

Sixty-fifth
Legislative Assembly
of North Dakota

ENGROSSED HOUSE BILL NO. 1003

Introduced by

Appropriations Committee

1 A BILL for an Act to provide an appropriation for defraying the expenses of the attorney general;
2 to provide exemptions; and to provide a report to the office of management and budget and the
3 legislative council.

4 **BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY OF NORTH DAKOTA:**

5 **SECTION 1. APPROPRIATION.** The funds provided in this section, or so much of the funds
6 as may be necessary, are appropriated out of any moneys in the general fund in the state
7 treasury, not otherwise appropriated, and from special funds derived from federal funds and
8 other income, to the attorney general for the purpose of defraying the expenses of the attorney
9 general, for the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019, as follows:

		Adjustments or		
	<u>Base Level</u>	<u>Enhancements</u>	<u>Appropriation</u>	
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12	Salaries and wages	\$40,503,865	(\$236,581)	\$40,267,284
13	Operating expenses	24,672,585	(8,527,581)	16,145,004
14	Capital assets	2,339,187	403,185	2,742,372
15	Grants	1,762,659	677,341	2,440,000
16	Litigation fees	50,000	100,000	150,000
17	Intellectual property attorney	418,323	8,808	427,131
18	Abortion litigation fees	400,000	(400,000)	0
19	Medical examinations	660,000	0	660,000
20	North Dakota lottery	5,282,778	55,989	5,338,767
21	Arrest and return of fugitives	10,000	0	10,000
22	Gaming commission	7,490	0	7,490
23	Criminal justice information sharing	4,151,701	(764,019)	3,387,682
24	Law enforcement	<u>3,455,725</u>	<u>(550,907)</u>	<u>2,904,818</u>

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1	Total all funds	\$83,714,313	(\$9,233,765)	\$74,480,548
2	Less estimated income	<u>35,247,452</u>	<u>(4,766,904)</u>	<u>30,480,548</u>
3	Total general fund	\$48,466,861	(\$4,466,861)	\$44,000,000
4	Full-time equivalent positions	250.00	(19.00)	231.00

5 **SECTION 2. HEALTH INSURANCE INCREASE.** The appropriation in section 1 of this Act
6 includes the sum of \$695,462, of which \$637,105 is from the general fund, for increases in
7 employee health insurance premiums from \$1,130 to \$1,249 per month.

8 **SECTION 3. ONE-TIME FUNDING.** The following amounts reflect the one-time funding
9 items approved by the sixty-fourth legislative assembly adjusted for the 2015-17 biennium:

10	<u>One-Time Funding Description</u>	<u>2015-17</u>	<u>2017-19</u>
11	Bureau of criminal investigation vehicles	\$332,000	\$0
12	Grants	500,000	0
13	Higher education legal services	600,000	0
14	Criminal justice information sharing	957,856	0
15	Targeted equity - bureau of criminal investigation	1,276,301	0
16	Targeted equity - gaming	<u>270,000</u>	<u>0</u>
17	Total all funds	\$3,936,157	\$0
18	Total special funds	<u>653,333</u>	<u>0</u>
19	Total general fund	\$3,282,824	\$0

20 **SECTION 4. TOBACCO SETTLEMENT TRUST FUND - USE.** The estimated income line
21 item in section 1 of this Act includes \$200,000 from the tobacco settlement trust fund which the
22 attorney general may use for the purpose of enforcing the master settlement agreement and
23 any disputes with the agreement, during the biennium beginning July 1, 2017, and ending
24 June 30, 2019.

25 **SECTION 5. ADDITIONAL INCOME - APPROPRIATION - REPORT.** In addition to the
26 amounts appropriated to the attorney general in section 1 of this Act, there is appropriated from
27 federal or other funds, the sum of \$250,000, or so much of the sum as may be necessary, to the
28 attorney general for the purposes of defraying the expenses of the office, for the biennium
29 beginning July 1, 2017, and ending June 30, 2019. The attorney general shall notify the office of
30 management and budget and the legislative council of any funding made available pursuant to
31 this section.

1 **SECTION 6. EXEMPTION - STRATEGIC INVESTMENT AND IMPROVEMENTS FUND.**

2 The amount appropriated to the attorney general from the strategic investment and
3 improvements fund for awarding grants to law enforcement agencies, for crime-related needs of
4 the attorney general's office, and for development of a uniform law enforcement and custody
5 manual, as contained in section 11 of chapter 471 of the 2013 Session Laws and as continued
6 in section 5 of chapter 37 of the 2015 Session Laws, is not subject to the provisions of section
7 54-44.1-11. Any unexpended funds from this appropriation are available to the attorney general
8 for crime-related needs of the attorney general's office, during the biennium beginning July 1,
9 2017, and ending June 30, 2019.

10 **SECTION 7. EXEMPTION - ATTORNEY GENERAL REFUND FUND.** Notwithstanding
11 section 54-12-18, the attorney general may retain the balance in the attorney general refund
12 fund that would otherwise be transferred to the general fund on June 30, 2017.