April 10, 2013

PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1006

Page 1, line 4, after the semicolon insert "to provide an exemption;"

Page 1, replace lines 14 through 23 with:

"Salaries and wages	\$18,797,710	\$2,276,184	\$21,073,894
Operating expenses	6,398,031	2,273,803	8,671,834
Capital assets	16,000	50,000	66,000
Homestead tax credit	8,792,788	17,392,212	26,185,000
Disabled veterans credit	<u>4,243,920</u>	<u>3,434,080</u>	<u>7,678,000</u>
Total all funds	\$38,248,449	\$25,426,279	\$63,674,728
Less estimated income	<u>10,000</u>	<u>115,000</u>	<u>125,000</u>
Total general fund	\$38,238,449	\$25,311,279	\$63,549,728
Full-time equivalent positions	134.00	0.00	134.00"

Page 2, after line 12, insert:

"SECTION 3. EXEMPTION. Up to \$50,000 of the general fund appropriation to the tax commissioner in section 1 of chapter 6 of the 2009 Session Laws continued into the 2011-13 biennium is not subject to provisions of section 54-44.1-11, and may be distributed by the tax commissioner as a grant to North Dakota state university department of agribusiness and applied economics, for the purpose of converting the software of the core model used for the preparation of agricultural land valuations as required under section 57-02-27.2, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2013, and ending June 30, 2015."

Page 2, line 21, replace "four" with "five"

Page 2, line 22, replace "forty" with "fifty-one"

Page 2, line 22, replace "seven" with "nine"

Page 2, line 23, replace "one hundred sixty-one" with "two hundred fifty-three"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1006 - State Tax Commissioner - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$21,151,815	\$19,758,455	\$1,315,439	\$21,073,894
Operating expenses	8,684,314	8,606,834	65,000	8,671,834
Capital assets	66,000	16,000	50,000	66,000
Homestead tax credit	30,685,000	10,685,000	15,500,000	26,185,000
Disabled veterans credit	7,178,000	7,178,000	500,000	7,678,000
Accrued leave payments		624,818	(624,818)	
Total all funds	\$67,765,129	\$46,869,107	\$16,805,621	\$63,674,728
Less estimated income	125,000	10,000	115,000	125,000
General fund	\$67,640,129	\$46,859,107	\$16,690,621	\$63,549,728
FTE	134.00	134.00	0.00	134.00

Department No. 127 - State Tax Commissioner - Detail of Senate Changes

	Restores Executive Compensation Package¹	Removes Separate Line Item for Accrued Leave Payments ²	Restores Funding for Homestead Tax Credit Expansion ³	Adds Funding for the Disabled Veterans Credit ⁴	Restores Funding for Motor Fuel Tax Enforcement ⁵	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages Operating expenses Capital assets Homestead tax credit	\$690,621	\$624,818	15,500,000		65,000 50,000	\$1,315,439 65,000 50,000 15,500,000
Disabled veterans credit Accrued leave payments		(624,818)	15,500,000	500,000		500,000 (624,818)
Total all funds Less estimated income	\$690,621 0	\$0 0	\$15,500,000 0	\$500,000 0	\$115,000 115,000	\$16,805,621 115,000
General fund	\$690,621	\$0	\$15,500,000	\$500,000	\$0	\$16,690,621
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding reductions made by the House to the state employee compensation and benefits package are restored to the Governor's recommended level.

A section is added to allow carryover authority for general fund expenditures relating to a grant to NDSU

for software conversion.

Section 4 of the bill is amended to provide 4 percent annual salary increases for the Tax Commissioner, the same as the executive budget recommendation. The House provided 3 percent annual increases.

² The accrued leave payments line item added by the House is removed and the associated funding returned to line items with salaries and wages funding.

³ Funding is provided for expanding the homestead tax credit program. The executive budget recommendation included \$20 million for the expansion which the House removed.

⁴ Funding is added for the disabled veterans tax credit program to provide for a total of \$7,678,000.

⁵ Funding removed by the House for motor fuels tax enforcement program activities is restored to the Governor's recommended level.