

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
01/21/2019

Amendment to: HB 1395

- 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.*

	2017-2019 Biennium		2019-2021 Biennium		2021-2023 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$371,762		\$371,762	
Appropriations			\$371,762		\$371,762	

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

	2017-2019 Biennium	2019-2021 Biennium	2021-2023 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).*

HB1395 Amends section 14-09-22 of the NDCC and requires a person who pleads guilty or convicted of child abuse to undergo specific evaluations and assessments as well as to participate in treatment recommended as a result of the evaluations.

- 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 requires an individual who pleads guilty or is convicted of an offense covered under this section to complete a parental capacity evaluation, mental health evaluation and anger management assessment, and to participate in all treatment recommended as a result of those evaluations.

The last 4 calendar years have averaged 91 convictions of child abuse. The Department of Human Services, has completed all court ordered evaluations and is assuming to complete all evaluations added under this bill. It is estimated about 40% of all convictions may receive the recommended treatment from the evaluations at a Human Service Center. 20% is estimated based on the population of Medicaid, Medicaid Expansion and uninsured persons and 20% due to the higher risk of this population.

Total hours of evaluations are estimated to be 98/month and total hours of treatment/month is estimated at 108 hours.

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.*

The Department of Human Services would need 1.5 FTE to complete the evaluations and recommended treatment. The cost for salary and operating expenses for 1.5 Advanced Clinical Specialist is estimated to be \$371,762 per biennium.

- 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.*

For the 2019-2021 Biennium, the Department of Human Services would need a general fund appropriation of \$371,762.

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