

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
01/22/2013

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2298

- 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 provides that an organization determination is subject to de novo review at an administrative hearing and provides for organizational payment of testifying expenses for the treating doctor at an administrative hearing.

- 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: SB 2298

BILL DESCRIPTION: De Novo Review/Payment of Treating Doctor Testifying Expenses

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 provides that an organization determination is subject to de novo review at an administrative hearing and provides for organizational payment of testifying expenses for the treating doctor at an administrative hearing.

FISCAL IMPACT: Because estimated costs associated with this bill rely on an estimate of the number of injured workers utilizing this provision, and the number will likely change should this bill become law; we believe the fiscal impact is not quantifiable. However, if utilized, potentially significant costs will be generated by the provision allowing the employee's treating doctor to testify at the administrative hearing at the expense of the organization.

DATE: January 24, 2013