

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council

12/17/2004

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1058

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.*

| | 2003-2005 Biennium | | 2005-2007 Biennium | | 2007-2009 Biennium | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds |
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| Expenditures | | | | \$40,000 | | \$10,000 |
| Appropriations | | | | | | |

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

| 2003-2005 Biennium | | | 2005-2007 Biennium | | | 2007-2009 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.*

The change from the Governor's proclamation process to the administrative rule system would require a major rewrite and format adjustment for the new rules. An attorney from the ND Attorney General's staff would have to spend a significant amount of time on this project. There would also be some additional newspaper publication and related rule making costs that would be ongoing.

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.*

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.*

It is difficult to estimate the attorney fees that would be required to make this change. It would be a major effort to convert the fishing, small game, waterfowl, deer, pronghorn, moose, elk, bighorn and waterfowl rest area governor's proclamations to rules. It is estimated that \$30,000 would be needed for this initial conversion. An additional \$10,000 per biennium would be needed to cover ongoing rule making costs. Hunting season dates, number of licenses available, unit boundaries, bag limits and other items change each year and this would make rule amendments an annual activity.

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.*

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