk

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## Building Partnerships with History Trustees

The State Historical Society of North Dakota (SHSND) Foundation continues to build alliances with its History Trustees, a special committee established by the Foundation to forge partnerships with businesses, organizations, and individuals who care about and are committed to North Dakota's history and the State Historical Society.

Nearly 100 History Trustees, both individuals and businesses, are busy hosting major events for the Society, providing financial support, and assisting with fundraising efforts. A good example, said Foundation Executive Director Virginia Nelsen, is the History Trustee partnership with Hornbacher's Foods of Fargo.

This North Dakota mainstay was founded in the Fargo-Moorhead area in 1951 by Ted Hornbacher and James Custer. In the mid-1960s, Hornbacher purchased the business rights from Custer. The business was sold to Super Valu in 1975, but the founder's son, Dean Hornbacher, remains at the helm.

Hornbacher's has helped the SHSND Foundation support the state's history agency by distributing 10,000 SHSND event calendars to its customers, serving a lunch for Trustees and guests at the June 2002 Fort Abercrombie dedication, and providing food for the Theodore Roosevelt Medal of Honor Summer Tour in 2001.

"We will continue to support the important efforts of the State Historical Society in the Fargo-Moorhead area by providing in-kind contributions for future events," said Hornbacher.

Dan's SuperMarket of Bismarck and Economart of Williston are two more North Dakota-based grocers among the growing number of History Trustees aiding the SHSND Foundation through distribution of marketing materials and in-kind support.

For more information on becoming a Trustee, or to nominate or recommend someone for the position, contact the SHSND Foundation at (701) 222-1966 or email at [hstlfdn@btinet.net](mailto:hstlfdn@btinet.net).

## Commission Studying Services, Needs of SHSND



A commission appointed last summer by Governor John Hoeven to study the services, operations, staffing, and space needs of the State Historical Society met December 3 at the North Dakota Heritage Center. Among those on hand was former Governor William Guy (1961-73), who urged SHSND Commission members to "think big" about the ongoing importance of how to best preserve and promote North Dakota's history and heritage. Guy is one of the state's five former governors who signed a resolution in November 2001 urging Hoeven to appoint the commission.

## Society Reissues 1896 Version of Christmas Classic

An 1896 edition of the classic, *The Night Before Christmas*, or a Visit of St. Nicholas, has been reprinted in its original form by the State Historical Society. It is the first in what is hoped will be a series of reissues of classic works in the collections of the state's history agency.

The book's initial 1,000 copies sold out within a few weeks, prompting a second printing of another 1,000 to meet continuing demand. An early December *Bismarck Tribune* story about the reprint carried nationally by the Associated Press generated a book order from the great-great-granddaughter of Clement Clarke Moore, the man

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This 1896 book, with artwork by an unknown artist, is one of the earliest color versions of the Christmas classic, generally believed to have been written in 1822 by Clement Clarke Moore (1779-1863). Thomas Nast drew the first American illustrations of Santa Claus in 1862, and they appeared in *Harper's Weekly* on January 3, 1863.



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Date

Bob Schlobahn  
Exhibit 1

State Historical Society of North Dakota  
Impact of Information Technology Reductions

- Total current direct costs for IT services - \$66,000.00
- Current direct costs for telecommunication - \$82,100.00
- House reduction recommendation - 38% or \$56,546.00
- The agency has no full time IT personnel although portions of other staff time were used in the reduction calculation resulting in the 38% reduction. Because the agency does not have a full time IT staff person, it must rely on ITD for all email and network maintenance. Our desktop support and maintenance is provided by an outside vendor who has a contract through ITD for these services. These services are provided at a per hour fee.
- Assuming the agency MUST maintain its telecommunications services if at all possible, the reduction to IT services would then amount to 86% (\$56,546 or \$66,000) and be catastrophic to the agency's computer and information technology systems.
- IT Services and systems that would need to be eliminated or reduced include Web Page access and maintenance, e-mail services, collections inventory maintenance, graphic services for exhibits and educational programming.
- Elimination of IT services destroys any prospect of expanding opportunities for telecommuting and will diminish capabilities on historic sites where outlying services already exist.
- Reduced IT services will diminish public access to the library and archives collections and the museum and archeological collections.
- Reduced IT services will create problems for the maintenance of the museum store inventory, the fixed asset inventory and may require that we revert to manual systems.
- General availability of e-mail and word processing capabilities to all employees will need to be evaluated. Available computers may need to be pooled to allow multiple employee access. This will certainly lead to inefficiencies.
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Exhibit  
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State  
Historical  
Society of  
North Dakota

Since 1895

Our mission is to identify, interpret, preserve and promote  
the heritage of North Dakota and its people.

The State Historical Society of  
North Dakota Foundation

- 501c(3) non-profit
- Fundraising arm of the Society
- Accesses additional resources to enhance the  
services of the Society
  - Planned giving
  - Grants
  - Memberships
  - Donations

What do North Dakota  
community leaders support?

