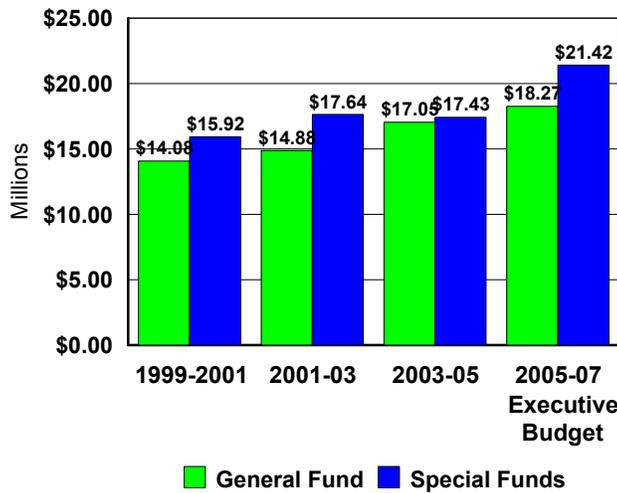


**Department 125 - Attorney General
 House Bill No. 1003 and Senate Bill No. 2023**

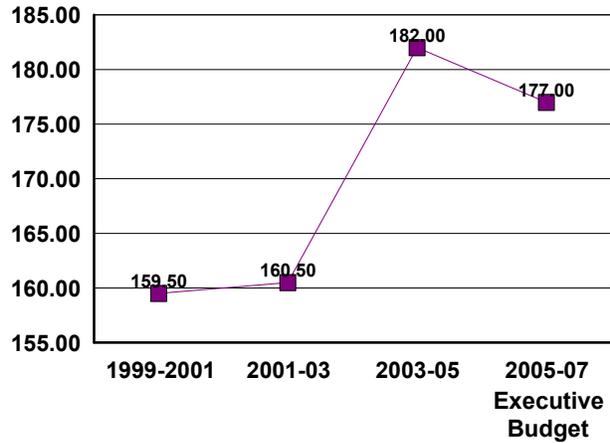
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2005-07 Executive Budget	177.00	\$18,269,636	\$21,421,232	\$39,690,868
2003-05 Legislative Appropriations	182.00	17,054,217	17,429,474 ¹	34,483,691 ¹
Increase (Decrease)	(5.00)	\$1,215,419	\$3,991,758	\$5,207,177

¹The 2003-05 appropriation amounts do not include \$200,000 of additional special funds authority resulting from Emergency Commission action during the 2003-05 biennium.

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



First House Action

Attached is a summary of the first house changes.

**Executive Budget Highlights
 (With First House Changes Noted)**

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Adds 1 FTE Bureau of Criminal Investigation (BCI) agency position (\$107,061) and related operating (\$30,896) and capital assets (\$20,000) costs. (The House removed the FTE position and reallocated the funding to replace an anticipated reduction in federal Byrne grant funds for drug enforcement activities of BCI and the crime lab.)	\$157,957		\$157,957
2. Adds 1 FTE BCI information processing position (\$67,477) and related operating expenses (\$12,052)	\$79,529		\$79,529
3. Adds 1 FTE crime lab forensic scientist position (\$81,393) and related operating expenses (\$25,074). (The House removed the FTE position and reallocated the funding to replace an anticipated reduction in federal Byrne grant funds for drug enforcement activities of BCI and the crime lab.)	\$106,467		\$106,467
4. Removes 6 FTE lottery positions and 2 FTE telephone solicitation enforcement positions paid for pursuant to a continuing appropriation. The positions will still be filled but will be "off-budget."			\$0

5. Provides \$116,000 from the general fund for the purchase of undercover vehicles compared to \$92,000 for the 2003-05 biennium	\$24,000		\$24,000
6. Provides \$240,000 from the general fund for costs relating to the state school finance system lawsuit, the same as the 2003-05 biennium			
7. Provides federal funds for the purchase of automated fingerprint information system (AFIS) equipment		\$1,202,000	\$1,202,000
8. Provides funding for purchasing crime lab equipment	\$38,400	\$81,600	\$120,000
9. Adds funding from the Attorney General refund fund for the leasing of space for the Consumer Protection Division		\$99,892	\$99,892
10. Adds federal funds for the State Fire Marshal to conduct weapons of mass destruction awareness and training		\$118,500	\$118,500
11. Authorizes the issuance of bonds in Senate Bill No. 2023 for crime lab expansion. (The Senate reduced this amount by \$132,691, to \$3,500,000.)		\$3,632,691	\$3,632,691

Other Sections in Bill

Section 9 of House Bill No. 1003 provides the statutory changes increasing the Attorney General's salary. The Attorney General's annual salary is increased from the current level of \$74,668 to \$77,655 effective July 1, 2005, and up to \$80,761 effective July 1, 2006. The House adjusted the Attorney General's salary to \$76,908, effective July 1, 2005, and to \$79,984, effective July 1, 2006, to reflect the 3 percent and 4 percent salary increases.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1024, the deficiency appropriations bill, provides \$110,000 from the general fund to the Attorney General for the 2003-05 biennium for prosecution witness fees (\$45,000), crime lab supplies (\$60,000), and arrest and return of fugitives costs (\$5,000).

House Bill No. 1061 requires the Attorney General to process DNA samples of sexual offenders.

House Bill No. 1089 increases license fees for gaming organizations by \$50, from \$150 to \$200 for each city or county jurisdiction. The additional revenue, estimated at \$68,000 for the 2005-07 biennium, will be deposited in the Attorney General's operating fund.

House Bill No. 1235 requires individuals convicted of a felony to provide a DNA sample and allows the crime lab to store the samples until funding is available to process them.

House Bill No. 1259 makes statutory changes relating to the North Dakota lottery. As passed by the House, this bill removes the continuing appropriation for administrative costs of the lottery.

House Bill No. 1509 authorizes the operation of Internet live poker establishments and requires the Attorney General to license and regulate these establishments.

Senate Bill No. 2248 reduces the fee for state criminal history record checks from \$30 to \$15 and allows six additional entities to request criminal history record checks.

Senate Bill No. 2340 removes the Racing Commission from under the supervision and direction of the Attorney General's office.

Senate Bill No. 2344 provides that license fees collected by the Racing Commission be deposited into a racing operating fund rather than the general fund.

Senate Bill No. 2383 appropriates \$200,000 from the general fund to the Attorney General for children's advocacy centers.