

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1008 - Public Service Commission - Conference Committee Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	Senate Version	Comparison to Senate
Salaries and wages	\$7,086,249	\$6,618,641	\$129,320	\$6,747,961	\$7,079,678	(\$331,717)
Operating expenses	2,005,776	1,944,946		1,944,946	1,944,946	
Capital assets	127,500	127,500		127,500	127,500	
Grants	10,000	10,000		10,000	10,000	
Abandoned mined lands contract services	6,500,000	6,500,000		6,500,000	6,500,000	
Rail rate complaint case	900,000	450,000	450,000	900,000	900,000	
Total all funds	\$16,629,525	\$15,651,087	\$579,320	\$16,230,407	\$16,562,124	(\$331,717)
Less estimated income	10,684,767	10,128,822	498,420	10,627,242	10,684,767	(57,525)
General fund	\$5,944,758	\$5,522,265	\$80,900	\$5,603,165	\$5,877,357	(\$274,192)
FTE	44.00	43.00	0.00	43.00	44.00	(1.00)

Department No. 408 - Public Service Commission - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Restores Funding for the Rail Rate Case¹	Restores Funding Relating to Anticipated Salary Savings²	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages		\$129,320	\$129,320
Operating expenses			
Capital assets			
Grants			
Abandoned mined lands contract services			
Rail rate complaint case	450,000		450,000
Total all funds	\$450,000	\$129,320	\$579,320
Less estimated income	450,000	48,420	498,420
General fund	\$0	\$80,900	\$80,900
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding removed by the House for the rail rate complaint case is restored to provide a total of \$900,000, of which \$800,000 is from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund and \$100,000 is from other funds. This is the same amount restored by the Senate.

² This amendment restores funding for salaries and wages removed by the House to recognize anticipated savings from vacant positions and employee turnover, the same as the Senate version.

The conference committee did not include 1 FTE pipeline inspector position and related funding added in the Senate version.

Section 3 of the bill relating to the metrology program is changed and a section is added relating to the sale or transfer of the metrology equipment.