FISCAL NOTE SENATE BILL NO. 2034

LC# 25.0334.02000 01/03/2025 Revised - 01/03/2025

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			\$1,864,757			
Appropriations						

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).

Senate Bill 2034 makes several changes to the higher education funding formula components as recommended by the interim legislative Higher Education Funding Formula and Higher Education committees.

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.

Section 1 removes reference to the "was entitled to receive during the 2017-19 biennium" and replaces it with "received during the prior biennium". This change in the credit completion factor determination eliminates an institution from receiving a lower credit completion factor, and thus reduced funding, due to increased student credit hour production.

Section 2 moves wind energy technology and law enforcement courses to the career and technical education instructional program classification from the engineering and core disciplines, respectively, within the higher education funding formula. This results in higher weighted student credit hours for these courses and additional funding within the higher education funding formula.

The 2027-29 biennial fiscal impact is unknown at this time due unknown student credit hour production at the institutions.

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.

N/A

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.

Overall State funding for ND public institutions of higher education would increase by \$1,864,757 for the 2025-27 biennium. Dickinson State University's funding would increase by \$1,575,575 and Lake Region State College's funding would increase by \$289,182 due to these changes. Funds will be utilized for operational expenses at each institution.

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.

A \$1,864,757 general fund appropriation increase is required for the 2025-27 biennium. Amounts would be distributed as indicated to Dickinson State University and Lake Region State College. Funds will be utilized for operational expenses at each institution.

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