They support "heritage tourism"  
as an economic tool for their  
communities.

What do North Dakota communities  
want from the State Historical Society?

- Development of Day Trip Tours
- Partnerships/Development in Schools
- Regional Brochures/Distribution
- Lewis & Clark Issues
- Web Site Links
- Signage/Interpretation
- Events/Programming
- Communications/Publications
- Frontline/Community Training
- Visitor Centers

---Community Conversation Common Themes

Cultural Heritage Tourism

- Considerable research supports the  
economic and quality of life benefits of  
cultural heritage tourism
- It is often reported that cultural  
heritage tourism is one of the fastest  
growing segments of the tourism  
industry

---Cultural Heritage Tourism:  
Practical Applications - Arizona

North Dakota Heritage Center:  
Home of the History Professionals  
Providing Resources for Heritage Tourism Projects



### Eco Tourism & Adventure Tourism

- The key attraction here is nature and the natural environment
- River rafting, canoeing, mountain biking, rock climbing, hiking
- Fishing, hunting, photo safaris, birding, butterfly collecting, rock hunting
- Archeology digs, geology tours, fossil digs

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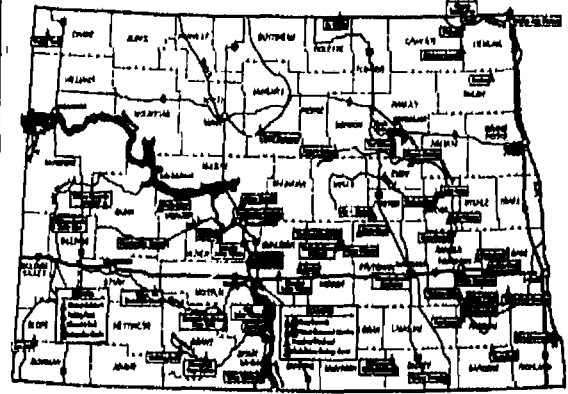
### Fossil and Dinosaur Digs Eco Tourism Opportunities



Menoken Field School

Research  
Inform the Public  
Field Schools

### North Dakota's 56 Historic Sites: Our "Products" for Cultural Heritage Tourism Development...



### Any town can build a mall...

"Any town can build an outlet mall, and they will likely all look the same, but every town's history is different from its neighbors, and difference is becoming increasingly important in the competitive tourism market."

---Cultural Heritage Tourism: Practical Applications-Arizona

### Cultural Heritage Tourists

- Spend more money
- Stay longer
- Travel off-season
- Participate in more activities
- Are more likely to stay in a hotel
- Are older
- Have more disposable income

---Arts and Heritage Tourism Plans: Maine

**"Visitors to historic sites spend 2.5 times more money and stay longer than other travelers, strengthening local economies."**



**"865 million people visit museums each year across the United States, 2.3 million per day---up 50% from a decade ago."**



### **10: 1 - Return on Investment**

#### **■ Connecticut Humanities Council Cultural Heritage Development Fund**

- A 10:1 Return was Established in 1999 on State of Connecticut Investments in Historic Exhibits and Programs

Source: Economic Value Study: Cultural Heritage Development Fund - Witan Intelligence Strategies (1999)

### **Economic Impact by Category for Connecticut History Investments**

- 13% Shopping
- 13% Entertainment
- 35% Lodging
- 28% Dining
- 11% Other

Source: Economic Impact Case Studies (1999)

**"....history organizations are economic engines in their towns, cities, and regions."**



### **What does this mean for North Dakota?**

- State Historical Society of North Dakota is ready to take the lead in cultural heritage tourism
- The partnerships are developed

## Professionals Guide Heritage Tourism Development

"Professional historians are trained to see the larger picture, to recognize how local stories fit into larger state-wide historical themes and movements, to identify the significant and eliminate the irrelevant, the inconsequential or the erroneous."

---Bruce Fraser, Connecticut Humanities Council

## Authenticity

"The essence of what cultural heritage tourists seek is in fact the bedrock of any competent heritage institution—  
"authenticity," which is to say experiences that seem to them "true," "actual" and "real."

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Role models for exceptional leadership,  
vision and commitment.



## Governor Olson on the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial

It's the opportunity of a lifetime, or several lifetimes.  
What better way to show the true heritage of this state - Native Americans, Sakakawea, a hard environment, wilderness, frontier - and North Dakota's right in the middle of it.  
It's a perfect backdrop to highlight all of our strengths to the country. From an economic development standpoint, it seems to me we're an accurate reflection of that expedition.

Six Governors' Forum  
North Dakota Heritage Center  
November 16, 2001

## Governor Link on the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial

The likeness of Sakakawea, which is the symbolic mark of the Lewis and Clark Expedition, sits on our capitol grounds, just a few rods from here. It will be placed in the Statuary Hall and will be, to my knowledge, the only Native American in this national hall of honor.

I think that's symbolic of the state's historic recognition of the importance of that expedition and the people that made it successful.

