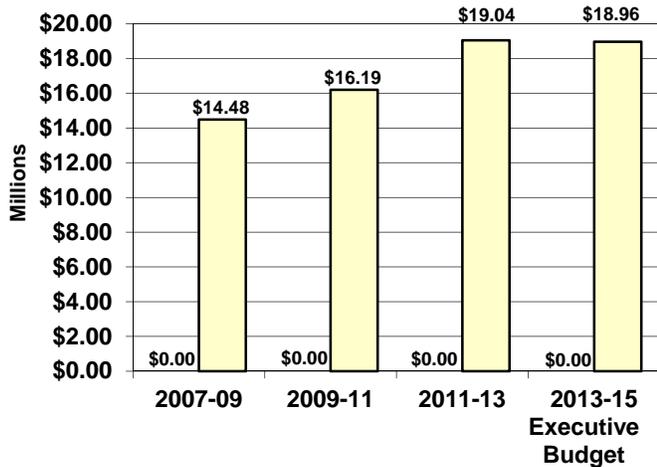


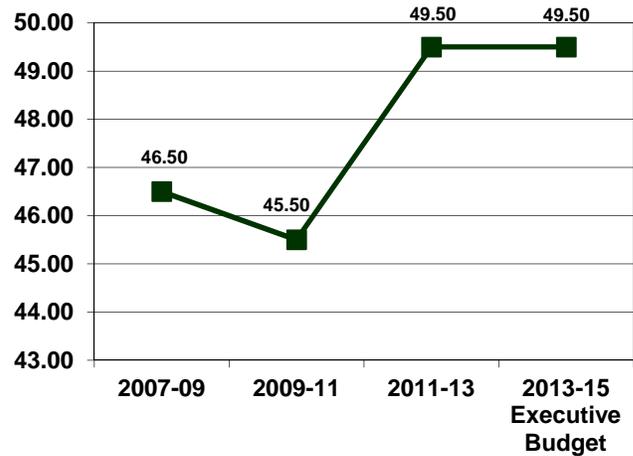
**Department 401 - Insurance Commissioner, Including Insurance Tax Payments to Fire Departments
 House Bill No. 1010**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2013-15 Executive Budget	49.50	\$0	\$18,958,734	\$18,958,734
2011-13 Legislative Appropriations	49.50	0	19,044,080	19,044,080
Increase (Decrease)	0.00	\$0	(\$85,346)	(\$85,346)

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



■ General Fund □ Other Funds

Executive Budget Highlights

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Provides an increase in funding from the insurance tax distribution fund for grants to fire districts to provide a total of \$7,000,000		\$800,000	\$800,000
2. Provides funding for state employee salary increases of which \$322,722 relates to performance increases and \$137,266 is for market equity adjustments		\$459,988	\$459,988
3. Removes one-time funding for the American Health Benefit to be used in the 2011-13 biennium for exchange planning		(\$1,000,000)	(\$1,000,000)
4. Removes one-time funding appropriated during the 2011-13 biennium for IT equipment		(\$70,000)	(\$70,000)
5. Decreases funding relating to operating expenses		(\$690,892)	(\$690,892)

Other Sections in Bill

Insurance premium tax collections uses - Section 2 designates \$7,000,000 for payments to fire departments and \$670,000 for payments to the North Dakota Firefighters Association.

Bonding fund - Section 3 designates \$45,199 from the state bonding fund to pay bonding fund administrative expenses.

Fire and tornado fund - Section 4 designates \$1,722,929 from the state fire and tornado fund, including \$170,000 for a grant to the North Dakota Firefighters Association and \$1,552,929 to pay fire and tornado fund administrative expenses.

Unsatisfied judgment fund - Section 5 designates \$28,690 from the state unsatisfied judgment fund to pay unsatisfied judgment fund administrative expenses.

Petroleum release compensation fund - Section 6 designates \$107,598 from the state petroleum release compensation fund to pay petroleum release compensation fund administrative expenses.

Insurance Commissioner's salary - Provides the statutory changes necessary to increase the Insurance Commissioner's salary as follows:

Annual salary authorized by the Legislative Assembly in 2011:

July 1, 2011	\$90,360
July 1, 2012	\$93,701

Proposed annual salary recommendation in the 2013-15 executive budget:

July 1, 2013	\$96,793
July 1, 2014	\$100,665

The executive recommendation provides funding for elected officials' salary increases equal to 4 percent of salaries effective July 1, 2013, and 4 percent effective July 1, 2014.

Continuing Appropriations

There are no continuing appropriations for this agency.

Significant Audit Findings

There are no significant audit findings for this agency.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1034 - Legislative Management Study - Health Care Reform - Provides for a Legislative Management study on health care reform during the 2013-14 interim

House Bill No. 1145 - Changes the level of funding for insurance tax payments to fire departments and provides a continuing appropriation to the Insurance Commissioner for making the payments