FISCAL NOTE

Requested by Legislative Council 12/20/2014

Bill/Resolution No.: SB 2026

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.

	2013-2015 Biennium		2015-2017 Biennium		2017-2019 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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

	2013-2015 Biennium	2015-2017 Biennium	2017-2019 Biennium
Counties	\$0	\$0	\$0
Cities	\$0	\$0	\$0
School Districts	\$0	\$0	\$0
Townships	\$0	\$0	\$0

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).

SB 2026 was written to modernize and clarify the language of North Dakota Professional Soil Classifier law as written in North Dakota Century Code 43-36. No fiscal impact in SB 2026 provisions are projected.

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.

Board of Registration activities are funded solely by exam and registration fees. There are no provisions in SB 2026 that request funding. There are no provisions in SB 2026 that will result in any negative or positive fiscal impacts on any state agency compared to current law other than the Board itself.

Provision 43-36.1-23 (2) exemption for hydric soil identification will result in additional administrative activities for the Board. Additional expenses incurred by the Board are estimated at \$2,000 annually to administer the exemption. Unfortunately, since this is an exemption it will be an expense for the Board with no additional revenue since this does not involve examination or registration. If expenses exceed revenues from examination and registration and deplete Board of Soil Classifiers reserves then potentially revenues will need to be replenished either by future appropriation request or provisions for fees to administer the exemption. At this time no appropriation request can be anticipated.

The Board is not aware of any fiscal impacts to the state or political subdivisions by the provisions of SB 2026.

- 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 or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.

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