

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2001

That the House recede from its amendments as printed on pages 1516-1521 of the Senate Journal and pages 1594-1598 of the House Journal and that Engrossed Senate Bill No. 2001 be amended as follows:

Page 1, line 3, after the semicolon insert "to create and enact a new section to chapter 54-35 of the North Dakota Century Code, relating to promotional expenses;"

Page 1, line 4, after "compensation" insert "and expense reimbursement; to provide legislative intent"

Page 1, replace line 18 with:

"Operating expenses	3,268,968	683,958	3,952,926"
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Page 1, replace line 21 with:

"Total general fund	\$12,025,211	\$1,896,760	\$13,921,971"
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Page 2, replace lines 3 through 9 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$7,574,331	\$1,086,529	\$8,660,860
Accrued leave payments	0	143,087	143,087
Operating expenses	3,305,520	548,007	3,853,527
Capital assets	<u>16,500</u>	<u>8,500</u>	<u>25,000</u>
Total all funds	\$10,896,351	\$1,786,123	\$12,682,474
Less estimated income	<u>70,000</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>69,999</u>
Total general fund	\$10,826,351	\$1,786,124	\$12,612,475
Full-time equivalent positions	34.00	3.00	37.00"

Page 2, replace lines 14 through 16 with:

"Grand total general fund	\$22,851,562	\$3,682,884	\$26,534,446
Grand total special funds	<u>70,000</u>	<u>(1)</u>	<u>69,999</u>
Grand total all funds	\$22,921,562	\$3,682,883	\$26,604,445"

Page 2, replace lines 26 and 27 with:

"Information technology projects	<u>159,938</u>	<u>42,000</u>
Total general fund	\$2,242,706	\$542,000"

Page 3, line 18, replace "54-16-05" with "54-16-04"

Page 4, line 24, overstrike "sixty-five" and insert immediately thereafter "seventy"

Page 7, line 15, replace "sixty-five" with "seventy"

Page 10, after line 17, insert:

"SECTION 10. A new section to chapter 54-35 of the North Dakota Century Code is created and enacted as follows:

Legislative promotional expenses.

The legislative management shall establish a policy regarding promotional expenses made on behalf of the legislative assembly. Any expenditure made pursuant to this section must be reported to the legislative management. An expenditure under this section may not be construed as a gift for purposes of section 18 of article X of the Constitution of North Dakota.

SECTION 11. LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the sixty-third legislative assembly that the legislative management consider implementing during the sixty-fourth legislative assembly a limited bill analysis report pilot project to provide bill analysis reports similar to analysis reports prepared in other states."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2001 - Summary of Conference Committee Action

	Executive Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Legislative Assembly						
Total all funds	\$14,336,364	\$14,197,971	(\$276,000)	\$13,921,971	\$13,921,971	\$0
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	0	0
General fund	\$14,336,364	\$14,197,971	(\$276,000)	\$13,921,971	\$13,921,971	\$0
Legislative Council						
Total all funds	\$12,220,456	\$12,175,513	\$506,961	\$12,682,474	\$12,585,640	\$96,834
Less estimated income	69,999	69,999	0	69,999	69,999	0
General fund	\$12,150,457	\$12,105,514	\$506,961	\$12,612,475	\$12,515,641	\$96,834
Bill total						
Total all funds	\$26,556,820	\$26,373,484	\$230,961	\$26,604,445	\$26,507,611	\$96,834
Less estimated income	69,999	69,999	0	69,999	69,999	0
General fund	\$26,486,821	\$26,303,485	\$230,961	\$26,534,446	\$26,437,612	\$96,834

Senate Bill No. 2001 - Legislative Assembly - Conference Committee Action

	Executive Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Salaries and wages	\$9,205,759	\$9,205,759		\$9,205,759	\$9,205,759	
Operating expenses	4,367,319	4,228,926	(276,000)	3,952,926	3,952,926	
Capital assets	530,000	530,000		530,000	530,000	
National Conf of State Legislatures	233,286	233,286		233,286	233,286	
Total all funds	\$14,336,364	\$14,197,971	(\$276,000)	\$13,921,971	\$13,921,971	\$0
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	0	0
General fund	\$14,336,364	\$14,197,971	(\$276,000)	\$13,921,971	\$13,921,971	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

