

**State Department of Health**  
**Senate Bill Nos. 2004, 2023, 2124, 2276, 2380, House Bill Nos. 1196, 1202**

	<b>FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
2001-03 executive budget (Governor Schafer) (bills as introduced)	316.00	\$15,045,493	\$84,203,958	\$99,249,451
<b>2001-03 legislative appropriations</b>	<b>316.00</b>	<b>14,812,936</b>	<b>82,297,732</b>	<b>97,110,668</b>
Legislative increase (decrease) to executive budget	0.00	(\$232,557)	(\$1,906,226)	(\$2,138,783)
Legislative increase (decrease) to 1999-2001 appropriations	9.00	\$246,464	\$11,506,131	\$11,752,595
2001-03 Governor Hoeven's recommendation	316.00	\$15,045,493	\$84,203,958	\$99,249,451
Legislative increase (decrease) to Governor Hoeven's recommendation	0.00	(\$232,557)	(\$1,906,226)	(\$2,138,783)

**NOTE:** The amounts on the schedule above include \$2.7 million of bond proceeds to construct an addition to the East Laboratory per Senate Bill No. 2023.

**GOVERNOR HOEVEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS**

The Hoeven recommendation did not change the Schafer recommendation.

**SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET (SCHAFER) AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS**

**Salaries and Wages**

The legislative action affecting the recommended appropriation for the State Department of Health is in accordance with legislative salary and fringe benefit guidelines as contained in House Bill No. 1015. In addition to the above appropriations, agencies may receive additional funding from the \$5 million appropriated in Section 1 of House Bill No. 1015 for special market equity adjustments for classified state employees whose salaries are the furthest from their respective salary range midpoints.

	<b>Major Items FTE Positions</b>	<b>General Fund</b>	<b>Other Funds</b>	<b>Total</b>
The legislative action:				
Added funding for women, infants, and children coordinator position (see <b>FTE Changes</b> section)	1.00		\$100,000	\$100,000
Reduced salaries and wages in administrative services		(7,000)		(7,000)
Reduced operating expenses in administrative services		(8,000)	(32,000)	(40,000)
Removed 1 FTE administrative assistant position, the funding for the position remains in the bill (see <b>FTE Changes</b> section)	(1.00)			
Reduced operating expenses in health resources		(12,000)	(98,000)	(110,000)

Reduced salaries and wages in preventive health	(10,000)		(10,000)
Reduced operating expenses in preventive health	(40,000)	(410,000)	(450,000)
Reduced grants in preventive health		(1,012,194)	(1,012,194)
Reduced women, infants, and children food payments line item		(516,870)	(516,870)
Reduced operating expenses in environmental health	(25,000)	(250,000)	(275,000)
Reduced grants in environmental health		(850,000)	(850,000)
Reduced funding for computer costs	(22,305)	(78,795)	(101,100)
Reduced funding for purchasing computers	(12,625)	(37,875)	(50,500)
Reduced funding for equipment	(25,000)		(25,000)
Increased funding for domestic violence grants from \$90,000 to \$210,000	120,000		120,000
Removed funding for food and formula relating to phenylketonuria (PKU). The PKU food and formula program was transferred to the Department of Human Services and funded in House Bill No. 1012.	(57,619)	(76,378)	(133,997)
Added funding for public health unit grants		76,378	76,378
Provided funding authority from the Attorney General refund fund for a grant to the North Dakota Stockmen's Association for developing and beginning to implement a plan to reduce the potential environmental impact from livestock operations and for matching federal Environmental Protection Agency 319 funds		50,000	50,000
Reduced funding from the community health trust fund for tobacco prevention from \$5 million as recommended in the executive budget to \$4.7 million		(300,000)	(300,000)
Added federal funds for the donated dental services program established in Section 12		35,000	35,000
Changed funding for 3 FTE positions to develop total maximum daily loads and pollution control plans from the general fund to the water development trust fund and federal funds	(99,756)	99,756	
Changed the source of funding for operating expenses and equipment relating to the total maximum daily load positions from the general fund to the water development trust fund	(33,252)	33,252	

Authorized \$117,000 of special funds derived from federal funds and other income to the State Department of Health for the purpose of regulating lead-based paint activities in Senate Bill No. 2124			117,000	117,000
Provided an appropriation of \$180,000 from the community health trust fund to the State Health Council for a dentists' loan repayment program in Senate Bill No. 2276			180,000	180,000
Provided appropriations from the community health trust fund for funding the community health grant program advisory committee (\$100,000) and to provide grants to cities and counties for tobacco education and cessation programs (\$250,000) in Senate Bill No. 2380			350,000	350,000
Provided an appropriation from the health care trust fund for making long-term care nursing scholarship and loan repayment program grants in House Bill No. 1196			489,500	489,500
Provided an appropriation from the health care trust fund of \$225,000 to the State Department of Health for the purpose of funding the quick-response unit pilot program in House Bill No. 1202			225,000	225,000
Total	<u>0.00</u>	<u>(\$232,557)</u>	<u>(\$1,906,226)</u>	<u>(\$2,138,783)</u>

