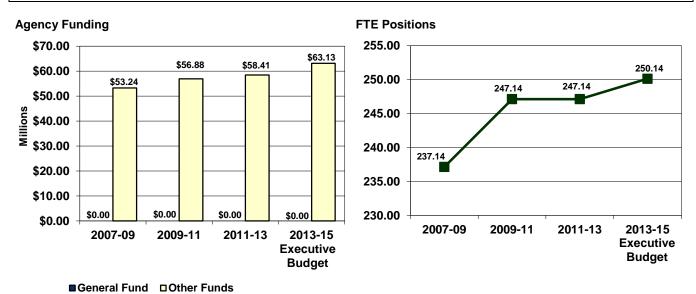
Department 485 - Workforce Safety and Insurance House Bill No. 1021

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2013-15 Executive Budget	250.14	\$0	\$63,131,407	\$63,131,407
2011-13 Legislative Appropriations	247.14	0	58,413,293	58,413,293
Increase (Decrease)	3.00	\$0	\$4,718,114	\$4,718,114



First House Action

Attached is a summary of the first house changes.

Executive Budget Highlights (With First House Changes in Bold)

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	General Fund	Other Funds	Total			
1.	Adds the following 7 new FTE positions:					
	 Claims adjuster II (including \$10,440 of related operating expenses) 	\$167,294	\$167,294			
	 Claims supervisor (including \$13,190 of related operating expenses) 	212,707	212,707			
	 Vocational rehabilitation supervisor (including \$17,050 of related operating expenses) 	199,295	199,295			
	 Medical case manager supervisor (including \$17,050 of related operating expenses) 	213,689	213,689			
	 Underwriter (including \$10,690 of related operating expenses) 	167,543	167,543			
	 Compliance officer (including \$13,590 of related operating expenses) 	159,849	159,849			
	 Loss control specialist (including \$14,050 of related operating expenses) 	183,340	183,340			
	Total	\$1,303,717	\$1,303,717			
2.	Transfers 4 FTE positions to the Information Technology Department	(\$753,274)	(\$753,274)			
3.	Adjusts funding for operating expenses to reflect inflationary adjustments and other budget changes for the 2013-15 biennium	(\$4,779,795)	(\$4,779,795)			
4.	Adds funding for data warehouse project. The House removed this funding.	\$2,000,000	\$2,000,000			
5.	Adds funding for web portal project. The House removed this funding.	\$1,500,000	\$1,500,000			
6.	Adds funding for policy replacement project. The House removed this funding.	\$1,225,000	\$1,225,000			
7.	Removes 2011-13 funding for back-up generator	(\$472,818)	(\$472,818)			

 Provides funding for state employee salary increases of which \$1,970,704 relates to performance increases and \$762,942 is for market equity adjustments. The House added \$68,879 to correct the executive compensation package and reduced by \$1,112,126 funding relating to performance and market equity increases.

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Continuing Appropriations

Building maintenance account - North Dakota Century Code Section 65-02-05.1 - Money in the Workforce Safety and Insurance (WSI) building maintenance account is appropriated on a continuing basis for bond principal and interest payments, operating, maintenance, repair, and payment in lieu of taxes expenses of the buildings and grounds.

Reinsurance and other states' coverage - Section 65-02-13.1 - Money in the WSI fund is appropriated on a continuing basis to allow the agency to establish a program of reinsurance and a program of extraterritorial coverage and other states' insurance.

Allocated loss adjustment expenses - Section 65-02-06.1 - Money in the WSI fund is appropriated on a continuing basis for the payment of all allocated loss adjustment expenses experienced by the agency.

Preferred worker program - Section 65-05-36 - Money in the WSI fund is appropriated on a continuing basis for the payment of the expense of conducting a biennial independent performance evaluation.

Insurance fraud unit - Section 65-02-23 - Money in the WSI fund is appropriated on a continuing basis for the payment of costs associated with identifying, preventing, and investigating employer or provider fraud.

Information fund - Section 65-01-13 - Money in the WSI information fund is appropriated on a continuing basis for the payment of publication and statistical processing expenses incurred by the agency.

Safety programs - Section 65-03-04 - Money in the WSI fund is appropriated on a continuing basis for the purpose of funding work safety and loss prevention programs.

Educational revolving loan fund - Section 65-05.1-08 - Money in the WSI educational revolving loan fund is appropriated on a continuing basis to maintain the fund and provide loans to individuals wanting to pursue a postsecondary education.

Significant Audit Findings

There are no significant audit findings for this agency.

Major Related Legislation

Senate Bill No. 2080 - Premium payments - Workforce Safety and Insurance may require the premium, including an advance premium, within any reasonable time in order to secure the payment of premium by the employer. If the employer fails to make payment of premium(s), the employer is considered uninsured and the account is in delinquency status. Workforce Safety and Insurance may then assess penalties and fees accordingly and may assess a penalty of \$2,000 each premium period the employer is uninsured.

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