

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1023 - Funding Summary**

	Executive Budget	Final Legislative Action	Comparison To Executive Budget
Water Commission			
Salaries and wages	\$8,966,759	\$9,066,759	\$100,000
Operating expenses	6,477,485	7,503,485	1,026,000
Equipment	514,833	499,833	(15,000)
Capital improvements	23,710,864	28,710,864	5,000,000
Grants	22,625,067	22,475,067	(150,000)
Cooperative research	3,050,000	3,050,000	
Statewide water development projects	62,300,000	67,800,000	5,500,000
Total all funds	<u>\$127,645,008</u>	<u>\$139,106,008</u>	<u>\$11,461,000</u>
Less estimated income	<u>127,645,008</u>	<u>129,372,188</u>	<u>1,727,180</u>
General fund	\$0	\$9,733,820	\$9,733,820
FTE	83.00	84.00	1.00
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$127,645,008	\$139,106,008	\$11,461,000
Less estimated income	<u>127,645,008</u>	<u>129,372,188</u>	<u>1,727,180</u>
General fund	\$0	\$9,733,820	\$9,733,820
FTE	83.00	84.00	1.00

House Bill No. 1023 - Water Commission - House Action

	Executive Budget	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$8,966,759	\$100,000	\$9,066,759
Operating expenses	6,477,485	26,000	6,503,485
Equipment	514,833	(15,000)	499,833
Capital improvements	23,710,864		23,710,864
Grants	22,625,067	(150,000)	22,475,067
Cooperative research	3,050,000		3,050,000
Statewide water development projects	62,300,000	5,500,000	67,800,000
Total all funds	<u>\$127,645,008</u>	<u>\$5,461,000</u>	<u>\$133,106,008</u>
Less estimated income	<u>127,645,008</u>	<u>5,461,000</u>	<u>133,106,008</u>
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	83.00	1.00	84.00

Department No. 770 - Water Commission - Detail of House Changes

	Provides Funding for Fargo Flood Control Project	Reduce Funding for Operating Expenses	Reduce Funding for Equipment	Water to Eastern North Dakota Study¹	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages				\$100,000	\$100,000
Operating expenses		(19,000)		45,000	26,000
Equipment			(20,000)	5,000	(15,000)
Capital improvements					
Grants				(150,000)	(150,000)
Cooperative research					
Statewide water development projects	5,500,000				5,500,000
Total all funds	\$5,500,000	(\$19,000)	(\$20,000)	\$0	\$5,461,000
Less estimated income	5,500,000	(19,000)	(20,000)	0	5,461,000
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	1.00	1.00

¹ Provides for line item transfers and one additional FTE for a study of supplementing the water resources of eastern North Dakota.

The amendment makes the following changes:

- Authorizes up to \$5.5 million from the water development trust fund for flood control projects in Fargo which increases total authorization for state water projects to \$67,800,000.
- Amends North Dakota Century Code Section 61-01-26.1 relating to a study of the water resources of eastern North Dakota contained in House Bill No. 1171, the provisions of which are amended into House Bill No. 1023.
- Exempts the State Water Commission from the requirement to pay for certain services generally charged non-general fund agencies.

House Bill No. 1023 - Water Commission - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$8,966,759	\$9,066,759		\$9,066,759
Operating expenses	6,477,485	6,503,485	1,000,000	7,503,485
Equipment	514,833	499,833		499,833
Capital improvements	23,710,864	23,710,864	5,000,000	28,710,864
Grants	22,625,067	22,475,067		22,475,067
Cooperative research	3,050,000	3,050,000		3,050,000
Statewide water development projects	62,300,000	67,800,000		67,800,000
Total all funds	\$127,645,008	\$133,106,008	\$6,000,000	\$139,106,008
Less estimated income	127,645,008	133,106,008	(3,733,820)	129,372,188
General fund	\$0	\$0	\$9,733,820	\$9,733,820
FTE	83.00	84.00	0.00	84.00

Department No. 770 - Water Commission - Detail of Senate Changes

	Change Funding For Administrative Expenses¹	Provide Authorization for Southwest Pipeline Project²	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages			
Operating expenses		1,000,000	1,000,000
Equipment			
Capital improvements		5,000,000	5,000,000
Grants			
Cooperative research			
Statewide water development projects			
Total all funds	\$0	\$6,000,000	\$6,000,000
Less estimated income	(9,733,820)	6,000,000	(3,733,820)
General fund	\$9,733,820	\$0	\$9,733,820
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment transfers funding for administrative expenses of the State Water Commission from the water development trust fund to the general fund and provides for a transfer of funds from the water development trust fund to the general fund in the amount of \$9,733,820.

² Authorizes \$6 million of federal grant moneys to be used for construction of southwest pipeline.

Section 2 authorizes \$200,000 of funds already approved for water development projects for Section 319 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act for control of nonpoint sources of pollution.

Section 9 of the engrossed bill relating to the tobacco settlement trust fund is removed as the expenses of the State Water Commission are to be paid from the general fund.

This amendment also requires the State Water Commission to offer at least the average value per acre of comparable property for property acquired under eminent domain for an outlet from Devils Lake (Section 12).

The amendment changes Section 14 and limits the capital bonding for water projects to \$20 million and requires in Section 16 that water projects funded from the water development trust fund cannot exceed 75 percent of the amount appropriated from the fund and the remaining 25 percent may be appropriated only to the extent funds are available in the water development trust fund.

In Section 19 a transfer is authorized from the water development trust fund to the general fund in the amount of \$9,733,820, the administrative expenses of the State Water Commission. The \$5,500,000 authorized for Fargo flood control projects includes \$500,000 for preliminary study and planning of the project and \$5,000,000 for construction of the project as provided for in Section 23.

Section 20 includes language that programs for the conservation and development of state water resources may include cost-sharing with local sponsors of water quality improvement projects.

Legislative intent is added that the water development trust fund not be used to fund administrative expenses of the State Water Commission in future bienniums (Section 22).

Section 23 is added requiring permits to be issued, approval from the Southeast Cass Water Resource District, and a public hearing process prior to issuance of bonds or funding being provided for Fargo flood control projects.

House Bill No. 1023 - Water Commission - Conference Committee Action

The House acceded to the Senate amendments.