

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
01/14/2019

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1479

- 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			\$140,000		\$30,000	
Appropriations			\$140,000		\$30,000	

- 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).*

HB1479 directs NDUS colleges and universities to produce student ID cards with electronic scanning capability that can be read at any of the State's polling locations to serve as one form of voter ID.

- 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 institutions to issue all students identification cards that can be used for voting purposes. The cards must contain electronic codes that can be scanned at polling locations. Students who are noncitizens or are under 18 years of age must be issued cards that are visibly different from those issued to citizens at least 18 years of age.

The cards currently used by institutions do not meet these qualifications and would need to be reissued for all current students. Specialized equipment is necessary at each institution to generate cards with the necessary QR code.

Student ID cards will need to be reissued to roughly 45,000 students currently in the North Dakota University System. An additional 8,000 new freshman, 5,000 new transfers, and 2,000 new post baccalaureate students are estimated on an annual basis.

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.*

Excluding the potential for changes in technology—specifically the QR readers at North Dakota polling locations, the estimated cost of a new campus ID card system totals \$140,000 and is comprised of:

\$65,000 ID System 13 @ \$5,000 each (2 each for UND and NDSU; 1 each at other institutions)

(Includes software, printer, camera, and barcode/magnetic strip)

\$45,000 Student ID cards 45,000 @ \$1.00 each for existing students

\$30,000 Student ID cards 30,000 @ \$1.00 each for 15,000 new students per year

- 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 NDUS appropriations bill, HB1003, does not contain funding for this \$140,000 project. One-time initial costs total \$110,000. Ongoing costs are \$30,000 per biennium for new cards.

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