FISCAL NOTE SENATE BILL NO. 2267 LC# 25.0988.03000 04/16/2025

1 - 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.

| | 2023-2025 Biennium | | 2025-2027 Biennium | | 2027-2029 Biennium | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds |
| Revenues | | | | \$100,000 | | \$100,000 |
| Expenditures | | | \$99,500 | \$100,000 | \$99,500 | \$100,000 |
| Appropriations | | | | | | |

2 - County, City, School District, and Township Fiscal Effect

Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

| | 2023-2025 Biennium | 2025-2027 Biennium | 2027-2029 Biennium |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| Counties | | | |
| Cities | | | |
| School Districts | | | |
| Townships | | | |

3 - Bill and Fiscal Impact Summary

Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).

Senate Bill 2267 as amended creates a new chapter in North Dakota Century Code that authorizes the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to adopt rules regarding the licensing, permitting and inspections of onsite wastewater treatment systems.

4 - Fiscal Impact Sections Detail

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.

Senate Bill 2267 Section 3 designates the DEQ to adopt rules regarding the licensing, permitting, and inspections of onsite wastewater treatment systems. This would be a new program in the DEQ which would require funding for temporary payroll and associated operating cost. The temporary payroll funding would assist with the implementation and administration of the program and the operating costs would support travel (board & employee), supplies, rent, IT data processing/telephone, legal, and operating fees.

5 - Revenues Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

Senate Bill 2267 Section 3 requires the DEQ to adopt rules regarding licensing. The DEQ would license the installers with an estimate of 200 installers in the state with annual licensing at \$250/license. The \$100,000 per biennium special fund revenue would be deposited into the DEQ's operating fund (fund 485).

6 - Expenditures Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

The DEQ is budgeting a total of \$199,500 of which \$171,050 would be for temporary salaries. The temporary salaries would be to hire temporary staff or to fund existing staff to implement and support the program. In the operating expenses line a total of \$28,450 is budgeted which includes travel budget for staff and advisory committee (\$9,605), professional supplies (\$500), rent (\$2,400), IT data processing/equipment (\$5,505), IT telephone (\$800), professional development (\$1,000), operating fees to publish rules in newspaper (\$5,500), and professional service for legal assistance (\$3,140).

7 - Appropriations Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please 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.

Senate Bill 2267 includes appropriation authority of \$99,500. However, the DEQ would require general fund appropriation authority of \$99,500 and special fund appropriation authority \$100,000 to implement the program, totaling \$199,500. This includes \$171,050 for temporary salaries/fringe and \$28,450 for operating expenses.

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