

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
01/15/2009

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1368

1A. **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.*

	2007-2009 Biennium		2009-2011 Biennium		2011-2013 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$200,000	\$0	

1B. **County, city, and school district fiscal effect:** *Identify the fiscal effect on the appropriate political subdivision.*

2007-2009 Biennium			2009-2011 Biennium			2011-2013 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts

2A. **Bill and fiscal impact summary:** *Provide a brief summary of the measure, including description of the provisions having fiscal impact (limited to 300 characters).*

This bill relates to the sale of reduced ignition propensity standards for cigarettes in North Dakota. It requires the Fire Marshal in the Office of Attorney General to assure testing is performed on each cigarette brand to determine the cigarettes comply with the specified performance standards.

B. Fiscal impact sections: *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.*

This bill creates two funds:

The Reduced Cigarette Ignition Propensity and Firefighter Protection Act Enforcement fund, into which the certification fees are deposited and spent pursuant to legislative appropriation to complete the processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight activities required by the bill, and

The Fire Prevention and Public Safety fund, into which all assessed penalties collected under NDCC Section 18-13-05 are deposited, and spent pursuant to legislative appropriation to support fire safety and prevention programs.

3. **State fiscal effect detail:** *For information shown under state fiscal effect in 1A, please:*

A. Revenues: *Explain the revenue amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each revenue type and fund affected and any amounts included in the executive budget.*

For each brand to be certified the manufacturer must pay at least \$250 every three years to the Fire Marshal. The Fire Marshal may adjust the fee annually to cover the costs of processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight for this purpose. Estimated revenues for the 2011 -13 biennium are unknown at this time since the bill provides for a three year recertification and is effective August 1, 2010.

B. Expenditures: *Explain the expenditure amounts. Provide detail, when appropriate, for each agency, line item, and fund affected and the number of FTE positions affected.*

The Fire Marshal is responsible for processing, testing, enforcement, and oversight of the reduced ignition propensity standards for cigarettes program. Expenditures include inspection travel, IT contractual costs and professional services costs to carry out these responsibilities. The expenditures are funded by the manufacturer when submitting testing certifications meeting the established standards.

C. **Appropriations:** *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 is also included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

The Executive Recommendation did not include an appropriation for this program. These monies need to be appropriated to the Office of Attorney General for the Fire Marshal to complete its duties as provided for in this bill.

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