

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**01/21/2013**

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1376

- 1 A. **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.*

	2011-2013 Biennium		2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures						
Appropriations						

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

	2011-2013 Biennium	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

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

The proposed legislation expands the definition of “compensable injury” to include mental injury arising from mental stimulus if the injured employee is a first responder as defined under section 23-27-02.

- 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.*

see attached

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.*
- 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.*

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**WORKFORCE SAFETY & INSURANCE**  
**2013 LEGISLATION**  
**SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL INFORMATION**

**BILL NO: HB 1376**

**BILL DESCRIPTION: Mental-Mental First Responders**

**SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL INFORMATION:** Workforce Safety & Insurance, together with its actuarial firm, Bickerstaff, Whatley, Ryan & Burkhalter Consulting Actuaries, has reviewed the legislation proposed in this bill in conformance with Section 54-03-25 of the North Dakota Century Code.

The proposed legislation expands the definition of “compensable injury” to include mental injury arising from mental stimulus if the injured employee is a first responder, i.e. a law enforcement officer, a firefighter, or emergency medical services personnel as defined under section 23-27-02.

**FISCAL IMPACT:**

Not quantifiable. We don’t anticipate that the proposed legislation will have a material impact on statewide premium rate levels; however, rates for the specific first responder classifications may increase over time as a result of the expanded coverage. To what extent is unclear as we don’t have access to an appropriate base of historical experience to use in deriving the estimates.

**DATE: January 23, 2013**