

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE OF AMENDMENT:

Senate Bill No. 2024 - Funding Summary

	Base Budget	Final Legislative Action	Comparison to Base Budget
Department of Environmental Quality			
Salaries and wages	\$30,587,358	\$32,551,817	\$1,964,459
Operating expenses	9,962,180	10,771,898	809,718
Capital assets	1,263,429	2,247,172	983,743
Grants	15,861,529	15,060,118	(801,411)
Total all funds	\$57,674,496	\$60,631,005	\$2,956,509
Less estimated income	45,193,574	46,969,930	1,776,356
General fund	\$12,480,922	\$13,661,075	\$1,180,153
FTE	165.50	166.00	0.50
Bill total			
Total all funds	\$57,674,496	\$60,631,005	\$2,956,509
Less estimated income	45,193,574	46,969,930	1,776,356
General fund	\$12,480,922	\$13,661,075	\$1,180,153
FTE	165.50	166.00	0.50

Senate Bill No. 2024 - Department of Environmental Quality - Senate Action

	Base Budget	Senate Changes	Senate Version
Salaries and wages	\$30,587,358	\$1,991,173	\$32,578,531
Operating expenses	9,962,180	917,718	10,879,898
Capital assets	1,263,429	(16,257)	1,247,172
Grants	15,861,529	(801,411)	15,060,118
Total all funds	\$57,674,496	\$2,091,223	\$59,765,719
Less estimated income	45,193,574	1,905,853	47,099,427
General fund	\$12,480,922	\$185,370	\$12,666,292
FTE	165.50	0.50	166.00

Department 303 - Department of Environmental Quality - Detail of Senate Changes

	Adjusts Funding for Base Payroll Changes¹	Adds Funding for Salary and Benefit Increases²	Decreases Funding for Temporary Salaries³	Transfers a Computer and Network Specialist III Position⁴	Reassigns Environmental Scientist II Positions⁵	Adds Accounting Positions⁶
Salaries and wages	\$1,276,240	\$779,371	(\$138,050)	(\$224,357)	(\$31,653)	\$329,622
Operating expenses				230,134	41,532	(470,361)
Capital assets						
Grants						
Total all funds	\$1,276,240	\$779,371	(\$138,050)	\$5,777	\$9,879	(\$140,739)
Less estimated income	540,462	549,994	0	3,755	370,679	(140,739)
General fund	\$735,778	\$229,377	(\$138,050)	\$2,022	(\$360,800)	\$0
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	(1.00)	0.00	1.50

	Increases Funding for the Boiler Inspection Program ⁷	Decreases Funding for Operating Expenses ⁸	Adds Funding for Pollutant Elimination Program ⁹	Adjusts Base Level Funding ¹⁰	Adjusts Funding for Volkswagen Settlement ¹¹	Adjusts Funding for Bond and Capital Payments ¹²
Salaries and wages						
Operating expenses	\$200,000	(\$614,873)	\$343,732	\$1,187,554		
Capital assets						(\$96,457)
Grants				113,000	(\$914,411)	
Total all funds	\$200,000	(\$614,873)	\$343,732	\$1,300,554	(\$914,411)	(\$96,457)
Less estimated income	200,000	0	343,732	932,462	(914,411)	(62,347)
General fund	\$0	(\$614,873)	\$0	\$368,092	\$0	(\$34,110)
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

	Adjusts Funding for Extraordinary Repairs ¹³	Adjusts Funding for Equipment and IT Equipment ¹⁴	Total Senate Changes
Salaries and wages			\$1,991,173
Operating expenses			917,718
Capital assets	(\$3,000)	\$83,200	(16,257)
Grants			(801,411)
Total all funds	(\$3,000)	\$83,200	\$2,091,223
Less estimated income	(934)	83,200	1,905,853
General fund	(\$2,066)	\$0	\$185,370
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.50

¹ Funding is adjusted for base payroll changes.

² The following funding is added for 2021-23 biennium salary adjustments of 2 percent on July 1, 2021, with a minimum monthly increase of \$80 and a maximum monthly increase of \$300 and 2 percent on July 1, 2022, and increases in health insurance premiums from \$1,427 to \$1,429 per month:

	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
Salary increase	\$226,935	\$544,350	\$771,285
Health insurance increase	2,442	5,644	8,086
Total	\$229,377	\$549,994	\$779,371

³ Funding for temporary salaries and wages is reduced.

⁴ One FTE computer and network specialist III position is transferred to the Information Technology Department for the IT unification initiative reducing salaries and wages and increasing operating expenses.

