PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 1008

Page 1, line 4, after the semicolon insert "to provide for a legislative council study; to provide a statement of legislative intent;"

Page 1, line 22, replace "328,087" with "312,608"

Page 2, line 2, replace "650,000" with "950,000"

Page 2, line 3, replace "1,157,479" with "1,442,000"

Page 2, line 4, replace "(87,628)" with "1,105,516"

Page 2, line 5, replace "1,245,107" with "336,484"

Page 2, line 11, replace "5,099,584" with "5,084,105"

Page 2, line 16, replace "900,000" with "1,200,000"

Page 2, line 17, replace "11,141,740" with "11,426,261"

Page 2, line 18, replace "5,985,139" with "7,178,283"

Page 2, line 19, replace "5,156,601" with "4,247,978"

- Page 2, line 20, after the first boldfaced period insert "**ESTIMATED INCOME -**" and replace "general fund" with "estimated income line item"
- Page 2, line 21, replace "\$900,000" with "\$1,200,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund"
- Page 2, line 26, replace "seventy-two" with "seventy-one"
- Page 2, line 27, replace "six" with "nine" and replace "sixty-nine" with "seventy"
- Page 2, line 28, replace "may not exceed seventy-five" with "seventy-four", remove the overstrike over "eight", remove "five", and replace "seventy-six" with "forty-nine"
- Page 2, after line 31, insert:

"SECTION 6. LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL STUDY - PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION FEES AND SERVICES. The legislative council shall study during the 2005-06 interim the feasibility and desirability of funding the public service commission entirely from special fund revenue sources. The legislative council shall report its findings and recommendations, together with any legislation required to implement the recommendations, to the sixtieth legislative assembly.

SECTION 7. REPAYMENT OF FUNDING. The public service commission shall reimburse the beginning farmer revolving loan fund for any amounts available from damages or proceeds received net of legal fees from a successful outcome of the rail rate complaint case.

SECTION 8. NORTH DAKOTA RAIL SYSTEM - LEGISLATIVE INTENT. It is the intent of the legislative assembly that a well-maintained, efficient, and fairly priced railroad transportation system in North Dakota is critical to the future of the North Dakota agriculture sector and the use of funds from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund for the rail rate complaint case will assist in achieving that objective."

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

House Bill No. 1008 - Public Service Commission - House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages Operating expenses Capital assets Grants Abandoned mined lands contractual services	\$5,099,584 1,408,153 58,511 7,000 3,668,492	(\$15,479)	\$5,084,105 1,408,153 58,511 7,000 3,668,492
Rail rate complaint case	900,000	300,000	1,200,000
Total all funds	\$11,141,740	\$284,521	\$11,426,261
Less estimated income	5,985,139	1,193,144	7,178,283
General fund	\$5,156,601	(\$908,623)	\$4,247,978
FTE	41.00	0.00	41.00

Dept. 408 - Public Service Commission - Detail of House Changes

	REDUCES COMPENSATION PACKAGE TO 3/4	INCREASES FUNDING FOR RAIL RATE CASE ¹	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages Operating expenses Capital assets Grants Abandoned mined lands contractual services	(\$15,479)		(\$15,479)
Rail rate complaint case		\$300,000	300,000
Total all funds	(\$15,479)	\$300,000	\$284,521
Less estimated income	<u>(6,856)</u>	1,200,000	<u>1,193,144</u>
General fund	(\$8,623)	(\$900,000)	(\$908,623)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ This amendment increases the funding for a rail rate complaint case from \$900,000 to \$1,200,000 and changes the funding source from the general fund to the beginning farmer revolving loan fund.