



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

Budget Summary

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Burgum budget recommendation	85.50	\$26,608,187	\$122,607,858	\$149,216,045
Revisions - Increase (decrease)	0.00	(2,769,978)	(22,372,457)	(25,142,435)
Armstrong budget recommendation	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610
Base level	83.50	20,600,349	2,434,264	23,034,613
Increase (decrease)	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997
Percentage increase (decrease)	2.4%	15.7%	4,017.7%	438.6%

NOTE:

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

Selected Highlights

- Adds **\$637,856**, of which **\$572,726** is from the general fund and **\$65,130** is from other funds, for salary increases of up to **3 percent** effective July 1, 2025, and 3 percent effective July 1, 2026
- Adds \$510,449, of which \$458,503 is from the general fund and \$51,946 is from other funds, for a health insurance premium increase of \$250 per month (15.2 percent), from \$1,643 to \$1,893, per employee
- Adds \$1,768,392, of which \$919,203 is from the general fund and \$849,189 is from other funds, to replace the 2023-25 biennium new FTE pool (\$1,131,016) and vacant FTE pool (\$637,376)
- Adds \$408,381 from the general fund and SIIF for 2 FTE positions, including a FTE exhibition preparator position (\$194,170) and a FTE tribal liaison position (\$214,211). Of the total \$10,225 is one-time funding for new FTE position operating expenses, **including \$6,135 from the general fund and \$4,090 from SIIF**.
- Adds \$1,203,247 from the general fund for the cost to continue temporary salaries (\$945,088) and operating expenses, primarily related to insurance, information technology (IT), and utilities (\$258,159)
- Removes \$500,000 from the general fund for cultural heritage grants, resulting in no funding remaining for the program
- Adds \$502,796 from the general fund for compliance costs associated with the Native American Graves Protection and Repatriation Act (NAGPRA), of which \$402,796 is ongoing funding for temporary salaries (\$388,876) and operating expenses (\$13,920) and \$100,000 is one-time funding for operating expenses
- Adds one-time funding of \$638,000 from SIIF for Pembina State Museum exhibit design objects
- Adds one-time funding of \$83,644,524, of which \$40,000,000 is from the strategic investment and improvements fund (SIIF) and \$43,644,524 is from the historical bequests and gifts fund, for the military gallery expansion project
- Adds one-time funding of **\$6,470,000** from SIIF for Medora area planning
- Adds one-time funding of \$3 million from SIIF for improvements to historical structures and buildings
- Adds one-time funding of **\$2 million** from SIIF for America 250 semiquincentennial activities

Deficiency Appropriations

There are no deficiency appropriations recommended in the executive budget for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

The operational audit of the State Historical Society conducted by the State Auditor's office for the period ending June 30, 2022, did not identify any significant audit findings.

The financial statement audits of the State Historical Foundation conducted by Haga Kommer, Ltd. for the periods ending June 30, 2023, and June 30, 2024, did not identify any significant audit findings.

Agency Fees

As reported to the Legislative Management, pursuant to North Dakota Century Code Section 54-35-27, this agency has 1 fee. The agency did not recommend any changes to the fee.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1264 - This bill appropriates \$75,000 of one-time funding from the general fund to the State Historical Society for constructing a bridge at the Whitestone Hill state historic site.

House Bill No. 1438 - This bill appropriates \$1,100,000 of one-time funding from the general fund to the State Historical Society for providing a grant to an organization dedicated to the restoration of a historic theater in a city of more than 100,000. The bill includes a \$1-to-\$1 matching funds requirement.

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.



State Historical Society - Budget No. 701
Agency Worksheet - House Bill No. 1018

	Armstrong Budget			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2025-27 Biennium Base Level	83.50	\$20,600,349	\$2,434,264	\$23,034,613
2025-27 Ongoing Funding Changes				
Base payroll changes		(\$87,917)	(\$218,735)	(\$306,652)
Salary increase		572,726	65,130	637,856
Health insurance increase		458,503	51,946	510,449
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 new FTE pool		360,978	770,038	1,131,016
Adds funding to replace the 2023-25 vacant FTE pool		558,225	79,151	637,376
Adds funding for a FTE exhibition preparator position	1.00	190,080		190,080
Adds funding for a FTE tribal liaison position	1.00	208,076		208,076
Adds funding for compliance with NAGPRA		402,796		402,796
Adds funding for the cost to continue agency operations - Temporary salaries		945,088		945,088
Adds funding for the enhancement of digital services		150,796	220,080	370,876
Adds federal funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			172,402	172,402
Adds funding for the cost to continue IT increases		71,996		71,996
Adds funding for cost to continue increasing operating expenses, including insurance, IT, and		186,163		186,163
Adds funding for Pembina State Museum marketing expenses		37,000		37,000
Transfers \$15,000 from operating expenses to grants for National Historical Publications and Records Commission (NHPRC) grants				0
Remove funding for bonds		(592,375)		(592,375)
Reduces funding for capital assets		(42,000)		(42,000)
Adds federal funding for NHPRC grants			27,500	27,500
Removes funding for cultural heritage grants		(500,000)		(500,000)
Total ongoing funding changes	2.00	\$2,920,135	\$1,167,512	\$4,087,647
One-Time Funding Items				
Adds federal funding for a temporary archaeology collections specialist			\$50,000	\$50,000
Adds one-time funding for new FTE position		\$6,135	4,090	10,225
Adds one-time funding for operating expenses for NAGPRA compliance		100,000		100,000
Adds one-time funding for the enhancement of digital services		4,090		4,090
Adds one-time funding for a temporary historic preservation specialist position			2,011	2,011
Adds one-time funding for Pembina State Museum exhibit designs objects			638,000	638,000
Adds federal funding for the underrepresented community grant program			75,000	75,000
Adds funding for the military gallery expansion project			83,644,524	83,644,524
Adds funding for Medora area planning			6,470,000	6,470,000
Adds funding for state archive storage upgrades		207,500		207,500
Adds funding for improvements to historical structures and buildings			3,000,000	3,000,000

Adds federal funding for Paul Bruhn historical revitalization grants			750,000	750,000
Adds funding for America 250 semiquincentennial activities			2,000,000	2,000,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$317,725	\$96,633,625	\$96,951,350
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	2.00	\$3,237,860	\$97,801,137	\$101,038,997
2025-27 Total Funding	85.50	\$23,838,209	\$100,235,401	\$124,073,610
<i>Federal funds included in other funds</i>			\$3,755,740	
<i>Total ongoing changes - Percentage of base level</i>	2.4%	14.2%	48.0%	17.7%
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