



**Legislative Assembly  
Department No. 150  
2025 Senate Bill No. 2001**

**REVISED EXECUTIVE BUDGET RECOMMENDATION  
2025-27 BIENNIUM**

**Budget Summary**

|  | <b>FTE Positions</b> | <b>General Fund</b> | <b>Other Funds</b> | <b>Total</b>        |
|--|----------------------|---------------------|--------------------|---------------------|
| Burgum budget recommendation           | 0.00                 | \$29,090,682        | \$0                | \$29,090,682        |
| Revisions - Increase (decrease)        | 0.00                 | 0                   | 0                  | 0                   |
| <b>Armstrong budget recommendation</b> | <b>0.00</b>          | <b>\$29,090,682</b> | <b>\$0</b>         | <b>\$29,090,682</b> |
| Base level                             | 0.00                 | 18,011,846          | 0                  | 18,011,846          |
| Increase (decrease)                    | 0.00                 | \$11,078,836        | \$0                | \$11,078,836        |
| Percentage increase (decrease)         | N/A                  | 61.5%               | N/A                | 61.5%               |

**NOTE:**

More detailed information on the revised executive budget recommendation is attached as an appendix.

**Selected Highlights**

- Provides \$101,079 from the general fund for proposed legislators' monthly compensation and legislative leaders' additional monthly compensation adjustments of 3 percent each year of the biennium, increasing from \$592 to \$610 effective July 2025, and \$628 effective July 2026 and from \$424 to \$437 effective July 2025, and \$450 effective July 2026, respectively
- Provides \$438,663 from the general fund for proposed adjustments to legislative session compensation of 3 percent each year of the biennium, increasing from \$213 to \$219 effective July 2025, and \$226 effective July 2026
- Provides \$21,778 from the general fund for proposed increases of \$5 per day for legislative leaders, to provide a total of \$20 per day, and for assistant legislative leaders and standing committee chairmen, to provide a total of \$15 per day
- Increases funding from the general fund by \$195,272 for temporary session employee salaries, including estimated increases in daily rates of 3 percent each year of the biennium
- Adds \$798,961 from the general fund for the health insurance premium increase for legislators
- Increases funding from the general fund by \$112,163 for operating expenses to increase the maximum monthly lodging expense reimbursement to \$2,079 anticipated for the 2027 legislative session. The maximum monthly lodging reimbursement is \$2,022 for the 2025 legislative session.
- Increases funding from the general fund by \$81,639 for travel for a proposed increase in mileage from \$0.60 to \$0.67 per mile for organizational session and regular session
- Increases funding from the general fund by \$556,444 for operating expenses related to information technology (IT), including data processing, software, maintenance, consulting, and equipment
- Adds \$220,000 from the general fund for capital assets for IT related to audio and video storage and video streaming quality
- Increases funding from the general fund by \$23,102 for National Conference of State Legislatures dues, to provide a total of \$306,172 from the general fund
- Adds one-time funding of \$8,451,000 from the general fund for legislative chamber and systems upgrades

**Deficiency Appropriations**

There are no deficiency appropriations for this agency.

**Significant Audit Findings**

There are no significant audit findings for this agency.

## **Agency Fees**

As reported to the Legislative Management, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-35-27, the Legislative Assembly did not have any fees.

## **Major Related Legislation**

**House Bill No. 1257 - Organizational session** - Requires the Legislative Assembly organizational session be conducted over 5 business days. A fiscal note prepared by the Legislative Council indicates increased expenditures of \$94,407.

**House Bill No. 1408 - Annual sessions** - Requires the Legislative Assembly convene annually. A fiscal note prepared by the Legislative Council indicates one-time savings during the 2025-27 biennium of \$2.9 million due to a shorter session and a cost of \$2.3 million during the 2027-29 biennium.

**House Bill No. 1502 - General fund spending limit** - Requires the total general fund budget approved by the Legislative Assembly for a biennium may not be greater than 3 percent of the general fund budget approved by the legislative assembly for the previous biennium.

**House Bill No. 1532 - Legislative assistants** - Provides \$3.3 million from the general fund to hire temporary legislative assistants for each legislator.

**Senate Bill No. 2187 - State lodging rate** - Increases the state lodging rate from 90 percent to 100 percent of the GSA rate. A fiscal note prepared by the Office of Management and Budget indicates increased expenditures of \$703,846, of which \$464,820 is from the general fund.