⁵ Two FTE environmental scientist II positions funded from the general fund are replaced with a .5 FTE environmental scientist position and a .5 FTE accounting/budget analyst III position funded from the department's operating fund, and 1 FTE environmental scientist II position funded by petroleum tank fees.

⁶ Operating expenses are reduced and 1.5 FTE accounting positions and related funding for salaries and wages are added for the department to assume accounting services currently provided by the State Department of Health.

⁷ Funding is increased for the boiler inspection program from boiler inspection and certificate fees.

⁸ Funding for operating expenses is reduced.

⁹ Funding from pollutant discharge elimination system program fees is added for operating expenses to develop a web-based application reporting system for the North Dakota pollutant discharge elimination system program.

¹⁰ Funding is adjusted for cost to continue increases in operating expenses and grants, including funding to fully fund the Quad O and Quad Oa program and increases in Microsoft Office 365 licensing expenses, IT data processing, IT equipment, and repairs.

¹¹ Funding for Volkswagen settlement grants is reduced to provide a total of \$4,485,118.

¹² Funding for bond and capital payments is adjusted to provide a total of \$119,972, of which \$59,581 is from the general fund.

¹³ Funding for extraordinary repairs is adjusted to provide a total of \$24,000, of which \$4,800 is from the general fund.

¹⁴ Funding is adjusted for equipment and information technology equipment over \$5,000 to provide a total ongoing appropriation of \$1,103,200 of other funds.

This amendment removes a section related to funding from the state fire and tornado fund and amends the section related to funding provided from the petroleum tank release compensation fund. The amendment also adds sections to:

- Amend North Dakota Century Code Section 23.1-16-10 to increase the fee for a boiler inspection certificate from \$20 to \$35. (These provisions are also included in Senate Bill No. 2052.)
- Provide legislative intent that the department use federal COVID-19 relief funds available for wastewater testing before accessing the deficiency appropriation in House Bill No. 1025.
- Require the department gather information from private industry, private organizations, and government that relates to carbon reduction initiatives, rules, or policies that will affect North Dakota residents and industries and report to the Legislative Management.

Senate Bill No. 2024 - Department of Environmental Quality - House Action

	Base Budget	Senate Version	House Changes	House Version
Salaries and wages	\$30,587,358	\$32,578,531	(\$26,714)	\$32,551,817
Operating expenses	9,962,180	10,879,898	(108,000)	10,771,898
Capital assets	1,263,429	1,247,172	1,000,000	2,247,172
Grants	15,861,529	15,060,118		15,060,118
Total all funds	\$57,674,496	\$59,765,719	\$865,286	\$60,631,005
Less estimated income	45,193,574	47,099,427	(129,497)	46,969,930
General fund	\$12,480,922	\$12,666,292	\$994,783	\$13,661,075
FTE	165.50	166.00	0.00	166.00

Department 303 - Department of Environmental Quality - Detail of House Changes

	Adjusts Funding for Salary Increases ¹	Removes Funding for ITD fees ²	Adds One-Time Funding for Laboratory Information Management System ³	Total House Changes
Salaries and wages	(\$26,714)			(\$26,714)
Operating expenses		(\$108,000)		(108,000)
Capital assets			\$1,000,000	1,000,000
Grants				
Total all funds	(\$26,714)	(\$108,000)	\$1,000,000	\$865,286
Less estimated income	(21,497)	(108,000)	0	(129,497)
General fund	(\$5,217)	\$0	\$1,000,000	\$994,783
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00

¹ Funding is adjusted to provide salary increases of 1.5 percent on July 1, 2021, with a minimum monthly increase of \$100, and 2 percent on July 1, 2022. The Senate provided salary adjustments of 2 percent on July 1, 2021, with a minimum monthly increase of \$80 and a maximum monthly increase of \$300, and 2 percent on July 1, 2022.

² Funding for Information Technology Department customer success management fees is removed.

³ One-time funding from the general fund is added for a laboratory information management system. Legislative intent is added to provide the department also seek funding for the project from other special funds.

This amendment also:

- Amends Section 4 of the bill to adjust funding from the petroleum tank release compensation fund relating to salary and fringe benefit adjustments.
- Amends Section 6 of the bill to provide legislative intent that the department use federal coronavirus relief funds or any other funds available for the laboratory information management system before accessing funding from the general fund for the project.

Senate Bill No. 2024 - Department of Environmental Quality - Senate Action

The Senate concurred with the House.