

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
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Bill/Resolution No.: SCR4031

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.*

	2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium		2011-2013 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures					(\$273,158)	
Appropriations					(\$273,158)	

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

2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium			2011-2013 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2A. Bill and fiscal impact summary: *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

Senate Concurrent Resolution No. 4031 is a proposed amendment to Article IV of the Constitution of North Dakota to establish an independent legislative redistricting commission.

B. Fiscal impact sections: *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

The proposed constitutional amendment provides that the Legislative Assembly is to appropriate funds necessary for the operation of the commission and the efficient performance of the commission's duties and is to provide compensation and expense reimbursement to commission members during the period of service of the commission as provided for other state officers and employees. The Legislative Assembly would no longer meet in special session to approve the redistricting plan.

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.*

N/A

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.*

The following is a brief description of the estimated fiscal impact of the measure.

The estimated costs of the commission assuming 7 meetings of the commission during the 2011-13 biennium (the same number of meetings as the 2001-02 interim legislative committee) include:

Funding for per diem - \$13,733

Funding for travel expenses - \$14,569

Funding for equipment, software, and other expenses - \$130,000

Total - \$158,302

Actual costs will depend on the decisions and actions of the commission.

The estimated reduction in costs for the Legislative Assembly include:

Equipment and software - (\$116,000)

Five day special legislative session (same number of days as 2001 special session) - (\$290,000)

Legislative interim committee on redistricting - (\$25,460)

Total - (\$431,460)

C. Appropriations: *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The 2011-13 appropriations would potentially be decreased by a net amount of \$273,158.

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