

FISCAL NOTE
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REVISION

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1047

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.*

	2005-2007 Biennium		2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$7,806,035	\$0	\$14,164,875	\$0
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$7,806,035	\$0	\$14,164,875	\$0

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

2005-2007 Biennium			2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$198,442	\$0	\$0	\$193,059	\$0	\$0

2A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

The bill increases the income eligibility limit for the children's health insurance program from 140% to 200% of poverty.

B. Fiscal impact sections: *Identify and provide a brief description of the sections of the measure which have fiscal impact. Include any assumptions and comments relevant to the analysis.*

The fiscal note is prepared based on the number of children who were denied Healthy Steps coverage for the period August 2005 - July 2006 whose family income was between 140% and 200% of poverty, which is 2,480 children. The number of children that would actually be eligible could be much greater. However, the Department is unable to determine the exact number of children that would apply and be eligible. Based on information from the 2000 Census, it is estimated there are 24,505 children in ND between 140-200% of poverty. The Department is unable to determine the number that currently have health care coverage and/or the number that would actually apply.

Based on current projections the federal SCHIP allotment funds will not be available to fund any of the fiscal impact of this bill because the Department is already projecting to use its entire allotment of federal funds.

The Department is unable to estimate what the projected increase in caseload may be at the county level and which counties would be impacted. So without knowing the staffing levels and caseload capacities at the counties the Department is estimating that an additional 2 FTEs would be needed at the county level.

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.*

For the 2007-09 biennium a total of \$7,806,035 would be expended, \$102,395 for salary and related costs of an additional FTE and \$7,703,640 in medical assistance grants. These costs would be 100% general funds.

For the 2009-11 biennium a total of \$14,164,875 would be expended, \$99,704 for salary and related costs and \$14,065,171 in medical assistance grants. These costs would be 100% general funds.

C. **Appropriations:** *Explain the appropriation amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency and fund affected. Explain the relationship between the amounts shown for expenditures and appropriations. Indicate whether the appropriation is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The Department would need a general fund appropriation of \$7,806,035 for the 2007-09 biennium.

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