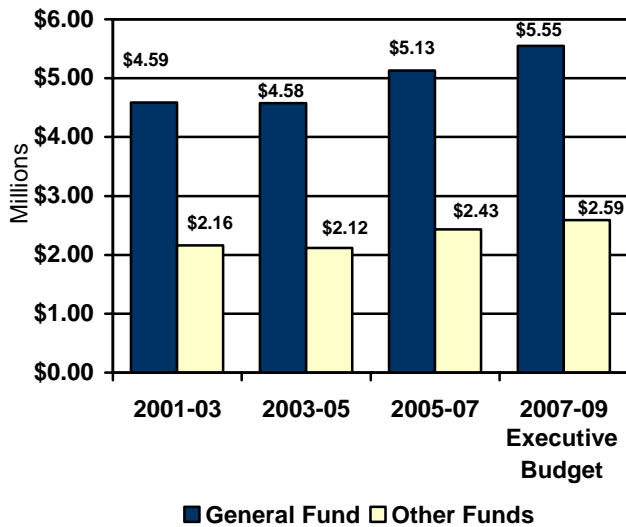


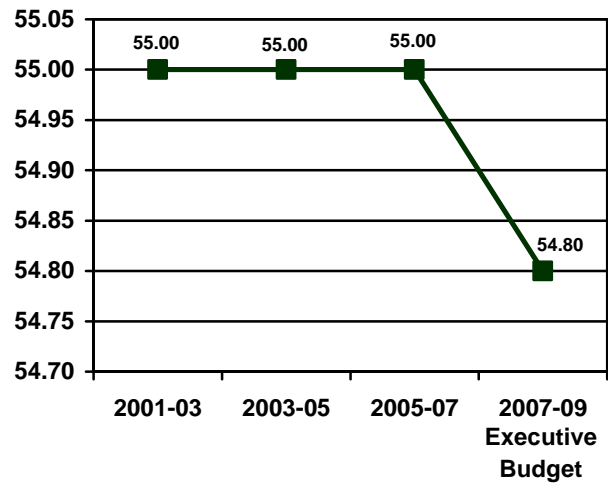
**Department 117 - State Auditor
 Senate Bill No. 2004**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2007-09 Executive Budget	54.80	\$5,545,807	\$2,588,107	\$8,133,914
2005-07 Legislative Appropriations	55.00	5,126,005	2,435,141	7,561,146
Increase (Decrease)	(0.20)	\$419,802	\$152,966	\$572,768

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



First House Action

The Senate did not change the executive budget recommendation of the State Auditor.

Executive Budget Highlights

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Adds funding for National State Auditors Association peer review, which was last conducted in the 2003-05 biennium	\$11,000		\$11,000
2. Provides funding for a new copier for the division of local government audits		\$10,000	\$10,000
3. Increases funding for operating expenses primarily due to increases in costs for travel (\$12,259) and information technology data processing (\$31,825)	\$1,404	\$21,850	\$23,254
4. Maintains \$100,000 from the general fund for an information technology consultant to test information technology system security			\$0
5. Reduces 1 FTE office manager position to a .8 FTE position	(\$23,305)		(\$23,305)

Other Sections in Bill

Section 4 of Senate Bill No. 2004 provides for the statutory changes necessary to increase the State Auditor's salary as follows:

Annual salary authorized by the 2005 Legislative Assembly:

July 1, 2005	\$70,739
July 1, 2006	\$73,568

Proposed annual salary recommended in the 2007-09 executive budget:

July 1, 2007	\$76,511
July 1, 2008	\$79,571

The executive recommendation provides funding for elected officials' salary increases equal to 4 percent of salaries, effective July 1, 2007, and 4 percent, effective July 1, 2008.

Continuing Appropriations

No continuing appropriations for this agency.

Major Related Legislation

Senate Bill No. 2053 - This bill amends North Dakota Century Code Section 54-10-29 relating to audits of computer systems performed by the State Auditor. The bill removes the requirement that the executive officer of any state agency or the governing body of any political subdivision be notified of tests conducted in connection with the review and assessment of computer systems or related security systems. This bill does not remove the requirement to notify the Attorney General of tests conducted on computer systems of the Attorney General's office.