

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
02/07/2017

Amendment to: SB 2162

- 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
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$10,000		\$8,000	
Appropriations						

- 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
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).*

SB2162 as amended requires the State Board of Higher Education (SBHE) to enter into repayment agreements with students accepting awards under the professional student exchange program. Repayment would be required if the professional does not practice in ND within 36 months of graduation.

- 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.*

Section 1 of the bill requires the SBHE to enter into repayment agreements with students accepting awards after June 30, 2018 under the professional student exchange programs in dentistry, optometry or veterinary medicine. Individuals would be required to repay the awards in full if they are not practicing dentistry, optometry or veterinary medicine in ND within thirty-six months of graduation. Repayment amounts would be reduced by one-third for each full year the individual continues practicing in the state. If the individual withdraws from the program before graduation, repayment is required for the full award amount. Repayment can be deferred during graduate or postdoctoral studies and active duty in the armed forces. The Bank of North Dakota will allow participation in student loan programs to repay the award, if the student meets loan eligibility criteria.

Sections 2 and 3 of the bill require dentists receiving educational loan repayment assistance from the state health council to agree to accept Medicaid patients and assignments. Per the ND Department of Health, there is no fiscal impact to the agency for these sections.

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.*

Section 1: Cost estimates for 2017-19 include approximately \$10,000 of staff time to develop the agreements, establish a monitoring program, and development & implement SBHE policies and procedures. Costs for 2019-21 and each future biennium will be approximately \$8,000 for ongoing monitoring and program administration.

Sections 2 & 3: No fiscal impact

- 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 revised executive recommendation does not include an appropriation for the costs related to this bill.

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