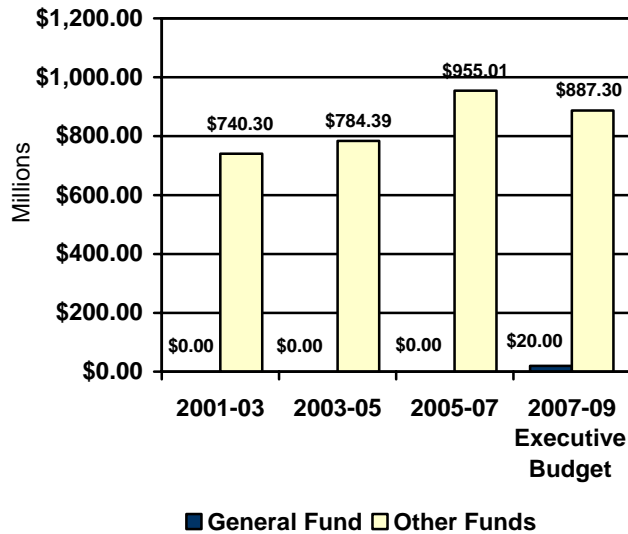


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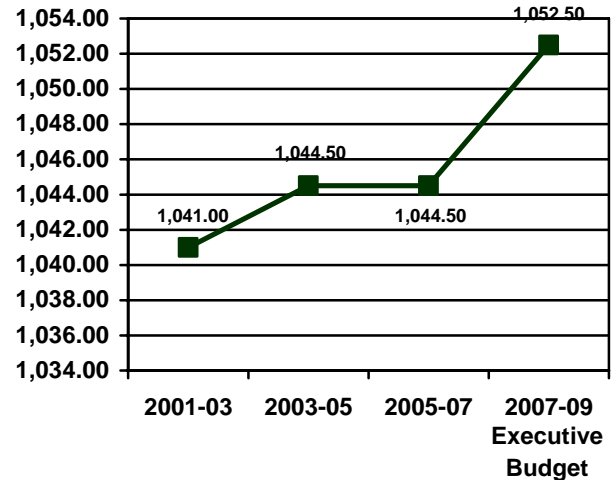
	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2007-09 Executive Budget	1,052.50	\$20,000,000	\$887,295,066	\$907,295,066
2005-07 Legislative Appropriations	1,044.50	0	955,008,348	955,008,348 ¹
Increase (Decrease)	8.00	\$20,000,000	(\$67,713,282)	(\$47,713,282)

¹The 2005-07 appropriation amounts do not include \$162,260 of additional federal funds authority resulting from Emergency Commission action during the 2005-07 biennium.

Agency Funding



FTE Positions



First House Action

Attached is a summary of first house changes.

**Executive Budget Highlights
 (With First House Changes in Bold)**

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
1. Increases funding for road patching maintenance and materials (executive budget identified as one-time funding). The House removed this funding.	\$11,169,972	\$1,009,630	\$12,179,602
2. Increases funding for equipment, including engineering, technology, and digital radio equipment (executive budget identified as one-time funding). The House removed this funding.	\$2,021,860		\$2,021,860
3. Provides funding to rewrite the current mainframe driver's license computer system (executive budget identified as one-time funding). The House removed this funding.	\$5,019,610		\$5,019,610
4. Increases funding for the following information technology projects (executive budget identified as one-time funding): Project management system - \$282,058 Roadway information management system (Phase 1) - \$1,000,000 Applications updates - \$122,000 Imaging workstations - \$384,500 The House removed this funding.	\$1,788,558		\$1,788,558
5. Adds 4 FTE equipment operators hired during the 2005-07 biennium, pursuant to Section 4 of 2005 Senate Bill No. 2012		\$309,185	\$309,185

6. Adds 3 FTE engineering positions hired during the 2005-07 biennium, pursuant to Section 4 of 2005 Senate Bill No. 2012	\$328,490	\$328,490
7. Continues federal funding for the safe routes to schools program approved by the Emergency Commission during the 2005-07 biennium, including 1 FTE coordinator position	\$113,570	\$113,570
8. Removes funding from proceeds of issuing grant anticipation revenue vehicle (GARVEE) bonds during the 2005-07 biennium for the United States Highway 2 four-lane project and the Liberty Memorial Bridge project in Bismarck	(\$53,500,000)	(\$53,500,000)
9. Continues the United States Highway 2 four-lane project and the Liberty Memorial Bridge project in Bismarck from remaining bond proceeds	\$26,000,000	\$26,000,000
10. Includes funding from the highway fund for making bond payments on the GARVEE bonds issued during the 2005-07 biennium for the United States Highway 2 four-lane project and the Liberty Memorial Bridge project in Bismarck	\$2,028,285	\$2,028,285
11. Removes funding for federal emergency relief projects provided for the 2005-07 biennium	(\$54,128,782)	(\$54,128,782)
12. Provides funding for matching an estimated \$221 million of federal highway construction funds in federal fiscal year 2007 and \$224 million in federal fiscal year 2008, an increase over the federal highway construction funds included in the 2005-07 biennium budget of \$202.3 million in federal fiscal year 2005 and \$205 million in federal fiscal year 2006	\$47,000,000	\$47,000,000
13. Increases funding from the highway fund for the highways program use of Fleet Services	\$10,484,983	\$10,484,983
14. Increases funding for vehicle fuel, maintenance, and supplies in the Fleet Services Division to \$18,336,254	\$8,233,760	\$8,233,760

Other Sections in Bill

Section 4 of the bill authorizes the department to hire additional FTE positions for the construction and maintenance of highways if it determines that it is more cost-effective to hire the positions rather than contract for the services. The department must report any additional positions hired to the Office of Management and Budget and the Legislative Council.

Continuing Appropriations

There are no continuing appropriations for this agency.

Major Related Legislation

House Bill No. 1037 - This bill relates to violations for driving without liability insurance and the impoundment of license plates relating to these violations.

House Bill No. 1049 - This bill provides a sales tax exemption for natural gas sales and an exemption from the 2 percent special fuels tax for fuels used for heating purposes.

House Bill No. 1090 - This bill changes the special funds into which certain motor vehicle registration fee collections and Fleet Services revenues are deposited.

House Bill No. 1138 - This bill authorizes emergency medical services providers to receive a refund of taxes paid on fuel purchases.

House Bill No. 1166 - This bill provides for the four-laning of United States Highway 52.

House Bill No. 1348 - This bill replaces the excise tax of 2 percent on sales of all special fuels, except for propane, with a flat tax of 4 cents per gallon.

House Bill No. 1399 - This bill appropriates \$10,000 from the general fund to the Legislative Council for paying state membership fees for the Multistate Highway Transportation Agreement.

House Bill No. 1465 - This bill creates a new category for licensing certain recreational vehicles.

House Bill No. 1495 - This bill provides that 10 percent of motor vehicle excise tax collections be deposited in the highway tax distribution fund rather than the general fund.

Senate Bill No. 2113 - This bill creates the unified carrier registration plan in accordance with federal provisions.

Senate Bill No. 2288 - This bill increases the maximum balance allowed in the ethanol incentive fund from \$5 million to \$10 million. Forty percent of farm vehicle registration fees are deposited in this fund.

Senate Bill No. 2314 - This bill increases the public transportation fee for each motor vehicle registered by \$3 per year, from \$3 to \$6.

Senate Bill No. 2375 - This bill transfers the Department of Transportation's administrative hearings to the Office of Administrative Hearings.

Senate Bill No. 2406 - This bill provides for an annual permit option for oversized vehicles rather than a per trip permit.

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