

Department 120 - State Treasurer
 Senate Bill No. 2005

Executive Budget Comparison to Prior Biennium Appropriations

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2015-17 Executive Budget ¹	8.00	\$252,026,945	\$0	\$252,026,945
2013-15 Legislative Appropriations ²	8.00	311,333,469	0	311,333,469
Increase (Decrease)	0.00	(\$59,306,524)	\$0	(\$59,306,524)

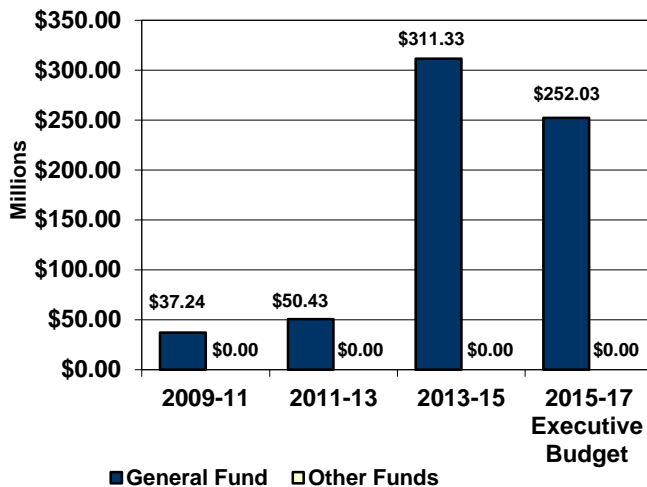
¹The amount shown for the 2015-17 executive budget includes \$250 million for state-paid property tax relief credits.

²The amount shown for the 2013-15 legislative appropriations includes \$200 million for state-paid property tax relief credits, \$100 million for special transportation funding distributions to non-oil-producing political subdivisions, and \$8.76 million for special transportation funding distributions to townships in certain oil-producing counties.

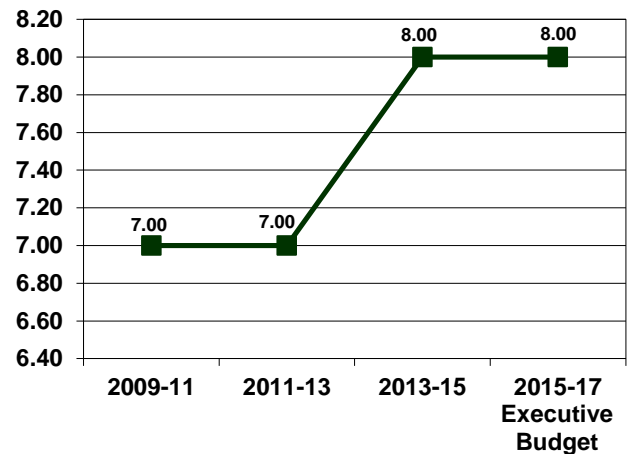
Ongoing and One-Time General Fund Appropriations

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2015-17 Executive Budget	\$2,026,945	\$250,000,000	\$252,026,945
2013-15 Legislative Appropriations	1,797,631	309,535,838	311,333,469
Increase (Decrease)	\$229,314	(\$59,535,838)	(\$59,306,524)

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



Executive Budget Comparison to Base Level

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2015-17 Executive Budget	\$252,026,945	\$0	\$252,026,945
2015-17 Base Level	1,797,631	0	1,797,631
Increase (Decrease)	\$250,229,314	\$0	\$250,229,314

Attached as an appendix is a detailed comparison of the executive budget to the agency's base level appropriations.

Executive Budget Highlights

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Provides funding for state employee salary and benefit increases of which \$71,063 relates to performance increases, \$12,014 is for market equity adjustments, \$34,542 is for health insurance increases, and \$7,312 is for retirement contribution increases	\$124,931	\$0	\$124,931
2. Increases funding for operating (\$30,000) and information technology costs (\$71,658) for total operating expenses of \$237,014	\$101,658	\$0	\$101,658
3. Adds one-time funding of \$250 million for state-paid property tax relief credits	\$250,000,000	\$0	\$250,000,000

4. Decreases funding for coal severance payments from \$252,800 (\$7,800) \$0 (\$7,800) to \$245,000 related to changes made by the 2013 Legislative Assembly requiring annual distributions instead of monthly distributions resulting in two-and-a-half years of payments in the 2013-15 biennium

Other Sections in Bill

State-paid property tax relief credits - Section 1 provides an appropriation of \$250 million from the general fund for state-paid property tax relief credits. Sections 3 and 5 continue the state-paid property tax relief credit in the 2015-17 biennium.

