

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)

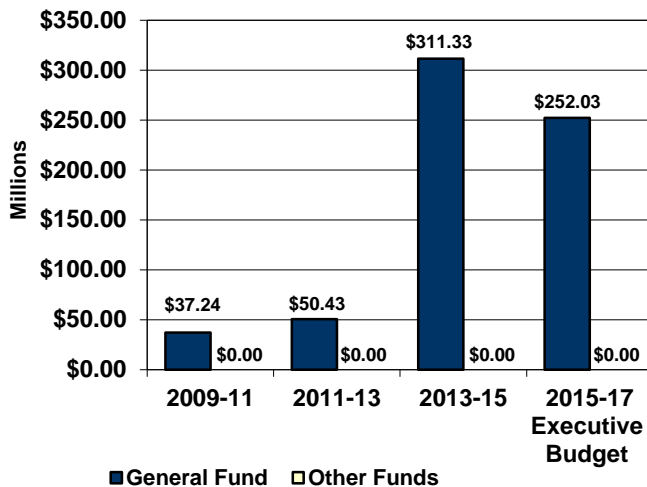
¹The amount shown for the 2015-17 executive budget includes \$250 million for state-paid property tax relief credits.

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.

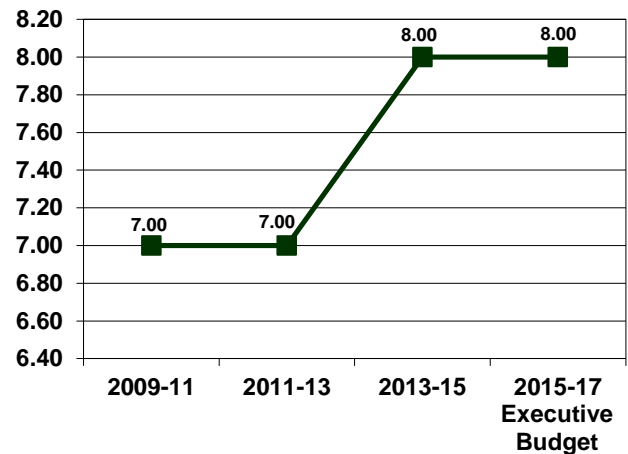
Ongoing and One-Time General Fund Appropriations

	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

First House Action

Attached is a comparison worksheet detailing first house changes to base level funding and the executive budget.

**Executive Budget Highlights
 (With First House Changes in Bold)**

	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. The Senate provided funding for performance salary increases of 2 to 4 percent per year and funding for health insurance increases, but did not include funding for market equity increases or 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. The Senate provided one-time funding of \$226.8 million from the general fund for state-paid property tax relief credits of 11 percent.	\$250,000,000	\$0	\$250,000,000
4. Decreases funding for coal severance payments from \$252,800 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	(\$7,800)	\$0	(\$7,800)

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. **The Senate provided one-time funding of \$226.8 million from the general fund for state-paid property tax relief credits of 11 percent.**

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.

The Senate provided for a 3 percent annual increase to the State Treasurer's salary, resulting in an annual salary of \$96,972 effective July 1, 2015, and \$99,881 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

Senate Bill No. 2103 - Provides an appropriation of \$298 million for the remainder of the 2013-15 biennium from the strategic investment and improvements fund to the State Treasurer for allocations to counties, cities, school districts, and townships for "surge funding."

Senate Bill No. 2172 - Provides that oil and gas tax revenue is considered current period revenue and allocated according to current law formulas.

House Bill No. 1012 - Provides \$8 million to the State Treasurer for allocations to organized and unorganized townships in non-oil-producing counties.

House Bill No. 1033 - Creates a new section to North Dakota Century Code 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 adds transmission line taxes to the calculation of 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.

**State Treasurer - Budget No. 120
Senate Bill No. 2005
Base Level Funding Changes**

	Executive Budget Recommendation				Senate Version			
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2015-17 Biennium Base Level	8.00	\$1,797,631	\$0	\$1,797,631	8.00	\$1,797,631	\$0	\$1,797,631
2015-17 Ongoing Funding Changes								
Base payroll changes		\$7,405		\$7,405		\$7,405		\$7,405
Salary increase - Performance		71,063		71,063		53,123		53,123
Salary increase - Market equity		12,014		12,014				0
Retirement contribution increase		7,312		7,312				0
Health insurance increase		34,542		34,542		34,542		34,542
Funding related to 2013-15 internship program		3,120		3,120		3,120		3,120
Information technology costs		50,778		50,778		50,778		50,778
Coal severance payments		(7,800)		(7,800)		(7,800)		(7,800)
Operating expense changes		50,880		50,880		50,880		50,880
Total ongoing funding changes	0.00	\$229,314	\$0	\$229,314	0.00	\$192,048	\$0	\$192,048
One-time funding items								
State-paid property tax relief program		\$250,000,000		\$250,000,000		\$226,800,000		\$226,800,000
Total one-time funding changes	0.00	\$250,000,000	\$0	\$250,000,000	0.00	\$226,800,000	\$0	\$226,800,000
Total Changes to Base Level Funding	0.00	\$250,229,314	\$0	\$250,229,314	0.00	\$226,992,048	\$0	\$226,992,048
2015-17 Total Funding	8.00	\$252,026,945	\$0	\$252,026,945	8.00	\$228,789,679	\$0	\$228,789,679

Other Sections in Senate Bill No. 2005

	Executive Budget Recommendation	Senate Version
State-paid property tax relief	Sections 3 and 5 provide for the continuation of state-paid property tax relief credits of 12 percent in the 2015-17 biennium.	Sections 3 and 5 provide for the continuation of state-paid property tax relief credits of 11 percent 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.	Section 4 provides for the statutory changes necessary to increase the State Treasurer's salary from \$94,148 in state fiscal year 2015 to \$96,972 (3 percent) in state fiscal year 2016 and to \$99,881 (3 percent) in state fiscal year 2017.