State Treasurer Budget No. 120 Senate Bill No. 2005

2023-25 legislative appropriation	FTE Positions 7.00	General Fund \$1,986,869 ¹	Other Funds \$0	Total \$1,986,869 ²
2021-23 legislative appropriation	7.00	1,705,918	73,174,975 ³	74,880,893
2023-25 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2021-23 appropriation	0.00	\$280,951	(\$73,174,975)	(\$72,894,024)

¹The amount shown includes \$27,825 of one-time funding and \$1,959,044 of ongoing funding from the general fund.

²The 2023-25 legislative appropriation does not include any transfers of appropriation authority from the Office of Management and Budget funding pools for targeted market equity adjustments, retirement contribution increases, or new and vacant FTE positions.

³The amount shown reflects \$73,174,975 of one-time funding, of which \$53,174,975 is from the federal Local Fiscal Recovery Fund for distributions to political subdivisions, \$11,800,000 is from the tax relief fund for distributions to non-oil-producing townships, and \$8,200,000 is from the state disaster relief fund for distributions to non-oil-producing townships.

Item Description

Targeted market equity - The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$82.5 million, including \$45.1 million from the general fund and \$37.4 million from other funds, to the Office of Management and Budget for a targeted market equity pool to be distributed to state agencies.

New and vacant FTE funding pool - The Legislative Assembly reduced the 2023-25 biennium general fund appropriation authority for the State Treasurer by \$21,090 for the new and vacant FTE funding pool relating to anticipated vacancy savings.

One-time funding - The Legislative Assembly provided \$27,825 of one-time funding from the general fund for information technology programming costs.

Carbon dioxide pipeline payments in lieu of property taxes - North Dakota Century Code Section 57-06-17.2 requires the State Treasurer to provide annual payments in lieu of property taxes to counties for carbon dioxide pipeline property while the property is under a 10-year exemption. Each county auditor is required to submit a statement to the Tax Department by December 26 each year regarding the amount of tax that would have been assessed against the property. After receiving a certification from the Tax Department, the State Treasurer must distribute the annual payments by March 1 of the subsequent year.

Status/Result

The State Treasurer received \$23,234 of general fund authority for targeted market equity increases which were provided to 5 employees.

Through January 2024, the State Treasurer had not received any funding from the new and vacant FTE funding pool and reported estimated vacant FTE position savings of \$1,397 related to 1 vacancy. Of the \$1,397, the State Treasurer used \$781 for accrued leave payouts.

Through March 2024, the State Treasurer spent \$25,435 with the remaining \$2,390 anticipated to be spent by the end of the biennium.

The State Treasurer did not request nor did the Legislative Assembly appropriate funding for the carbon dioxide pipeline payments in lieu of property taxes for the 2023-25 biennium. However, two counties submitted statements to the Tax Department in January 2024 with information regarding the amount of tax that would have been assessed for calendar year 2023. Since the statements were submitted after the December 26 deadline, no distributions are required in calendar year 2024. Based on preliminary estimates, the distributions for calendar year 2025 total \$80,000. The State Treasurer anticipates requesting a deficiency appropriation in the 2025 legislative session for the calendar year 2025 payments and an appropriation for the 2025-27 biennium for subsequent payments.

State aid distribution withholding - Soil survey data - Section 57-02-27.2 requires the State Treasurer to withhold 5 percent of a county's allocation each quarter from the state aid distribution fund beginning with the 1st quarter of 2013 for any county that has not implemented the use of soil type and soil classification data from detailed or general soil surveys in assessing agricultural property. Allocations withheld from counties are to be deposited in the agricultural land valuation fund. After a county implements the use of soil type and soil classification data, the allocations withheld from the county are distributed by the State Treasurer from the agricultural land valuation fund to the county.

All counties have implemented the use of soil type and soil classification data. No counties are subject to withholding, and the balance of the agricultural land valuation fund is \$0.