

FISCAL NOTE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1478
LC# 23.0714.04000
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1 - 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.

| | 2021-2023 Biennium | | 2023-2025 Biennium | | 2025-2027 Biennium | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds |
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| Expenditures | | \$12,000 | | | | |
| Appropriations | | | | | | |

2 - County, City, School District, and Township Fiscal Effect

Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

| | 2021-2023 Biennium | 2023-2025 Biennium | 2025-2027 Biennium |
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| Counties | | | |
| Cities | | | |
| School Districts | | | |
| Townships | | | |

3 - Bill and Fiscal Impact Summary

Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).

Individuals 65 and older would be allowed to self-certify their qualifying debilitating medical condition to register as a qualifying patient in the Medical Marijuana Program. The application is online only. Programming costs would be incurred to implement changes.

4 - Fiscal Impact Sections Detail

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 Department of Health and Human Services (Department) is required to develop a form to use in place of a written certification. As legislative intent appears to be a self-certification program for those 65 and older, the Department will not be using resources to verify information upon receipt of the electronic application.

5 - Revenues Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.

While the Department anticipates an increase in the qualifying patient population, it is unknown what the impact may be. Thus, an impact on revenues is undetermined.

6 - Expenditures Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.

Since the Department will not be verifying self-certifications when those 65 and older use this method to apply, the Department is not identifying an expenditure amount. However, if the Department were to receive information on a number of potential false self-certifications, additional expenditures may be incurred as additional personnel would be needed for this additional workload. Also, if there were to be a significant increase to the qualifying patient population due to the self-certification, the Department may require additional personnel. The expenditure amount for the 21-23 Biennium of \$12,000 is for programming changes.

7 - Appropriations Detail

For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1 or 2, please 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.

The program operates under a continuing appropriation as established in NDCC. There is no impact to Appropriations.

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