

FISCAL NOTE

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Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1264 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:

See attached.

- 2. State fiscal effect in dollar amounts:

Table with 6 columns: 1997-99 Biennium (General Fund, Special Funds), 1999-2001 Biennium (General Fund, Special Funds), 2001-03 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 1997-99 biennium: _____
b. For the 1999-2001 biennium: _____
c. For the 2001-03 biennium: _____

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

Table with 9 columns: 1997-99 Biennium (Counties, Cities, School Districts), 1999-2001 Biennium (Counties, Cities, School Districts), 2001-03 Biennium (Counties, Cities, School Districts)

If additional space is needed, attach a supplemental sheet.

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***NORTH DAKOTA WORKERS COMPENSATION BUREAU
1999 LEGISLATION
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL INFORMATION***

BILL DESCRIPTION: **Independent Medical Examination**

BILL NO: HB 1264

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

The proposed legislation requires the Bureau to notify an injured worker that the injured worker may have a doctor designated by the injured worker present at an independent medical examination. The proposed bill would also require the Bureau to notify an injured worker that the injured worker may also have a companion present at the independent medical examination and be allowed to make an audiotape and a videotape of the examination.

FISCAL IMPACT: Not quantifiable. It is anticipated the proposed legislation would result in claims adjudication delays ultimately increasing the costs associated with delays in return to work.

DATE: 1-17-99