State Auditor Budget No. 117 House Bill Nos. 1004 and 1015

2017-19 legislative appropriations	FTE Positions 56.00	General Fund \$9,498,608	Other Funds \$3,411,487	Total \$12,910,095
2017-19 base budget	59.80	9,776,582	3,505,870	13,282,452
Legislative increase (decrease) to base budget	(3.80)	(\$277,974)	(\$94,383)	(\$372,357)

#### ONGOING AND ONE-TIME GENERAL FUND APPROPRIATIONS

	Ongoing General Fund Appropriation	One-Time General Fund Appropriation	Total General Fund Appropriation
2017-19 legislative appropriations	\$9,498,608	\$0	\$9,498,608
2015-17 adjusted legislative appropriations	9,776,582	0	9,776,582
2017-19 legislative increase (decrease) to 2015-17 adjusted appropriations	(\$277,974)	\$0	(\$277,974)
Percentage increase (decrease) to 2015-17 adjusted appropriations	(2.8%)	N/A	(2.8%)

## SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE BASE BUDGET AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS

# **Salaries and Wages**

The Legislative Assembly did not include funding for employee salary increases.

Changes to Base Budget				
Governor Burgum vetoed House Bill No. 1004, the appropriation bill for the State Auditor. Sections 4 and 5 of House Bill No. 1015, the appropriation bill for the Office of Management and Budget, included the following legislative action related to the State Auditor:	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Adjusted funding for base payroll changes for cost-to-continue 2015-17 biennium salaries and benefit increases and for other base payroll changes.		(\$99,658)	\$30,422	(\$69,236)
Added funding for employee health insurance premiums to reflect a revised premium rate of \$1,240.83 per month.		104,201	36,495	140,696
Restored funding for 4 FTE North Dakota University System audit positions removed by the State Auditor as part of the 2015-17 biennium budget reductions, including salaries and wages of \$611,300 and operating expenses of \$41,392.		652,692		652,692

Removed 2 FTE University System audit positions, including salaries and wages of \$297,135 and operating expenses of \$12,500.	(2.00)	(309,635)		(309,635)
Removed 1 FTE performance audit manager position.	(1.00)	(277,191)		(277,191)
Removed a 0.80 FTE administrative officer II position due to salaries and wages funding reductions.	(0.80)			
Reduced salaries and wages in anticipation of savings from vacant positions and employee turnover.		(21,768)		(21,768)
Added funding for salaries and wages to reclassify 1 FTE auditor position to a budget specialist position.		25,000		25,000
Reduced funding for operating expenses.		(101,615)	38,700	(62,915)
Removed funding for University System information technology security audits.			(200,000)	(200,000)
Removed funding for information technology consultants.		(250,000)		(250,000)
Total _	(3.80)	(\$277,974)	(\$94,383)	(\$372,357)

### **FTE Changes**

The Legislative Assembly approved 56 FTE positions for the State Auditor for the 2017-19 biennium, a decrease of 3.80 FTE positions from the 2015-17 biennium. The Legislative Assembly removed 2 FTE University System audit positions, 1 FTE performance audit manager position, and a 0.80 FTE administrative officer II position.

#### Other Sections in House Bill No. 1015

**Health insurance increase** - Section 5 of House Bill No. 1015 identifies the amount of funding included in the State Auditor budget for state employee health insurance premium rate increases during the 2017-19 biennium.

# **Related Legislation**

**Occupational and professional board audits and reports** - House Bill No. 1149 amends North Dakota Century Code Section 54-10-27 to increase the annual receipts threshold from \$50,000 to \$200,000 for allowing occupational or professional boards to submit an annual report to the State Auditor's office instead of a required audit.