#### FTE Changes

The 2001-03 appropriation includes funding for 316 FTE positions, an increase of nine FTE positions from the 1999-2001 authorized level of 307 FTE positions as follows:

- One FTE women, infants, and children coordinator position added by the Legislative Assembly.
- One FTE registered nurse and one FTE office assistant for pediatric emergency services, recommended in the executive budget.
- One FTE microbiologist relating to bioterrorism, recommended in the executive budget.
- One FTE program administrator and one FTE epidemiologist to expand the tobacco program, recommended in the executive budget.
- Three FTE environmental scientists to develop total maximum daily loads and pollution control plans in targeted watersheds throughout the state, recommended in the executive budget.

The executive budget recommended adding an administrative assistant position in preventive health. The Legislative Assembly removed this FTE position but not the funding and directed the department to utilize an existing FTE for this position.

#### Other Sections in Senate Bill No. 2004

**Tobacco prevention** - The Legislative Assembly added separate line items in Section 1 of the bill for tobacco prevention and control (\$4,700,000 from the community health trust fund) and Centers for Disease Control and Prevention tobacco funds (\$2,369,934 from federal grant funds).

**North Dakota Stockmen's Association grant** - Section 9 was added to provide \$50,000 from the Attorney General refund fund from lawsuit settlement collections, which the State Department of Health is to distribute to the North Dakota Stockmen's Association for developing and beginning to implement a plan to reduce the potential environmental impact from livestock operations. These funds are to be used as matching funds for federal Environmental Protection Agency 319 funds.

**Fetal development booklet** - Section 10 requires the State Department of Health to publish a booklet regarding fetal development. A majority of the pictures must be full-color, photograph-style images.

**State Health Officer qualifications** - Section 11 requires the State Health Officer to have substantive administrative experience and demonstrated experience in the management of people.

**Donated dental services program** - Section 12 establishes a donated dental services program. The Legislative Assembly appropriated \$35,000 of federal funds for the program.

**2003-05 executive budget recommendation** - Section 13 was added but vetoed by the Governor. The section would have required the Office of Management and Budget to submit for introduction the State Department of Health appropriations bill for the 2003-05 biennium to the 58th Legislative Assembly at the same funding levels by line item and employee levels authorized by the 57th Legislative Assembly for the 2001-03 biennium. Any executive budget changes were to be submitted as a recommendation for change to the bill as introduced.

**State aid to local health districts** - Section 15 adds legislative intent directing the State Department of Health to make available an additional \$100,000 within its 2001-03 biennium appropriation to provide local health district grants totaling \$1,100,000.

**Centers for Disease Control and Prevention funds** - Section 16 provides legislative intent directing the State Department of Health to use grant funds from the Center for Disease Control and Prevention to fund tobacco counter-marketing and public education campaigns and local tobacco prevention coordinators and that local public health administrators supervise the local tobacco prevention coordinators. The funds may not be used for lobbying purposes.

#### **Related Legislation**

**East Laboratory addition** - Senate Bill No. 2023 authorizes the issuance of bonds for \$2.7 million to construct an addition to the East Laboratory with \$1,755,000 to be available from non-general fund sources to assist in the retirement of the bonds.

**Lead-based paint activities** - Senate Bill No. 2124 authorizes \$117,000 of special funds derived from federal funds and other income to the State Department of Health for regulating lead-based paint activities.

**Dentists' loan repayment program** - Senate Bill No. 2276 provides an appropriation of \$180,000 from the community health trust fund to the State Health Council for a dentists' loan repayment program.

**Pregnancy, childbirth, and adoption publication** - Senate Bill No. 2361 directs the State Department of Health to publish, update, and reprint when needed a pregnancy, childbirth, and adoption publication. The information, except for copyrighted material, is also to be made available on the department's internet web site.

**Tobacco prevention** - Senate Bill No. 2380 establishes the community health grant program, with the intent to prevent or reduce tobacco usage in the state. The bill provides appropriations from the community health trust fund for funding the community health grant program advisory committee (\$100,000) and to provide grants to cities and counties for tobacco education and cessation programs (\$250,000).

**Nursing scholarship and loan repayment grants** - House Bill No. 1196 provides an appropriation from the health care trust fund for making long-term care nursing scholarship and loan repayment program grants.

**Quick-response unit pilot program** - House Bill No. 1202 provides an appropriation from the health care trust fund of \$225,000 to the State Department of Health for the purpose of funding the quick-response unit pilot program.

**DNA registration** - House Bill No. 1208 requires DNA registration of persons convicted of certain felony violations after July 31, 2001, or in custody for such felony violations after July 31, 2001. The Department of Corrections and Rehabilitation is to collect the cost of the DNA testing procedure from the person being tested and transfer the amount collected to the State Department of Health for deposit in the general fund.