

2005 SENATE APPROPRIATIONS

SB 2350

2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2350

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□ Conference Committee

Hearing Date February 1, 2005

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Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg opened the hearing on SB 2350.

Senator Nething introduced SB 2350. He testified as to his reasons for introducing SB 2350, discussing the location off a new or remodeled facility at the State Hospital in Jamestown and the one time auditing option of a funding process.

Chairman Holmberg asked if there are other states doing this type of roll up of money.

Senator Nething indicated that there are other states doing this.

Pam Sharp, Office of Management and Budget testified to explain the fiscal note attached to SB 2350. She indicated that if the bill passes that something else needs to be added to operate the program. She also discussed the consequences of changing accounting practices.

Questions were raised to clarify the accounting process, accounting requirements, the consequences of going against the procedures, and the effect on the bond ratings.

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Carlotta McCleary, concerned citizen, Member Mental Health Planning Council, provided written testimony and testified in opposition to SB 2350. She indicated the planning council has concerns with SB 2350 as the bill targets the shifting of the Jamestown State Hospital from a facility to house those with mental illness to one that will be used by prison inmates. The issues are that the bill is vague, nonspecific, and has unusual funding mechanisms.

Chairman Holmberg indicated the subcommittee would consist of Senators Kringstad, Grindberg, and Krauter. He then closed the hearing on SB 2350.

2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE MINUTES

BILL/RESOLUTION NO. 2350

Senate Appropriations Committee

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Hearing Date February 14, 2005

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Minutes:

Chairman Holmberg opened the day with roll call and announcements. He then opened the hearing on SB 2350.

Senator Fischer moved for a Do Not Pass on SB 2350, Senator Bowman seconded. There was no discussion. A roll call vote was taken the results were 14 yes and 1 absent. SB 2350 resulted in a do not pass. Senator Schobinger will carry the bill.

Chairman Holmberg closed the hearing on SB 2350.

FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 01/24/2005

Bill/Resolution No.:

SB 2350

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.

	2003-2005	Biennium	2005-2007	Biennium	2007-2009 Biennium		
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	
Revenues							
Expenditures	(\$17,542,000)		\$17,542,000				
Appropriations	(\$17,542,000)						

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

2003-2005 Biennium		2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium			
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

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

This bill decreases general fund expenditures and appropriations in the 03-05 biennium by \$17.5 million, and increases expenditures by \$17.5 in the 05-07 biennium. Although the bill moves \$17.5 of expenditures from the 03-05 biennium to 05-07, it does not provide increased appropriation authority for those expendutures in the 05-07 biennium.

- 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.
 - 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.

Name:	Pam Sharp	Agency:	OMB
Phone Number:	328-4606	Date Prepared:	01/25/2005

Date 2/14/05 Roll Call Vote #:

2005 SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE ROLL CALL VOTES BILL/RESOLUTION NO. SB

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VICE CHAIRMAN GRINDBERG			SENATOR MATHERN		
SENATOR ANDRIST	V		SENATOR ROBINSON		
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REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE (410) February 14, 2005 12:19 p.m.

Module No: SR-29-2759 Carrier: Schobinger Insert LC: Title:

REPORT OF STANDING COMMITTEE

SB 2350: Appropriations Committee (Sen. Holmberg, Chairman) recommends DO NOT PASS (14 YEAS, 0 NAYS, 1 ABSENT AND NOT VOTING). SB 2350 was placed on the Eleventh order on the calendar.

2005 TESTIMONY

SB 2350

EdK.

All legislators

The information in this letter is regarding SB 2350. This bill targets the shifting of Jamestown State Hospital from a facility that houses people with mental illness to one that primarily will be used by prison inmates.

We, the Mental Health Planning Council, which consists of governor appointed members from different agencies and consumers and family members, are opposed to this bill. Our issues of concern are that it is vague, nonspecific, and has unusual funding mechanisms.

A similar bill was presented in the last legislative session, and we opposed it too. That bill was more specific as to which buildings would be used to house the prisoners. The ones named were the La Haug building and the adolescent center. Those are the best buildings on campus, and they should not be taken away from people with mental illness.

The conversion from a mental health facility to a facility for prisoners leads to the criminalisation of people with mental illness. We are fighting against the stigma that surrounds mental illness, and this bill would take us back to the times when people mental illness were seen as offenders. We thought that we have left that era behind us, but this bill does just the opposite.

We strongly encourage you to vote no on this bill.

Thank you very much for your time, and appreciate your work for the people of North Dakota.

Sincerely,

The North Dakota Mental Health Planning Council