

FISCAL NOTE
SENATE BILL NO. 2031
LC# 25.0241.02000
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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.

| | 2023-2025 Biennium | | 2025-2027 Biennium | | 2027-2029 Biennium | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|--------------------|-------------|
| | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds | General Fund | Other Funds |
| Revenues | | | | | | |
| Expenditures | | | \$240,737 | | \$292,371 | |
| Appropriations | | | \$240,737 | | \$292,371 | |

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

Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.

| | 2023-2025 Biennium | 2025-2027 Biennium | 2027-2029 Biennium |
|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|--------------------|
| 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).

Section 1 of SB 2031 requires a nursing services agency to obtain a license to operate issued by the Department.

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 would need one new FTE to administer the nursing services program. The fiscal impact related to this FTE would be \$177,515 for the 2025-2027 biennium and \$236,686 for the 2027-2029 biennium.

The Department would need an additional \$20,000 to upgrade existing software to accommodate a new license type. Monitoring the nursing services agencies will require \$4,738 in travel costs for 1 year of the biennium and \$9,475 for year 2. Other operating costs for legal expenses for year 1 are \$6,368 and \$12,736 for year 2.

Administrative Hearings costs would be \$1,325 for the biennium.

Section 2 creates an effective date of January 1, 2026.

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 Department cannot accurately determine the amount of revenue to be collected. The number of NSAs that may seek licensure in North Dakota is unknown. Research did not yield reliable information on how many other states require NSA licensure or the prevalence of NSAs nationwide.

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.

Section 1 of SB 2031 requires a nursing services agency to obtain a license to operate issued by the Department.

Year 1: The Department would need to hire 1 FTE to administer the nursing services program. The fiscal impact related to this FTE would be \$59,172 for the 2025-2027 biennium and \$236,686 for the 2027-2029 biennium. There would be \$2,361 in operating costs associated with the FTE for technology fees billed from NDIT. The Department would need an additional \$20,000 to upgrade existing software to accommodate a new license type. Monitoring the nursing services agencies will require \$4,738 in travel costs, other operating costs for legal expense are \$6,368 and \$1,325 for Administrative Hearings costs.

Year 2: Estimated costs of the FTE in year 2 is \$118,343. There would be \$3,719 in operating costs associated with the FTE for technology fees billed from NDIT. Monitoring the nursing services agencies will require \$9,475 in travel costs and other operating costs for legal expense are \$12,736.

The total projected costs related to SB 2031 for the 2025-27 biennium are as follows;
Salaries and wages is \$177,515 of which, all is General;
Operating Expenses is \$60,722 of which, all is General

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.

For the 2025-2027 biennium, the Department of Health and Human Services would need appropriation increases to the base budget for SB 2031 in the following line items;
Salaries and wages is \$177,515 all of which is General;
Operating Expenses is \$60,722 all of which is General.

For the 2027-2029 biennium, the Department of Health and Human Services would need appropriation increases to the base budget for SB 2031 in the following line items;
Salaries and wages is \$236,686 all of which is General;
Operating Expenses is \$54,510 all of which is General.

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