PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO ENGROSSED SENATE BILL NO. 2008

Page 1, line 2, after "commission" insert "; to provide for a legislative council report; to provide for budget section approval"

Page 1, line 21, replace "642,032" with "558,150"

Page 1, line 22, replace "220,048" with "175,912"

Page 1, line 23, replace "49,473" with "30,473"

Page 2, line 2, replace "(945,000)" with "(450,000)"

Page 2, remove line 3

Page 2, line 4, replace "1,639,061" with "1,087,043"

Page 2, line 5, replace "1,068,231" with "663,231"

Page 2, line 6, replace "570,830" with "423,812"

Page 2, line 12, replace "5,764,864" with "5,680,982"

Page 2, line 13, replace "1,628,201" with "1,584,065"

Page 2, line 14, replace "137,984" with "118,984"

Page 2, replace line 17 with:

"Rail rate complaint case

495,000"

Page 2, line 18, replace "12,939,049" with "12,387,031"

Page 2, line 19, replace "8,005,382" with "7,600,382"

Page 2, line 20, replace "4,933,667" with "4,786,649"

Page 2, line 21, replace "\$800,000" with "\$450,000"

Page 2, line 25, remove "agriculture", replace "and service fund" with "complaint case", and replace "\$800,000" with "\$450,000"

Page 2, after line 28, insert:

"SECTION 5. RAIL RATE COMPLAINT CASE - BUDGET SECTION APPROVAL - PRIVATE SECTOR MATCH. Any expenditures by the public service commission for a rail rate complaint case from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund shall be matched by ten percent private sector funds. The public service commission shall request approval from the budget section for any expenditures relating to a rail rate complaint case in excess of \$20,000."

"SECTION 7. GEOGRAPHIC INFORMATION SYSTEM INITIATIVE - REPORT TO SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The public service commission shall provide a report to the sixty-first legislative assembly regarding the status of the department's geographic information system initiative.

SECTION 8. ONE-TIME FUNDING - EFFECT ON BASE BUDGET - REPORT TO SIXTY-FIRST LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY. The total general fund appropriation line item in section 3 of this Act includes \$50,484 for the one-time funding items identified in this section. This amount is not a part of the agency's base budget to be used in preparing the 2009-11 executive budget. The public service commission shall report to the appropriations committees of the sixty-first legislative assembly on the use of this one-time funding for the biennium beginning July 1, 2007, and ending June 30, 2009.

Videoconferencing equipment	\$20,000
Prover	30,484
Total	\$50,484"

Renumber accordingly

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2008 - Public Service Commission - House Action

	EXECUTIVE BUDGET	SENATE VERSION	HOUSE CHANGES	HOUSE VERSION
Salaries and wages Operating expenses Capital assets Grants Abandoned mined lands contractual services	\$5,764,864 1,628,201 107,500 8,000 4,500,000	\$5,764,864 1,628,201 137,984 8,000 4,500,000	(\$83,882) (44,136) (19,000)	\$5,680,982 1,584,065 118,984 8,000 4,500,000
Agriculture rail rate and service fund	900,000	900,000	(900,000)	
Rail rate complaint case			495,000	495,000
Total all funds	\$12,908,565	\$12,939,049	(\$552,018)	\$12,387,031
Less estimated income	8,005,382	8,005,382	(405,000)	7,600,382
General fund	\$4,903,183	\$4,933,667	(\$147,018)	\$4,786,649
FTE	42.00	42.00	(1.00)	41.00

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

	REDUCES FUNDING FOR RAIL RATE CASE ¹	REMOVES 1 FTE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES INSPECTOR POSITION 2	ADDS FUNDING FOR METROLOGY PROGRAM ³	TOTAL HOUSE CHANGES
Salaries and wages Operating expenses Capital assets Grants		(\$83,882) (55,736) (39,000)	\$11,600 20,000	(\$83,882) (44,136) (19,000)
Abandoned mined lands contractual services				
Agriculture rail rate and service fund	(\$900,000)			(900,000)
Rail rate complaint case	<u>495,000</u>			<u>495,000</u>
Total all funds	(\$405,000)	(\$178,618)	\$31,600	(\$552,018)
Less estimated income	(405,000)			(405,000)
General fund	\$0	(\$178,618)	\$31,600	(\$147,018)
FTE	0.00	(1.00)	0.00	(1.00)

¹ The House provided \$495,000, of which \$450,000 is from the beginning farmer revolving loan fund and \$45,000 is other funds from the private sector, for a rail rate complaint case. The references to the agriculture rail rate and service fund are removed. Total expenditures for a rail rate complaint case shall include a 10 percent match from private sector funding. Any expenditures for a rail rate complaint case over \$20,000 require Budget Section approval.

- ² The House removed 1 FTE weights and measures inspector position and related funding for salaries and wages, travel, and equipment.
- 3 The House provided \$31,600 of additional funding for costs to continue the state metrology program and provided that the \$30,000 of funding in the budget to have weights and measures equipment calibrated by Minnesota for National Institute of Standards and Technology-recognized services instead be applied to costs necessary to maintain the state program.

The House added a section identifying one-time funding included in the budget and providing for a report to the 61st Legislative Assembly on the agency's use of the one-time funding.

The House added a section providing for the Legislative Assembly to provide a report to the 61st Legislative Assembly regarding the department's geographic information system initiative.