

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**01/12/2017**

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2189

- 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.*

	2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium		2019-2021 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
<b>Revenues</b>				\$0		\$0
<b>Expenditures</b>				\$0		\$0
<b>Appropriations</b>				\$0		\$0

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

	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium	2019-2021 Biennium
<b>Counties</b>			
<b>Cities</b>			
<b>School Districts</b>			
<b>Townships</b>			

- 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).*

This bill provides that, beginning April 1st of the last year of the biennium, the Office of Attorney General shall, subject to legislative appropriations, reimburse each accredited children's advocacy center for unreimbursed forensic interviews.

- 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.*

There are three children's advocacy centers (CAC's) in North Dakota. Approximately 1,200 of the 2,000 forensic interviews the CAC's conduct in a biennium are not reimbursed. The cost of a forensic interview is \$360.

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 estimated cost of reimbursing all unreimbursed forensic interviews is \$432,000.

The Office of Attorney General receives a \$660,000 appropriation for reimbursing entities for forensic medical exams. In the previous three biennia the Office has reimbursed up to \$425,000 for a biennium. As a result approximately \$230,000 - \$235,000 of the \$432,000 forensic interview cost can be reimbursed in a biennium - \$200,000 of the cost of forensic interviews will not be reimbursed. This assumes the reimbursement costs for forensic medical exams and for forensic interviews do not change.

- 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 or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The Executive budget included \$660,000 from the Insurance Regulatory Trust Fund for forensic medical exams.

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