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It's a set of circumstances made in heaven for the promotion.

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### Governor Schafer on Having the Necessary Infrastructure in Place

It doesn't do you any good to advertise if you don't have a product. What's very important is that the Legislature set us on a path some years ago to make sure we have a product. We must continue that work, to have restrooms available and fix the roads and picnic areas and trail maps and golf courses - whatever the things may be. Once the people get here, we'll sell North Dakota.

It's a broad-brushed approach that we have to take. We've got to make sure our product of North Dakota is appropriate, because one thing I found out from sitting in the chair over there in the Governor's Office for eight years is that if you can get people to North Dakota, they love it and they come back.

Once they're here, we can show them the experience that's appropriate. We have to make sure our infrastructure is in place so they have a good time.

Six Governors' Forum  
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### Governor Hoeven on Having the Necessary Infrastructure in Place

Our department of tourism has to work in close conjunction with the State Historical Society. This (North Dakota Heritage Center) is a tremendous resource and Governor Schafer is right - you need a product to sell.

The Lewis and Clark Bicentennial commemoration offers us an incredible opportunity. So we need to build on cultural centers, like this tremendous facility, Fort Abraham Lincoln, the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center at Washburn, we need to develop that product...

We need to bring all the forces together to make sure we do this right and do it well, and in the meantime continue to build, not only what we have to show off, but our infrastructure to make sure that the tourists have a reason to stay when they come.

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We are the heirs of Theodore Roosevelt, and what we must do today is prepare for those who are our heirs...  
What we are doing in a real sense is preparing for those who come after us.

President Kennedy,  
Grand Forks, N.D.,  
September 25, 1963

### Society and Foundation Goal...

...to bring our children to history  
and history to our children.

### Why is it important for our children to know their history?

In a word—pride, pride in themselves and in our state.

"We have the opportunity to do great things."  
Chester Nelson, Society Board, 2002

### State Historical Society of North Dakota

Since 1895

Our mission is to identify, interpret, preserve and promote the heritage of North Dakota and its people.

**Testimony of Tracy Potter, Executive Director, Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation on  
Lewis and Clark Budget Enhancements**

**RE: SB 2020 and SB 2021**

It is now generally recognized that the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial commemoration is the best tourism opportunity for North Dakota for a generation. The best chapters in that story were written here.

You and your colleagues recognized that importance when you enhanced the budgets of several state departments in the last biennium. If I recall correctly, you appropriated \$3 million to Parks, Tourism, the Historical Society and the Arts Council in the last session. You have another \$3 million Lewis and Clark enhancement before you, spread out through those same agencies. I have had the opportunity to review the enhancement budget and it is filled with worthwhile projects.

I am here today to add my voice to a request for an additional Lewis and Clark enhancement in the amount of \$500,000 to be placed, in the words of the old TV commercial, "where the rubber meets the road."

Next week the kick-off Signature Event of the National Lewis and Clark Bicentennial takes place at Monticello. To every thing there is a season, and now is the season for the commemoration. We've already built the attractions. On-a-Slant Village, with a \$1.9 million federal facelift is ready for visitors. Fort Mandan and the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center are ready for visitors. Now, it's time to show them off.

North Dakota was extremely fortunate to receive designation for two National Signature Events, one for ten days in Bismarck and surrounding areas in October, 2004, coordinated by the Fort Abraham Lincoln Foundation and another for New Town and the Three Affiliated Tribes in August, 2006. These are chances to showcase for an international audience the fine tourism facilities and the rich history of North Dakota. These are the best chances we will have for a long, long time.

When I approached the cities of Bismarck and Mandan, the Congressional delegation and private sector businesses, I was asked the same question: "What is the state doing to support the Signature Event?" My answer is that the Tourism Director gave us our first grant, a \$10,000 grant to start planning the event. That's compared to the \$175,000 pledged by the City of Bismarck, the \$50,000 we just received from a private business or the \$50,000 we got as a first installment from the National Park Service. Altogether, we hope to be able to raise and spend nearly two million dollars on this event, not blowing it all in a ten day period, but leaving behind an international reputation and tourist-attracting legacies: a state-of-the-art high tech "Virtual Village" developed by NDSU, in the museum at Fort Lincoln, and earthlodges to replicate the Mandan village of Lewis and Clark's time, which will go to New Town and Mandan to aid tourism and cultural development for decades to come.

If the state does have \$3 million in a budget for the Lewis and Clark commemoration this

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biennium, maybe it could spend 10% of that amount on the single biggest commemoration that will take place in this biennium. That's our part of this \$500,000 request, \$300,000 for the Signature Event.

In Washburn, as at Fort Lincoln, we're expective a crush of visitation over the next years. The impact on the North Dakota Lewis and Clark Bicentennial Foundation will be extreme. Their request is for \$200,000 to assist them in properly hosting the tens of thousands, we hope hundreds of thousands of visitors who will be impacting their site.

Thank you for your time and your careful consideration of this joint request of our two non-profit foundations.