

**Mill and Elevator Association
Budget 475
House Bill No. 1014**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2007-09 legislative appropriation	131.00		\$36,765,609	\$36,765,609
2005-07 legislative appropriation	<u>127.00</u>		<u>32,841,404</u>	<u>32,841,404</u>
2007-09 appropriation increase (decrease) to 2005-07 appropriation	4.00	\$0	\$3,924,205	\$3,924,205

Item Description

Transfer to general fund - Section 16 of House Bill No. 1014 provides for a \$5 million transfer from the Mill and Elevator Association to the general fund during the 2007-09 biennium.

Status/Result

The Mill and Elevator Association anticipates transferring \$5 million to the general fund in June 2009. The Mill and Elevator profits through March 2008 totaled \$3,021,716. The following table compares the Mill and Elevator assets, liabilities, and equity as of June 2007 and March 2008:

	June 2007	March 2008
Total assets	\$78,046,533	\$134,728,493
Total liabilities	\$22,909,816	\$76,606,314
Equity	\$55,136,717	\$58,122,179

Due to significant increases in grain prices, the Mill and Elevator inventory and accounts receivable balances have increased resulting in a higher total assets balance. The increased grain prices required the Mill and Elevator to borrow more funds than anticipated from the Bank of North Dakota for grain purchases resulting in a higher total liabilities balance.