

**Council on the Arts
Budget No. 709
Senate Bill No. 2010, House Bill No. 1050**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2005-07 executive budget (bills as introduced)	5.00	\$1,028,422	\$1,268,318	\$2,296,740
2005-07 legislative appropriations	5.00	999,691	1,268,318	2,268,009
Legislative increase (decrease) to executive budget	0.00	(\$28,731)	\$0	(\$28,731)
Legislative increase (decrease) to 2003-05 appropriations	0.00	(\$4,712)	\$46,103	\$41,391

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

Salaries and Wages

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

	Major Items FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
The legislative action:				
Added funding for state employee salary increases		\$1,893		\$1,893
Reduced funding recommended in the executive budget for state employee health insurance premiums from \$559.15 to \$553.95 per month per policy		(624)		(624)
Removed funding for a new grant program to support infrastructure and capital equipment needs of local art organizations		(30,000)		(30,000)
Total	0.00	(\$28,731)	\$0	(\$28,731)

FTE Changes

The Legislative Assembly did not change the executive recommendation which included funding for 5 FTE positions, the same as the 2003-05 biennium.

Lewis and Clark Bicentennial

The Legislative Assembly did not change the executive recommendation to provide \$108,300 from the general fund for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item, a decrease of \$55,450 from the 2003-05 biennium appropriation of \$163,750. The \$108,300 is for the following programs/activities:

Bicentennial programs	
2005 activities, including the Cross Ranch summer festival, Knife River Culturefest, and arts activities held at the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center in Washburn and the Williston Confluence Center	\$10,800
2006 Lewis and Clark signature event	35,000
North Dakota Lewis and Clark Resource Council	2,500
Total bicentennial programs	\$48,300
Continuing programs	
Cultural guide reprinting	10,000
2005-06 activities and continuing activities, including additional Lewis and Clark summer activities at Knife River State Park, Cross Ranch State Park, the Amtrak/National Park Service partnership, the Lewis and Clark Confluence Center and the Lewis and Clark Interpretive Center	10,000
North Dakota Council on the Arts traditional arts apprenticeships	5,000
Grants to communities for arts activities during the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	35,000
Total continuing programs	\$60,000
Total Lewis and Clark Bicentennial	\$108,300

Other Sections in Bill

Cultural endowment fund appropriation - Section 4 provides that all income from the cultural endowment fund is appropriated to the Council on the Arts for the furthering of the cultural arts in the state.

Employee classification - Section 6 amends North Dakota Century Code (NDCC) Section 54-54-04 to provide that the employees of the Council on the Arts, except for the director, are classified employees.

Investment of the cultural endowment fund - Sections 5 and 7 make the statutory changes necessary to allow the Council on the Arts Board to invest the cultural endowment fund under the supervision of the State Investment Board.

Legislative intent - Section 8 provides a statement of legislative intent regarding the investment of the cultural endowment fund. This section provides that the Council on the Arts, in cooperation with the State Investment Board, determine the mix and risk for investing the assets of the cultural endowment fund under the management of the State Investment Board.