

**Department 405 - Industrial Commission**  
**Senate Bill No. 2015**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2001-03 Schafer Executive Budget	63.00	\$7,312,581	\$35,585,990	\$42,898,571
1999-2001 Legislative Appropriations	64.00	20,595,597	13,770,925	34,366,522 <sup>1</sup>
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

<sup>1</sup> The 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**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
1. Provides for the following Industrial Commission administration changes:			
a. Changes funding source for lease payments to reflect lease payment revenue received from agencies, including an increase of \$1,856,554 from the general fund and \$208,337 of special funds for projects authorized by the 1999 Legislative Assembly (general fund amounts are appropriated in the various agency budgets)	(\$13,952,899)	\$16,017,790	\$2,064,891
b. Increases lignite research grants from \$10,450,000 to \$16,450,000		\$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 position, including \$25,000 of related operating expenses	\$70,800		\$70,800
b. Removes funding for 1 FTE petroleum engineer II position	(\$105,142)		(\$105,142)
c. Changes the funding source for the geophysical exploration program to the general fund instead of the land and minerals trust fund	\$245,102	(\$245,102)	\$0
3. Provides for the following Geological Survey changes:			
a. Provides funding for .5 FTE data processing coordinator positions, including \$25,000 of related operating expenses	\$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)**

	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
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. (The Senate increased funding for operating by \$71,600 to account for this recommendation from the Hoeven executive budget.)	\$71,600		\$71,600

**Major Legislation Affecting the Industrial Commission**

Senate Bill No. 2023 authorizes the Industrial Commission to issue bonds in the amount of \$12,852,000 for a laboratory addition at the State Department of Health (\$2,700,000), renovation of Old Main at Minot State University (\$7,850,000), 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). (This bill has been passed by the Senate.)

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 effective July 1, 2003. When the balance of the fund exceeds the limit, any additional fees must be deposited in the general fund. (This bill has been passed by both the Senate and the House.)

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. (This bill has been passed by both the Senate and the House.)

House Bill No. 1417 allows the Industrial Commission to issue bonds for the establishment of meatpacking plants. (This bill has been passed by the House.)

**Summary of Legislative Changes Resulting From First House Action**

See Statement of Purpose of Amendment (attached).