FISCAL NOTE

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Bill/Resolution No.: _____ HB 1244 _____ Amendment to: _____

Requested by Legislative Council   Date of Request: _1-13-99_____

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:

   House Bill 1244 takes $100,000 biennially from the game and fish fund and places it in a special fund to pay for hunter caused damages to private roads. Taking these funds away from the control of the game and fish director and game and fish programs will result in the loss of $2,500,000 per year of Federal Aid in Wildlife Restoration funds. These funds come from an excise tax on hunting equipment such as firearms and archery equipment. The funding would be lost because of a federal requirement that hunting license fees not be used for anything other than the administration of the state's fish and game department. The funds that would be lost pay for management of the Department's wildlife management areas, small game and big game management, and the hunter education program. North Dakota would remain ineligible for this funding until the transferred dollars were returned to the Game and Fish Department.

2. **State** fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

	1997-99 Biennium		1999-2001 Biennium		2001-03 Biennium	
	General Fund	Special Funds	General Fund	Special Funds	General Fund	Special Funds
Revenues:	0	0	0	($5,000,000)	0	($5,000,000)
Expenditures:	0	0	0	$100,000	0	$100,000

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

   a. For rest of 1997-99 biennium: _____None_____

   b. For the 1999-2001 biennium: _____+$100,000_____

   c. For the 2001-03 biennium: _____+$100,000_____

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

1997-99 Biennium			1999-2001 Biennium			2001-03 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

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