

**HOUSE BILL NO. 1003**

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the attorney general;  
 2 to provide exemptions; and to provide a report to the office of management and budget and the  
 3 legislative council.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds  
 6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state  
 7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and  
 8 other income, to the attorney general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the attorney  
 9 general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, as follows:

	Base Level	Adjustments or Enhancements	Appropriation
12 <del>Salaries and wages</del>	<del>\$40,503,865</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$40,503,865</del>
13 <del>Operating expenses</del>	<del>24,672,585</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>24,672,585</del>
14 <del>Capital assets</del>	<del>2,339,187</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>2,339,187</del>
15 <del>Grants</del>	<del>1,762,659</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>1,762,659</del>
16 <del>Litigation fees</del>	<del>50,000</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>50,000</del>
17 <del>Intellectual property attorney</del>	<del>418,323</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>418,323</del>
18 <del>Abortion litigation fees</del>	<del>400,000</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>400,000</del>
19 <del>Medical examinations</del>	<del>660,000</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>660,000</del>
20 <del>North Dakota lottery</del>	<del>5,282,778</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>5,282,778</del>
21 <del>Arrest and return of fugitives</del>	<del>10,000</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>10,000</del>
22 <del>Gaming commission</del>	<del>7,490</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>7,490</del>
23 <del>Criminal justice information sharing</del>	<del>4,151,701</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>4,151,701</del>
24 <del>Law enforcement</del>	<del>3,455,725</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>3,455,725</del>

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1	<del>Total all funds</del>	<del>\$83,714,313</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$83,714,313</del>
2	<del>Less estimated income</del>	<del>35,247,452</del>	<del>0</del>	<del>35,247,452</del>
3	<del>Total general fund</del>	<del>\$48,466,861</del>	<del>\$0</del>	<del>\$48,466,861</del>
4	<del>Full-time equivalent positions</del>	<del>250.00</del>	<del>0.00</del>	<del>250.00</del>
5	Salaries and wages	\$40,503,865	(\$236,581)	\$40,267,284
6	Operating expenses	24,672,585	(8,527,581)	16,145,004
7	Capital assets	2,339,187	403,185	2,742,372
8	Grants	1,762,659	677,341	2,440,000
9	Litigation fees	50,000	100,000	150,000
10	Intellectual property attorney	418,323	8,808	427,131
11	Abortion litigation fees	400,000	(400,000)	0
12	Medical examinations	660,000	0	660,000
13	North Dakota lottery	5,282,778	55,989	5,338,767
14	Arrest and return of fugitives	10,000	0	10,000
15	Gaming commission	7,490	0	7,490
16	Criminal justice information sharing	4,151,701	(764,019)	3,387,682
17	Law enforcement	3,455,725	(550,907)	2,904,818
18	Total all funds	\$83,714,313	(\$9,233,765)	\$74,480,548
19	Less estimated income	35,247,452	(4,766,904)	30,480,548
20	Total general fund	\$48,466,861	(\$4,466,861)	\$44,000,000
21	Full-time equivalent positions	250.00	(19.00)	231.00

**SECTION 2. HEALTH INSURANCE INCREASE.** The appropriation in section 1 of this Act includes the sum of \$695,462, of which \$637,105 is from the general fund, for increases in employee health insurance premiums from \$1,130 to \$1,249 per month.

**SECTION 3. ONE-TIME FUNDING.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding items approved by the sixty-fourth legislative assembly adjusted for the 2015-17 biennium:

	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2015-17</u>	<u>2017-19</u>
28	Bureau of criminal investigation vehicles	\$332,000	\$0
29	Grants	500,000	0
30	Higher education legal services	600,000	0
31	Criminal justice information sharing	957,856	0

1	Targeted equity - bureau of criminal investigation	1,276,301	0
2	Targeted equity - gaming	<u>270,000</u>	<u>0</u>
3	Total all funds	\$3,936,157	\$0
4	Total special funds	<u>653,333</u>	<u>0</u>
5	Total general fund	\$3,282,824	\$0

6       **SECTION 4. TOBACCO SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND - USE.** The estimated income line  
7 item in section 1 of this Act includes \$200,000 from the tobacco settlement trust fund which the  
8 attorney general may use for the purpose of enforcing the master settlement agreement and  
9 any disputes with the agreement, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending  
10 June 30, 2019.

11       **SECTION 5. ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION - REPORT.** In addition to the  
12 amounts appropriated to the attorney general in section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated from  
13 federal or other funds, the sum of \$250,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the  
14 attorney general for the purposes of defraying the expenses of the office, for the biennium  
15 beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. The attorney general shall notify the office of  
16 management and budget and the legislative council of any funding made available pursuant to  
17 this section.

18       **SECTION 6. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**  
19 The amount appropriated to the attorney general from the strategic investment and  
20 improvements fund for awarding grants to law enforcement agencies, for crime-related needs of  
21 the attorney general's office, and for development of a uniform law enforcement and custody  
22 manual, as contained in section 11 of chapter 471 of the 2013 Session Laws and as continued  
23 in section 5 of chapter 37 of the 2015 Session Laws, is not subject to the provisions of section  
24 54-44.1-11. Any unexpended funds from this appropriation are available to the attorney general  
25 for crime-related needs of the attorney general's office, during the biennium beginning July 1,  
26 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.

27       **SECTION 7. EXEMPTION - ATTORNEY GENERAL REFUND FUND.** Notwithstanding  
28 section 54-12-18, the attorney general may retain the balance in the attorney general refund  
29 fund that would otherwise be transferred to the general fund on June 30, 2017.