

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:**House Bill No. 1008 - Funding Summary**

	Executive Budget	Final Legislative Action	Comparison To Executive Budget
Public Service Commission			
Salaries and wages	\$5,099,584	\$5,078,988	(\$20,596)
Operating expenses	1,408,153	1,408,153	
Capital assets	58,511	88,511	30,000
Grants	7,000	7,000	
Abandoned mined lands contractual services	3,668,492	3,668,492	
Rail rate complaint case	900,000	945,000	45,000
Total all funds	<u>\$11,141,740</u>	<u>\$11,196,144</u>	<u>\$54,404</u>
Less estimated income	<u>5,985,139</u>	<u>6,921,520</u>	<u>936,381</u>
General fund	\$5,156,601	\$4,274,624	(\$881,977)
FTE	41.00	41.00	0.00
Bill Total			
Total all funds	\$11,141,740	\$11,196,144	\$54,404
Less estimated income	<u>5,985,139</u>	<u>6,921,520</u>	<u>936,381</u>
General fund	\$5,156,601	\$4,274,624	(\$881,977)
FTE	41.00	41.00	0.00

House Bill No. 1008 - Public Service Commission - House Action

	Executive Budget	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$5,099,584	(\$15,479)	\$5,084,105
Operating expenses	1,408,153		1,408,153
Capital assets	58,511		58,511
Grants	7,000		7,000
Abandoned mined lands contractual services	3,668,492		3,668,492
Rail rate complaint case	900,000	300,000	1,200,000
Total all funds	<u>\$11,141,740</u>	<u>\$284,521</u>	<u>\$11,426,261</u>
Less estimated income	<u>5,985,139</u>	<u>1,193,144</u>	<u>7,178,283</u>
General fund	\$5,156,601	(\$908,623)	\$4,247,978
FTE	41.00	0.00	41.00

Department No. 408 - Public Service Commission - Detail of House Changes

	Reduces Compensation Package to 3/4 (\$15,479)	Increases Funding for Rail Rate Case¹	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages			(\$15,479)
Operating expenses			
Capital assets			
Grants			
Abandoned mined lands contractual services			
Rail rate complaint case		300,000	300,000
Total all funds	(\$15,479)	\$300,000	\$284,521
Less estimated income	(6,856)	1,200,000	1,193,144
General fund	(\$8,623)	(\$900,000)	(\$908,623)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment increases the funding for a rail rate complaint case from \$900,000 to \$1,200,000 and changes the funding source from the general fund to the beginning farmer revolving loan fund.

House Bill No. 1008 - Public Service Commission - Senate Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$5,099,584	\$5,084,105	(\$5,117)	\$5,078,988
Operating expenses	1,408,153	1,408,153		1,408,153
Capital assets	58,511	58,511	30,000	88,511
Grants	7,000	7,000		7,000
Abandoned mined lands contractual services	3,668,492	3,668,492		3,668,492
Rail rate complaint case	900,000	1,200,000	(230,000)	970,000
Total all funds	\$11,141,740	\$11,426,261	(\$205,117)	\$11,221,144
Less estimated income	5,985,139	7,178,283	(231,763)	6,946,520
General fund	\$5,156,601	\$4,247,978	\$26,646	\$4,274,624
FTE	41.00	41.00	0.00	41.00

Department No. 408 - Public Service Commission - Detail of Senate Changes

	Reduces Recommended Funding for Health Insurance¹	Reduces Rail Case Funding²	Adds Funding for Sound System³	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages	(\$5,117)			(\$5,117)
Operating expenses				
Capital assets			30,000	30,000
Grants				
Abandoned mined lands contractual services				
Rail rate complaint case		(230,000)		(230,000)
Total all funds	(\$5,117)	(\$230,000)	\$30,000	(\$205,117)
Less estimated income	(1,763)	(230,000)	0	(231,763)
General fund	(\$3,354)	\$0	\$30,000	\$26,646
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment reduces funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$559.15 to \$553.95 per month.

² The Senate reduced the funding for the rail rate complaint case from \$1,200,000 to \$970,000. The funding for the case is \$800,000 from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund and \$170,000 from other sources. The Public Service Commission must have written commitments for the \$170,000 from other sources before spending any moneys from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund.

³ The Senate added funding for improvements to the sound system in the Public Service Commission hearing room.

The Senate added legislative intent that the Public Service Commission hearing room be available to other state agencies and the Legislative Assembly when not in use by the Public Service Commission.

House Bill No. 1008 - Public Service Commission - Conference Committee Action

	Executive Budget	House Version	Conf. Com. Changes	Conf. Com. Version	Senate Version	Comparison to Senate
Salaries and wages	\$5,099,584	\$5,084,105	(\$5,117)	\$5,078,988	\$5,078,988	
Operating expenses	1,408,153	1,408,153		1,408,153	1,408,153	
Capital assets	58,511	58,511	30,000	88,511	88,511	
Grants	7,000	7,000		7,000	7,000	
Abandoned mined lands contractual services	3,668,492	3,668,492		3,668,492	3,668,492	
Rail rate complaint case	900,000	1,200,000	(255,000)	945,000	970,000	(25,000)
Total all funds	\$11,141,740	\$11,426,261	(\$230,117)	\$11,196,144	\$11,221,144	(\$25,000)
Less estimated income	5,985,139	7,178,283	(256,763)	6,921,520	6,946,520	(25,000)
General fund	\$5,156,601	\$4,247,978	\$26,646	\$4,274,624	\$4,274,624	\$0
FTE	41.00	41.00	0.00	41.00	41.00	0.00

Department No. 408 - Public Service Commission - Detail of Conference Committee Changes

	Reduces Recommended Funding for Health Insurance ¹	Reduces Rail Case Funding ²	Adds Funding for Sound System ³	Total Conference Committee Changes
Salaries and wages	(\$5,117)			(\$5,117)
Operating expenses				
Capital assets			30,000	30,000
Grants				
Abandoned mined lands contractual services				
Rail rate complaint case		(255,000)		(255,000)
Total all funds	(\$5,117)	(\$255,000)	\$30,000	(\$230,117)
Less estimated income	(1,763)	(255,000)	0	(256,763)
General fund	(\$3,354)	\$0	\$30,000	\$26,646
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment reduces funding for state employee health insurance premiums from \$559.15 to \$553.95 per month.

² The conference committee reduced the funding for the rail rate complaint case to \$945,000, of which \$800,000 is from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund; \$20,000 from carryover authority from the state rail fund, maintained by the Department of Transportation under Section 49-17.1-02.1; and \$125,000 from the shipper participating in the rail rate case and other sources. The Public Service Commission must have written commitments for the \$125,000 from other sources before spending any moneys from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund.

The Senate had reduced the funding for the rail rate complaint case from \$1,200,000 to \$970,000, of which \$800,000 was from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund and \$170,000 from other sources.

³ The conference committee agreed with the Senate amendment which added funding for improvements to the sound system in the Public Service Commission hearing room.

The conference committee agreed with the Senate amendment adding legislative intent that the Public Service Commission hearing room be available to other state agencies and the Legislative Assembly when not in use by the Public Service Commission.

The conference committee changed the study of the Public Service Commission fees and services to a study of the changes in duties and responsibilities of the Public Service Commission.