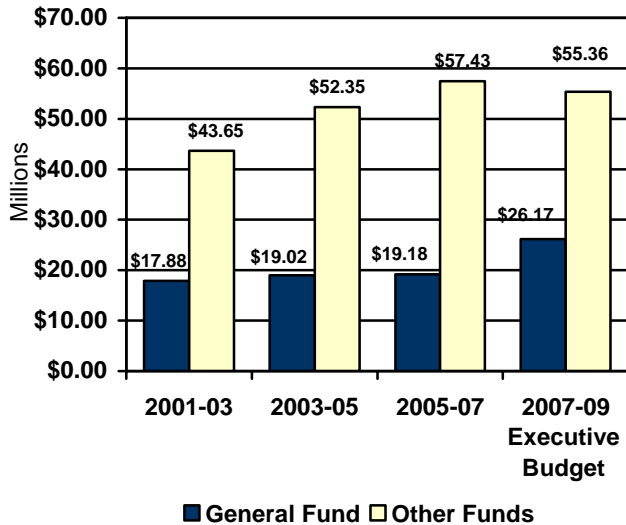


**Department 601 - Department of Commerce  
 House Bill No. 1018**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2007-09 Executive Budget	73.00	\$26,169,736	\$55,361,293	\$81,531,029
2005-07 Legislative Appropriations	62.00	19,180,781	57,434,283	76,615,064
Increase (Decrease)	11.00	\$6,988,955	(\$2,072,990)	\$4,915,965

**Agency Funding**



**FTE Positions**



**Executive Budget Highlights**

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Adds 1 FTE business development specialist in the Division of Economic Development and Finance	\$137,758		\$137,758
2. Adds 10 FTE positions within the Division of Workforce Development to provide students and parents information about career opportunities in target industries in North Dakota	\$1,226,244		\$1,226,244
3. Provides funding for credit and noncredit internships for postsecondary students	\$400,000		\$400,000
4. Adds funding for the manufacturing extension partnership program	\$210,899		\$210,899
5. Provides for a transfer to the Development Fund ( <b>executive budget identified as one-time funding</b> )	\$3,000,000		\$3,000,000
6. Increases funding for the Trade Office from the general fund rather than the Development Fund and Mill and Elevator profits	\$1,400,000	(\$700,000)	\$700,000
7. Provides funding for an innovate ND program	\$100,000	\$150,000	\$250,000
8. Removes funding for the Lewis and Clark Bicentennial line item in the Division of Tourism	(\$3,933,103)		(\$3,933,103)
9. Increases funding for tourism marketing and promotion	\$3,753,948		\$3,753,948
10. Reduces funding for economic development initiatives and grants to \$336,846	(\$207,722)		(\$207,722)
11. Reduces federal funding for community services grants to \$40.4 million		(\$1,450,000)	(\$1,450,000)

**Other Sections in Bill**

Section 8 of the bill requires the Department of Commerce to seek to contract with Dakota Manufacturing Extension Partnership, Inc., to implement the Dakota Manufacturing Initiative that includes building a membership association of manufacturers in North Dakota and South Dakota.

### **Continuing Appropriations**

**Ethanol production incentive fund** - NDCC Section 4-14.1-10 - To provide ethanol production incentives to North Dakota ethanol plants.

**Job opportunities web site** - NDCC Section 54-60-10 - To provide for costs of operating the web site.

### **Major Related Legislation**

**House Bill No. 1027** - This bill makes a number of changes affecting economic development programs, including airport economic development, international business, visitor information centers, innovation and technology, workforce development, and tax credits and exemptions.

**House Bill No. 1137** - This bill makes a number of changes affecting economic development programs, including the American Indian Business Development Office, the North Dakota Women's Business Development Office, the Trade Office, the Agricultural Products Utilization Commission, and the Development Fund.