Department 405 - Industrial Commission Senate Bill No. 2015

2001-03 Schafer Executive Budget	FTE Positions 63.00	General Fund \$7,312,581	Other Funds \$35,585,990	Total \$42,898,571
1999-2001 Legislative Appropriations	64.00	20,595,597	13,770,925	34,366,522
Increase (Decrease)	(1.00)	(\$13,283,016)	\$21,815,065	\$8,532,049
2001-03 Hoeven Executive Budget	63.00	\$7,384,181	\$35,585,990	\$42,970,171
Hoeven Increase (Decrease) to Schafer	0.00	\$71,600	\$0	\$71,600

¹The 1999-2001 appropriation amounts include \$25,954, \$23,616 of which is from the general fund, for the agency's share of the \$5.4 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for special market equity adjustments for classified employees and \$2,465, \$1,513 of which is from the general fund, for the agency's share of the \$1.4 million funding pool appropriated to OMB for assisting agencies in providing the \$35 per month minimum salary increases in July 1999 and July 2000.

Major Schafer Recommendations Affecting Industrial Commission 2001-03 Budget

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Provides for the following Industrial Commission administration changes:	General Fund	Other Funds	Total			
a. Changes funding source for lease payments to reflect lease payment revenue received from agencies, including an increa \$1,856,554 from the general fund and \$208,337 of special fur for projects authorized by the 1999 Legislative Assembly (ger fund amounts are appropriated in the various agency budgets	nds neral	\$16,017,790	\$2,064,891			
b. Increases lignite research grants from \$10,450,000 to \$16,450	0,000	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000			
c. Eliminates the administrative contingency line item		(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)			
2. Provides for the following Oil and Gas Division changes:						
 a. Provides funding for .5 FTE data processing coordinator posit including \$25,000 of related operating expenses 	ion, \$70,800		\$70,800			
b. Removes funding for 1 FTE petroleum engineer II position	(\$105,142)		(\$105,142)			
 Changes the funding source for the geophysical exploration program to the general fund instead of the land and minerals fund 	\$245,102 trust	(\$245,102)	\$0			
3. Provides for the following Geological Survey changes:						
 a. Provides funding for .5 FTE data processing coordinator posit including \$25,000 of related operating expenses 	ions, \$70,800		\$70,800			
b. Removes funding for 1 FTE drafting technician II position	(\$79,988)		(\$79,988)			
4. No significant changes for the Municipal Bond Bank						
Major Hoeven Recommendations Affecting Industrial Commission 2001-03 Budget Compared to the Bill as Introduced (Schafer Budget)						
	General Fund	Other Funds	Total			

\$71,600

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1. Increases funding for the operating line item to account for increased

lease payments and moving costs for the Oil and Gas Division and

Geological Survey.

Major Legislation Affecting the Industrial Commission

Senate Bill No. 2023 authorizes the Industrial Commission to issue bonds in the amount of \$10,078,000 for a laboratory addition at the State Department of Health (\$2,700,000), renovation of Old Main at Minot State University (\$5,076,000), and a new Bismarck service delivery office for Job Service North Dakota (\$2,302,000). The bill also authorizes the Industrial Commission to issue bonds in the amount of \$4,639,733 for state facility emergency improvement projects at the Department of Transportation (\$353,600), North Dakota State University (\$296,348), and University of North Dakota (\$3,990,785).

Senate Bill No. 2099 changes the maximum balance of the abandoned oil and gas well plugging and site reclamation fund from \$50,000 to \$250,000. When the balance of the fund exceeds the limit, any additional fees must be deposited in the general fund.

Senate Bill No. 2165 provides that the computation for the authorized general fund lease payments for a biennium must be based on the **projected** sales, use, and motor vehicle excise tax collections presented at the close of the most recently adjourned regular Legislative Assembly.

House Bill No. 1051 provides that the Industrial Commission establish a farmers equity trust fund at the Bank of North Dakota for use by the Agricultural Products Utilization Commission to acquire ownership interests in value-added agricultural projects or for loans to value-added agricultural projects.