

**State Historical Society  
Budget No. 701  
House Bill Nos. 1019, 1050, Senate Bill No. 2023**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2005-07 executive budget (bills as introduced)	57.00	\$7,580,724	\$4,025,455	\$11,606,179
<b>2005-07 legislative appropriations</b>	<b>57.00</b>	<b>8,094,058</b>	<b>9,927,165</b>	<b>18,021,223</b>
Legislative increase (decrease) to executive budget	0.00	\$513,334	\$5,901,710	\$6,415,044
Legislative increase (decrease) to 2003-05 appropriations	0.00	\$834,124	\$5,536,123	\$6,370,247

**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS**

**Salaries and Wages**

The legislative action affecting the recommended appropriation for the State Historical Society is in accordance with legislative salary and fringe benefits guidelines as contained in House Bill No. 1050.

	<b>Major Items FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
The legislative action:				
Added funding for state employee salary increases		\$19,699	\$2,459	\$22,158
Reduced funding recommended in the executive budget for state employee health insurance premiums from \$559.15 to \$553.95 per month per policy		(6,365)	(749)	(7,114)
Increased funding for cultural heritage grants from \$75,000 to \$325,000		250,000		250,000
Added funding to operating expenses for the costs of reprinting and creating new posters		15,000		15,000
Added funding to capital assets for the Fort Abercrombie Interpretive Center project		200,000	200,000	400,000
Added contingency funding for the State Historical Society to provide a grant to the Minot Park Board for a Medal of Honor monument to be located at Roosevelt Park in Minot		35,000		35,000
Added funding for the State Historical Society and Heritage Center research collections expansion project (see <b>Capital Projects</b> section below)			5,700,000	5,700,000
<b>Total</b>	<b>0.00</b>	<b>\$513,334</b>	<b>\$5,901,710</b>	<b>\$6,415,044</b>

**FTE Changes**

The Legislative Assembly did not change the executive recommendation which included funding for 57 FTE positions, the same as the 2003-05 biennium.

**Capital Projects**

The Legislative Assembly added \$400,000 for the Fort Abercrombie Interpretive Center project, consisting of \$200,000 from the general fund which is to be used to match \$200,000 of federal funds from the Save America's Treasures grant. The Legislative Assembly also added \$5,700,000 for the State Historical Society and Heritage Center research collections expansion project, consisting of \$5,500,000 from bonding proceeds and \$200,000 from federal and other funds. The following table shows the capital projects authorized for the 2005-07 biennium:

Project	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Chateau de Mores Interpretive Center renovation and expansion		\$1,600,000 <sup>1</sup>	\$1,600,000
Heritage Center compact storage units	\$250,000		250,000
Extraordinary repairs	251,319		251,319
Equipment over \$5,000	81,000		81,000
<b>Total - Executive recommendation</b>	<b>\$582,319</b>	<b>\$1,600,000</b>	<b>\$2,182,319</b>
Legislative action added			
Fort Abercrombie Interpretive Center project	\$200,000	\$200,000	\$400,000
State Historical Society and Heritage Center research collections expansion project		5,700,000 <sup>2</sup>	5,700,000
<b>Total capital assets</b>	<b>\$782,319</b>	<b>\$7,500,000</b>	<b>\$8,282,319</b>

**NOTE:** The total amount of \$8,282,319 consists of the capital assets line item in House Bill No. 1019 (\$982,319) and the two State Historical Society bonding projects contained in Senate Bill No. 2023 (\$7,300,000).

<sup>1</sup> The Chateau de Mores Interpretive Center project, contained in Senate Bill No. 2023, consists of \$800,000 of bond proceeds and \$800,000 of special and federal funds.

<sup>2</sup> The State Historical Society and Heritage Center research collections expansion project, contained in Senate Bill No. 2023, consists of \$5,500,000 of bond proceeds and \$200,000 of special and federal funds.

**Lewis and Clark Bicentennial**

The Legislative Assembly provided a total general fund appropriation of \$932,420 for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item for the 2005-07 biennium, a decrease of \$797 from the executive recommendation due to salary and health insurance adjustments, and an increase of \$8,674 from the 2003-05 biennium appropriation of \$923,746. The Lewis and Clark Bicentennial appropriation is for the following projects/programs:

Exhibits	
Heritage Center museum exhibits	\$88,426
Public programming and interpretation	
State historic sites and Heritage Center programming	\$90,000
State historic sites and Heritage Center brochure reprints	75,000
Archaeological Field School	100,000
Statewide History Conference	10,000
Heritage Center marketing	50,000
State historic sites signage	25,000
<b>Total programming and interpretation</b>	<b>\$350,000</b>
Operating and enhancements	
Fort Buford confluence interpretive staff	\$167,226
Fort Buford interpretive center operating	90,000
State historic sites seasonal maintenance	53,590
Heritage Center Lewis and Clark historian and state archives staffing	183,178
<b>Total operating and enhancements</b>	<b>\$493,994</b>
<b>Total Lewis and Clark Bicentennial funding - General fund</b>	<b>\$932,420</b>

### **Other Sections in Bill**

**Revolving fund appropriation** - Section 4 provides that all fees collected by the State Historical Society and deposited in the revolving fund are appropriated to the State Historical Society for making investigations of permit applicants and for the management and analysis of records and artifacts submitted to the director.

**Grants, gifts, and bequests appropriation** - Section 5 provides that all gifts, grants, devises, bequests, donations, and assignments received by the State Historical Society and deposited with the State Treasurer are appropriated to the State Historical Society to be paid out for the purpose prescribed by the donor as authorized by the board.

**Contingent appropriation** - Section 6 provides a contingent appropriation of \$35,000 from the general fund for the State Historical Society to construct a monument in Roosevelt Park in Minot to honor recipients of the Medal of Honor. This section also provides that the contingent funds may only be spent if the State Historical Society receives matching funds from any source for the monument after consultation and cooperation with the Minot Park Board, veterans, veterans' groups, and other interested parties through an advisory committee appointed by the director of the State Historical Society.

### **Related Legislation**

House Bill No. 1177 allows the State Historical Society to deposit its unexpended appropriations in the historical society impact emergency fund up to an amount of \$250,000.

Section 6 of Senate Bill No. 2023 provided a general fund appropriation of \$150,000 to the Office of Management and Budget for conducting a study regarding an expanded Heritage Center and to examine an alternate location for a comparable replacement facility for the Heritage Center on the Capitol grounds. This section was vetoed by the Governor.

Senate Bill No. 2207 provides that the State Historical Society may develop and administer a historical marker program for the purpose of identifying local, state, and national points of interest in the state.