

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council
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Amendment to: HB 1247

1A. **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.*

	2001-2003 Biennium		2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures			\$364,000	\$810,500	\$364,000	\$810,000
Appropriations			\$364,000	\$337,000	\$364,000	\$337,500

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2001-2003 Biennium			2003-2005 Biennium			2005-2007 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
			\$149,000	\$74,000	\$93,000	\$149,000	\$74,000	\$93,000

2. **Narrative:** *Identify the aspects of the measure which cause fiscal impact and include any comments relevant to your analysis.*

The outpatient prescription drugs for hormone replacement therapy and for osteoporosis treatment and management are already covered by the NDPERS benefit, so would not have an added cost to NDPERS. The additional cost to NDPERS to cover outpatient prescription drugs for contraceptives and for infertility therapy through their regular drug benefit is estimated at \$3.60 per contract per month (spread over all contracts) for the 7-03/6-05 biennium. The infertility drugs are covered under the current benefit, but this assumes that the infertility drugs would be processed under the drug benefit rather than the infertility benefit and they would no longer accumulate toward the \$20,000 lifetime infertility maximum.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. **Revenues:** *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

B. **Expenditures:** *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

Expenditures reflect the additional premium of \$3.60 that would be necessary for the 13,584 state contracts to pay the cost of this additional benefit.

The cost for political subdivisions is for those entities that participate in the PERS health plan. Shown above is the cost for counties, school districts and cities. Also there are 385 additional governmental units in PERS and the additional cost to them for the upcoming biennium is \$33,264. The above estimates are based upon 24 months of coverage.

C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, of the effect on the biennial appropriation for each agency and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget. Indicate the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations.*

The appropriated amount reflects the actual additional appropriation that will be necessary for state contracts (8,107). The 5,477 higher education contracts are covered as part of their continuing appropriation.

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