

# FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council

04/05/2001

Bill/Resolution No.:

Amendment to: Engrossed  
HB 1023

1A. **State fiscal effect:** *Identify the state fiscal effect and the fiscal effect on agency appropriations compared to funding levels and appropriations anticipated under current law.*

1999-2001 Biennium		2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium	
General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds

Revenues

Expenditures

Appropriations

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

1999-2001 Biennium			2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2. **Narrative:** *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

HB 1023, as amended, is the State Water Commission's appropriation bill. The bill transfers \$9,733,820 from the Water Development Trust Fund to the General Fund to provide funds for the State Water Commission's operations. HB 1023, as amended, provides the State Water Commission the authority to issue an additional \$20 million of bonds for statewide water projects as well as extending previously authorized bonding authority. The bill also authorizes the State Water Commission to replace the existing shop building and land, using the proceeds from the sale of the old facility to fund the replacement.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

HB 1023, as amended, provides authorization to the State Water Commission to issue bonds up to the amount of \$20 million for statewide water development projects. The bill also extends the Water Commission's authority to issue bonds as provided in chapter 61-02.1 through June 30, 2003. This authority was originally \$84.8 million of which \$27.5 million has been issued leaving a balance of \$57.3 million.

B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

HB 1023, as amended, transfers \$9,733,820 from the Water Development Trust Fund to the General Fund to provide funds for the State Water Commission's operations. A statewide water development projects line item totaling \$67.8 million has been authorized, this includes \$31.5 million for projects authorized in chapter 61-02.1, \$5.5 million for a flood control project to protect a portion of the city of Fargo, and \$0.2 million for section 319 of the Federal Water Pollution Control Act projects. The water development projects may be funded from bond proceeds, Water Development Trust Fund revenues, Resource Trust Fund revenues, or any combination of the three. The actual funding mix is to be determined by the State Water Commission. HB 1023, as amended, add two FTE's, one for a Geographical Information System Specialist to support the expanding needs of the GIS function, and one to coordinate and prepare a water supplementation study for eastern North Dakota.

**C. Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

Section 16 of HB 1023, as amended, limits the expenditures of the statewide water development projects line item for the 2001-2003 biennium to \$67.8 million. This amount consists of a limited combination of \$28,572,333 provided in Section 1, \$20 million provided in Section 14, and \$31.5 million provided in Section 21. The \$67.8 million limitation does not apply to water projects appropriated under the Capital Improvements or the Grants line items.

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