

**Department 160 - Legislative Council
Senate Bill No. 2001**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2001-03 Schafer Executive Budget	33.00	\$7,208,402	\$0	\$7,208,402
1999-2001 Legislative Appropriations	36.00	6,679,184 ¹	165,000	6,844,184 ¹
Increase (Decrease)	(3.00)	\$529,218	(\$165,000)	\$364,218

2001-03 Hoeven Executive Budget	33.00	\$7,208,402		\$7,208,402
Hoeven Increase (Decrease) to Schafer	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

¹ The 1999-2001 appropriation amounts include \$1,068 from the general fund for the agency's share of the \$1.4 million funding pool appropriated to the Office of Management and Budget for assisting agencies in providing the \$35 per month minimum salary increases in July 1999 and July 2000. The 1999-2001 appropriation amounts do not include \$880,610 of carryover authority.

Major Schafer Recommendations Affecting Legislative Council 2001-03 Budget

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Adds funding for increasing interim legislative per diem by \$25 per day, from \$75 to \$100 pursuant to the Legislative Compensation Commission recommendation (Senate Bill No. 2176).	\$138,146		\$138,146
2. Adds funding for increasing mileage reimbursement by \$.06 per mile, from \$.25 to \$.31 pursuant to the Legislative Compensation Commission recommendation (House Bill No. 1197).	\$53,232		\$53,232
3. Adds 1 FTE computer services position (\$104,267) and related operating (\$8,000).	\$112,267		\$112,267
4. Adds funding for replacing information technology equipment.	\$169,300		\$169,300
5. Removes 4 unfilled FTE technology positions and reduces technology services funding to \$240,000.	(\$242,939)		(\$242,939)
6. Eliminates funding for the Crop Harmonization Committee as a special line item.	(\$15,000)	(\$165,000)	(\$180,000)

**Major Hoeven Recommendations Affecting Legislative Council 2001-03 Budget
Compared to the Bill as Introduced (Schafer Budget)**

The Hoeven executive budget recommendation does not change the Schafer executive budget for the Legislative Council.

Major Legislation Affecting the Legislative Council

Senate Bill No. 2043 requires the Legislative Council's Information Technology Committee to review the cost-benefit of select University System technology projects. (Passed Senate)

Senate Bill No. 2176 increases from \$75 to \$100 per day the amount of compensation paid for each day spent in attendance at sessions of the Legislative Council and its committees. (Passed Senate)

House Bill No. 1197 increases the state mileage reimbursement rate from 25 cents to 31 cents per mile. (Passed House)

House Bill No. 1328 appropriates \$500,000, of which \$300,000 is from the environment and rangeland protection fund, to the Legislative Council for Crop Harmonization Committee expenses and for providing grants to address crop protection product registration and labeling issues. (Passed House)

House Bill No. 1407 provides that a legislative measure mandating health insurance coverage may not be acted on unless accompanied by a cost-benefit analysis prepared by the Legislative Council. The bill also provides for a Legislative Council study of existing mandated health insurance coverages.

House Bill No. 1419 appropriates \$150,000 from the workers' compensation fund to the Legislative Council for conducting a workers' compensation study. (Passed House)

Summary of Legislative Changes Resulting From First House Action

See Statement of Purpose of Amendment (attached).