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FISCAL NOTE

Prepared in regard to: HOUSE BILL NO. 1362  
(List bill or resolution and number, if available,  
or subject)

Amendment to: \_\_\_\_\_  
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In the following space note the fiscal effect in dollars of the legislative proposal:

Narrative:

The exploration and development of geothermal energy resources is increasing nationwide. Low temperature geothermal energy resources have been identified in North Dakota. The development of these resources is in its infancy. The regulation of exploration and development is necessary in order to prevent waste, prevent contamination and pollution of surface and groundwater sources, and to avoid creation of secondary hazards of a geologic nature. It is anticipated that current efforts to identify the resource and to develop utilization technology will continue during the 1981-1983 biennium and that the utilization of the resource will be limited.

If the proposed budget presented by the Geological Survey, including the contingency fund provision, is approved by the legislative and executive branches, no additional funding will be required. It is not possible to provide specific factual information on the fiscal impact of the bill nor is it possible to make an estimate.

Fiscal Effect:

<u>1981-82</u>		<u>1982-83</u>		<u>Total Biennium</u>	
<u>Special</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>General</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>Special</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>General</u> <u>Fund</u>	<u>Special</u> <u>Funds</u>	<u>General</u> <u>Fund</u>

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