

FISCAL NOTE

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REVISED: 02/04/97

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2381 Amendment to:
Requested by Legislative Council Date of Request: January 29, 1997

1. Please estimate the fiscal impact (in dollar amounts) of the above measure for state general or special funds, counties, cities and school districts.

Narrative:

(see attached)

2. State fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

Table with 6 columns: 1995-97 Biennium (General Fund, Special Funds), 1997-99 Biennium (General Fund, Special Funds), 1999-2001 Biennium (General Fund, Special Funds)

Revenues:

Expenditures:

3. What, if any, is the effect of this measure on the appropriation for your agency or department:

a. For rest of 1995-97 biennium:

b. For the 1997-99 biennium:

c. For the 1999-2001 biennium:

4. County, City and School District fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

Table with 9 columns: 1995-97 Biennium (Counties, Cities, School Districts), 1997-99 Biennium (Counties, Cities, School Districts), 1999-2001 Biennium (Counties, Cities, School Districts)

If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

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NORTH DAKOTA WORKERS COMPENSATION BUREAU
1997 LEGISLATION
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL INFORMATION

Revised: 02/04/97

BILL DESCRIPTION: Employees opting out of Workers Compensation Coverage.

BILL NO: SB 2381

SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL INFORMATION: The Workers Compensation Bureau, together with its Actuary, Glenn Evans of Pacific Actuarial Consultants, have reviewed the legislation proposed in this bill in conformance with Section 54-03-25 of the North Dakota Century Code.

Proposed bill provides for employees to opt out of workers compensation coverage, if they submit a written request prior to any injury or occurrence of any occupational disease to their employer, who in turn submits a notice to the Bureau.

FISCAL IMPACT: Not quantifiable. The extent of the impact of the legislation depends on how many workers choose to opt out. Will serve to increase administrative and legal costs. Will decrease premiums received and benefits paid. Due to cases in which waivers are held to be ineffective because they are not voluntary, the lost income from the decrease in premiums may be greater than the decrease in actual benefits paid.

Will create a burden for employers requiring them to carry additional liability policies.