Salary of State Treasurer - Section 4 provides for the statutory changes necessary to increase the State Treasurer's salary as follows:

Annual salary authorized by the 2013 Legislative Assembly:

July 1, 2013	\$91,406
July 1, 2014	\$94,148

Proposed annual salary recommended in the 2015-17 executive budget:

July 1, 2015	\$97,914
July 1, 2016	\$101,830

The executive budget includes funding for elected officials' salary increases of 4 percent effective July 1, 2015, and 4 percent effective July 1, 2016.

Continuing Appropriations

No continuing appropriations for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

The operational audit for the State Treasurer's office conducted by the State Auditor's office during the 2013-14 interim identified no significant audit findings.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1033 - Creates a new section to Chapter 54-27 requiring the State Treasurer to transfer any legacy fund earnings transferred to the general fund in accordance with Section 26 of Article X of the Constitution of North Dakota to the legacy fund.

House Bill No. 1053 - Requires all state agencies to obtain centralized desktop support services from the Information Technology Department, except the legislative and judicial branches and other large state agencies, based on the results of a hardware relocation and consolidation study.

House Bill No. 1059 - Section 2 provides an appropriation of \$230 million from the general fund to the State Treasurer for state-paid property tax relief credits in the 2015-17 biennium.

House Bill No. 1067 - Amends Section 57-39.2-26.1 to change the state aid distribution formula from allocations based on the decennial population to allocations based on the most recent actual or estimated census data.

House Bill No. 1093 - Amends Section 54-27-19 related to the highway tax distribution formula to provide technical corrections for clarity and consistency.

House Bill No. 1094 - Creates a new section to Chapter 54-11 to authorize the State Treasurer to charter a financial health foundation to promote personal financial management related to health care and to provide a continuing appropriation for the foundation.

Senate Bill No. 2033 - Provides a contingent appropriation of \$200 million to the State Treasurer for allocations to political subdivisions based on the oil and gas gross production tax allocation formula if total oil and gas tax revenue collections exceed the legislative forecast by at least 20 percent during the first six months of the 2015-17 biennium.

Senate Bill No. 2103 - Provides an appropriation of \$845 million for the remainder of the 2013-15 biennium from the strategic investment and improvements fund for allocations to counties, cities, school districts, and townships for "surge funding."

**State Treasurer - Budget No. 120
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Base Level Funding Changes**

	Executive Budget Recommendation			
	FTE			
	Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	
			Total	
2015-17 Biennium Base Level	8.00	\$1,797,631	\$0	\$1,797,631
2015-17 Ongoing Funding Changes				
Base payroll changes		\$7,405		\$7,405
Salary increase - Performance		71,063		71,063
Salary increase - Market equity		12,014		12,014
Retirement contribution increase		7,312		7,312
Health insurance increase		34,542		34,542
Funding related to 2013-15 internship program		3,120		3,120
Information technology costs		50,778		50,778
Coal severance payments		(7,800)		(7,800)
Operating expense changes		50,880		50,880
Total ongoing funding changes	0.00	\$229,314	\$0	\$229,314
One-time funding items				
State-paid property tax relief program		\$250,000,000		\$250,000,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$250,000,000	\$0	\$250,000,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	0.00	\$250,229,314	\$0	\$250,229,314
2015-17 Total Funding	8.00	\$252,026,945	\$0	\$252,026,945

Other Sections in Senate Bill No. 2005

State-paid property tax relief

Executive Budget Recommendation
Sections 3 and 5 provide for the continuation of state-paid property tax relief credits in the 2015-17 biennium.

Salary of State Treasurer

Section 4 provides for the statutory changes necessary to increase the State Treasurer's salary from \$94,148 in state fiscal year 2015 to \$97,914 (4 percent) in state fiscal year 2016 and to \$101,830 (4 percent) in state fiscal year 2017.