

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
04/01/2013

Amendment to: HB 1080

- 1 A. **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.*

	2011-2013 Biennium		2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures						
Appropriations						

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

	2011-2013 Biennium	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

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

see attached

- 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.*

see attached

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, 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.*

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WORKFORCE SAFETY & INSURANCE
2013 LEGISLATION
SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL INFORMATION

BILL NO: HB 1080 w/ Senate Amendments

BILL DESCRIPTION: WSI Injury Services Bill

SUMMARY OF ACTUARIAL INFORMATION: Workforce Safety & Insurance, together with its actuarial firm, Bickerstaff, Whatley, Ryan & Burkhalter Consulting Actuaries, has reviewed the legislation proposed in this bill in conformance with Section 54-03-25 of the North Dakota Century Code.

The amended legislation allows WSI to consider federal wages when determining the average weekly wage of a National Guard member injured while serving on state active duty; enables WSI to consider non-covered wages received post-injury by an injured worker when WSI is determining vocational rehabilitation options or entitlement to disability benefits; combines biennial report reporting requirements into one section of law rather than two; allows WSI to recoup any benefits paid should a person seeking benefits because of the death of an employee receive benefits from another state for the same injury; provides for a discontinuation of benefits for those incarcerated in excess of 180 consecutive days and a suspension of benefits for those incarcerated between 3 and 180 days; corrects an oversight from prior legislation within the permanent partial impairment (PPI) statute; updates terms used in the Rehabilitation Chapter, 65-05.1, to reflect the vocational rehabilitation program is now in-house and is no longer a contracted service; eliminates the provision in the Rehabilitation Chapter that allows for suspension of benefits for certain types of vocational rehabilitation noncompliance; and provides that a work search is required for those injured workers who do not meet the criteria of the vocational rehabilitation options, but are capable of performing some type of work.

FISCAL IMPACT: We don't anticipate the various provisions of this legislative proposal to have a significant impact to statewide premium or reserve levels.

DATE: April 1, 2013