

FISCAL NOTE
HOUSE BILL NO. 1071
LC# 23.8106.01000
12/30/2022

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			\$193,176		\$193,176	\$193,176
Expenditures						
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
Counties		\$193,176	\$386,352
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).

A bill to provide counties the option to hire a state emergency management coordinator in lieu of a local employee. This would come at a cost not to exceed 50% of the regional coordinator's salary and benefits.

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 addition of paragraph 7 within Section 1 of HB 1071 would allow counties unable to hire a local county emergency manager the ability to work with the agency to provide those services through the department's regional management program. The cost to the locals is not to exceed fifty percent of the regional coordinator's salary and benefits.

This is a new program with limited applicability. We have estimated the fiscal note based on four counties being assessed 25% of a regional coordinator's salary and benefits for the 2023-25 biennium. For the 2025-27 biennium, we estimated eight counties at 25% each, however the additional funds received would reimburse the portion of salaries paid by a federal grant program. The salary used was an average of the four regional coordinators employed with the Department of Emergency Services, with no built in pay increases for future years.

Currently all counties have emergency managers. However, in the past there have been vacancies lasting several months putting the citizens at risk. We believe the assumptions to be on the higher end of realistic scenarios.

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.

The amount of revenue is based on four counties being assessed 25% of a regional coordinator's salary and benefits for the 2023-25 biennium. For the 2025-27 biennium, we estimated eight counties at 25% each, however the additional funds received would reimburse the portion of salaries paid by a federal grant program.

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.

There would be no additional expenditures to the state, and for the locals this program is optional. If the locals would choose to utilize the services the expenditures shown are based on four counties being assessed 25% of a regional coordinator's salary and benefits for the 2023-25 biennium. For the 2025-27 biennium, we estimated eight counties at 25% each.

Most counties in the state receive federal grant funds for this program, however some counties struggle to hire team members to fulfill NDCC 37-17.1-07.

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.

No request for additional appropriations are necessary.

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