Department No. 150 - Legislative Assembly - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Adds Funding for Connectivity¹	Removes Funding for Audio/Video²	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages			
Operating expenses	121,000	(397,000)	(276,000)
Capital assets			
National Conf of State Legislatures			
Total all funds	\$121,000	(\$397,000)	(\$276,000)
Less estimated income	0	0	0
General fund	\$121,000	(\$397,000)	(\$276,000)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ The operating expenses line item is increased by \$121,000 to provide a total of \$425,000 for costs associated with providing legislators with remote access to data, including broadband, data plans for cellular phones, and other methods as determined by the Legislative Management's Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee, the same as the House version.

² One-time funding is removed for installing audio and video recording equipment in committee rooms, the same as the House version. A section of legislative intent added by the House that the Legislative Management not proceed with implementing a process to record and archive video of standing committee meetings during the legislative session is removed. The Legislative Procedure and Arrangements Committee may use funding available for legislative wing improvements to install audio and video recording equipment in committee rooms.

Sections are added:

- Providing legislative intent that the Legislative Management consider implementing a bill analysis pilot project for the 2015 legislative session, the same as the House version.
- Increasing the monthly limit on legislative lodging reimbursement from 65 to 70 percent of the state employee daily rate. The House had increased the rate to 75 percent of the state employee daily rate retroactively to January 1, 2013. The Senate did not change the current 65 percent rate.

Senate Bill No. 2001 - Legislative Council - Conference Committee Action

	Executive Budget	Senate Version	Conference Committee Changes	Conference Committee Version	House Version	Comparison to House
Salaries and wages	\$8,336,986	\$8,336,986	\$323,874	\$8,660,860	\$8,564,026	\$96,834
Operating expenses	3,858,470	3,813,527	40,000	3,853,527	3,853,527	
Capital assets	25,000	25,000		25,000	25,000	
Accrued leave payments			143,087	143,087	143,087	
Total all funds	\$12,220,456	\$12,175,513	\$506,961	\$12,682,474	\$12,585,640	\$96,834
Less estimated income	69,999	69,999	0	69,999	69,999	0
General fund	\$12,150,457	\$12,105,514	\$506,961	\$12,612,475	\$12,515,641	\$96,834
FTE	34.00	34.00	3.00	37.00	37.00	0.00

Department No. 160 - Legislative Council - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Adjusts State Employee Compensation and Benefits Package¹	Provides Separate Line Item for Accrued Leave Payments²	Adds Fiscal Analyst Positions³	Adds Funding for Energy Meetings⁴	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages	(\$43,039)	(\$143,087)	\$510,000		\$323,874
Operating expenses			15,000	25,000	40,000
Capital assets					
Accrued leave payments		143,087			143,087
Total all funds	(\$43,039)	\$0	\$525,000	\$25,000	\$506,961
Less estimated income	0	0	0	0	0
General fund	(\$43,039)	\$0	\$525,000	\$25,000	\$506,961
FTE	0.00	0.00	3.00	0.00	3.00

¹ This amendment adjusts the state employee compensation and benefits package as follows:

- Reduces the performance component from 3 to 5 percent per year to 3 to 5 percent for the first year of the biennium and 2 to 4 percent for the second year of the biennium.
- Reduces funding for retirement contribution increases to provide for a 1 percent state and 1 percent employee increase beginning in January 2014 and no increase in January 2015.

² A portion of salaries and wages funding from the general fund for permanent employees' compensation and benefits is reallocated to an accrued leave payments line item for paying annual leave and sick leave for eligible employees, the same as the House version.

³ Funding is added for three new fiscal analyst positions and related operating expenses, including information technology and equipment, the same as the House version.

⁴ The operating expenses line item is increased by \$25,000 to provide funding for costs relating to legislators attending meetings of the Energy Producing States Coalition, the same as the House version.

A section added by the House authorizing the hosting of out-of-state dignitaries and the purchase of promotional items is changed to require the Legislative Management to establish a policy regarding promotional expenses.