

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**Requested by Legislative Council**  
**02/06/2015**

Amendment to: SB 2046

- 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
<b>Revenues</b>				\$124,886		\$178,933
<b>Expenditures</b>			\$3,315,979	\$124,886	\$3,370,026	\$178,933
<b>Appropriations</b>			\$166,092		\$3,370,026	\$178,933

- 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
<b>Counties</b>			
<b>Cities</b>			
<b>School Districts</b>			
<b>Townships</b>			

- 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).*

Engrossed SB2046 expands medicaid services for certain behavioral health services, provides for reports to legislative management and provides appropriations.

- 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.*

Section 1 requires the ND Medicaid to amend the state plan to allow for medical assistance coverage to eligible recipients for services provided by marriage and family therapists. Section 3 provides an appropriation of \$249,773, with \$124,887 being general fund and \$124,886 being federal funds, to provide payment to licensed marriage and family therapists who provide behavioral health services.

The fiscal impact for Section 2 of this bill provides an appropriation of \$3,000,000 from the general fund for the Department of Human Services to address gaps in the state's substance abuse treatment system.

The bill also provides for an appropriation of \$25,000, all of which is general fund, to the Highway Patrol for mental health first aid training for state and local law enforcement personnel.

Not appropriated in the bill, but necessary would be an additional FTE at the cost of \$166,092, all of which is general fund, in order to address the gaps in the state's substance abuse treatment system, as well as administer the objectives of SB2045 and SB2048. Additional resources for research and evaluation services may be necessary, but at this time cannot be determined.

The Department of Human Services would need at least \$3,000,000, all of which is general fund, to continue to address the gaps in the substance abuse treatment system in the 2017-2019 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.*

Federal Medicaid revenues of \$124,886 would be received for medical assistance coverage to eligible recipients for services provided by marriage and family therapists.

- 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.*

Engrossed SB2046 provides \$3,000,000 from the general fund for the Department of Human Services to address gaps in the state's substance abuse treatment system; It also provides an appropriation of \$249,773, of which \$124,887 is general fund and \$124,886 is federal funds, to provide payment for licensed marriage and family therapists who provide behavioral health services. Engrossed SB2046 also provides for \$25,000 from the general fund for the Highway Patrol for mental health first aid training. In addition, there would be costs for an FTE of \$166,092, all of which is general fund, to address the gaps in the state's substance abuse treatment system, as well as the objectives of SB2045 and SB2048.

The 2017-2019 estimated expenditures for marriage and family therapists is \$357,867, with \$178,934 being general fund and 178,933 being federal funds. The Department would need at least \$3,000,000, all of which is general fund, to continue to address the gaps in the substance abuse treatment system. The cost to continue the FTE and the training would be \$166,092 and \$25,000 respectively.

- 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.*

An appropriation of \$3,274,773, of which \$3,149,887 is general fund and \$124,886 is federal funds, is included in this bill. The Highway Patrol would need an appropriation increase of \$25,000, all of which is general fund, to continue training in the 2017-2019 biennium. The Department would need an increase in appropriation of \$3,523,959, of which \$3,345,026 is general fund and \$178,933 is federal funds, for the Medicaid grant expenditures, to address the gaps in the substance abuse treatment system, and the continuation of the FTE for the 2017-2019 biennium.

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