ND State Scholarship Program

- The state scholarship is currently issued to the 11 public institutions, 3 private institutions, 5 tribal colleges and 1 **proprietary institution** in the state.
- 24% of high school seniors, on average, qualify for the scholarship each year.
 - These students are awarded up to \$6,000 and have up to 6 years to utilize the award.
 - Statute limits amount to \$750 per semester or \$500 per quarter at all institutions.
 - Students must be resident of ND to qualify.
- Approximately 384 new students per year elect to attend public 2-year or tribal colleges immediately out of high school. 84% of these are retained in year 2.
- In the past 4 years 699 disbursements were not issued due to enrollment between 6-11 credits (less than full time), or due to not meeting the cumulative credit requirements.
- Program Statistics:
 - 17,968 have qualified since inception in 2010
 - o Total disbursements since inception \$62.1 million
- Amendments to HB1430 to begin with the 2022 cohort forward. Current rules in play through 2026-27 academic year for current cohorts.
- Increasing award to \$1500 per payment for 2yr public and tribal students, cost of \$770,000 for 2021-23 biennium (1 year); \$2.9 million for 2023-25; \$4.2 million beyond.
- Providing eligibility for half-time enrollment and eliminating degree progress requirements, cost of \$163,125 for 2021-23 biennium (1 year); \$326,250 for 2023-25 and beyond.
- \$30,000 required to make changes to the Scholarship Management System used by the NDUS Financial Aid Office to administer the program.

SUMMARY FISCAL IMPACT - start 2022				
Biennium	2021-23 (1yr)	2023-25	2025-27	2027-29
Change to \$1500 per disbursement @ 2Yr&Tribal (ONLY for 2022 cohort forward; Current statute for all cohorts up to 2021 grads)	\$576,000	\$2,574,720	\$3,841,920	\$3,928,320
Eliminate FT and CumCr for ALL beginning fall '22	\$163,125	\$326,250	\$326,250	\$326,250
Technology Upgrades	\$30,000			
TOTAL INCREASE PER BIENNIUM	\$769,125	\$2,900,970	\$4,168,170	\$4,254,570

Assumptions

\$1500 per disbursement at 2Yr public and tribal for 2022 cohort forward

Estimated up to 384 enrollees at 2Yr public and tribal per year

Historical attrition rates applied (84% to yr 2)

Increase amt to \$1500 effective 2022 cohort forward; FT and Cum CR changes effective for all cohort 2022 forward

Summer part time enrollment will result in greater payments in summer.

Assumes no growth or increases

Need to keep current statute through 2026-27.

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