**Senate Bill No. 2319 - Reconvened sessions** - Requires the Legislative Assembly reconvene for 3 days each month except December. A fiscal note is pending from the Legislative Council.

**Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4005 - House and Senate positions** - Designates House and Senate employment positions and fixes compensation.

### **NOTE:**

Please see the Fiscal Impact Report for additional information regarding bills under consideration which contain either a state revenue impact, an appropriation, or a state fiscal impact.



**Legislative Assembly - Budget No. 150**  
**Agency Worksheet - Senate Bill No. 2001**

|   | Armstrong Executive Budget |                     |             |                     |
|---|----------------------------|---------------------|-------------|---------------------|
|   | FTE Positions              | General Fund        | Other Funds | Total               |
| <b>2025-27 Biennium Base Level</b>  | 0.00                       | \$18,011,846        | \$0         | \$18,011,846        |
| <b>2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes</b>  |                            |                     |             |                     |
| Base payroll changes  |                            | \$89,350            |             | \$89,350            |
| Health insurance increase   |                            | 798,961             |             | 798,961             |
| Provides funding for proposed legislators' monthly compensation adjustments of 3 percent each year of the biennium, increasing from \$592 to \$610 effective July 2025, and \$628 effective July 2026   |                            | 98,355              |             | 98,355              |
| Provides funding for proposed adjustments to additional monthly compensation for legislative leaders of 3 percent each year of the biennium, increasing from \$424 to \$437 effective July 2025, and \$450 effective July 2026                        |                            | 2,724               |             | 2,724               |
| Provides funding for proposed adjustments to legislative session compensation of 3 percent each year of the biennium, increasing from \$213 to \$219 effective July 2025, and \$226 effective July 2026   |                            | 438,663             |             | 438,663             |
| Provides funding for proposed increases of \$5 per day for legislative leaders and standing committee chairmen  |                            | 21,778              |             | 21,778              |
| Increases funding for temporary session employee salaries, including estimated increases in daily rates of 3 percent each year of the biennium  |                            | 195,272             |             | 195,272             |
| Increases funding for operating expenses to increase the maximum monthly lodging expense reimbursement to \$2,079 anticipated for the 2027 legislative session. The maximum monthly lodging reimbursement is \$2,022 for the 2025 legislative session |                            | 112,163             |             | 112,163             |
| Increases funding for travel for a proposed increase in mileage from \$0.60 to \$0.67 per mile for organizational session and regular session   |                            | 81,639              |             | 81,639              |
| Increases funding for operating expenses related to IT, including data processing, software, maintenance, consulting, and equipment   |                            | 556,444             |             | 556,444             |
| Adjusts funding for operating expenses, including increases in rental equipment and various other expenses offset by decreases in printing and postage  |                            | (10,615)            |             | (10,615)            |
| Adds funding for capital assets for IT related to audio and video storage and video streaming quality   |                            | 220,000             |             | 220,000             |
| Increases funding for National Conference of State Legislatures dues  |                            | 23,102              |             | 23,102              |
| <b>Total ongoing funding changes</b>  | <b>0.00</b>                | <b>\$2,627,836</b>  | <b>\$0</b>  | <b>\$2,627,836</b>  |
| <b>One-Time Funding Items</b>   |                            |                     |             |                     |
| Adds one-time funding for legislative chamber and systems upgrades  |                            | \$8,451,000         |             | \$8,451,000         |
| <b>Total one-time funding changes</b>   | <b>0.00</b>                | <b>\$8,451,000</b>  | <b>\$0</b>  | <b>\$8,451,000</b>  |
| <b>Total Changes to Base Level Funding</b>  | <b>0.00</b>                | <b>\$11,078,836</b> | <b>\$0</b>  | <b>\$11,078,836</b> |

|   |             |                     |            |                     |
|---|-------------|---------------------|------------|---------------------|
| <b>2025-27 Total Funding</b>                            | <b>0.00</b> | <b>\$29,090,682</b> | <b>\$0</b> | <b>\$29,090,682</b> |
| <i>Federal funds included in other funds</i>            |             |                     | \$0        |                     |
| <i>Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level</i> | <i>N/A</i>  | <i>14.6%</i>        | <i>N/A</i> | <i>14.6%</i>        |
| <i>Total changes - Percentage of base level</i>         | <i>N/A</i>  | <i>61.5%</i>        | <i>N/A</i> | <i>61.5%</i>        |