

**Children's Services Coordinating Committee
Senate Bill No. 2014**

	FTE Positions	General Fund	Other Funds	Total
2001-03 executive budget (Governor Schafer) (bill as introduced)	1.00		\$7,821,811	\$7,821,811
2001-03 legislative appropriations	1.00		7,821,811	7,821,811
Legislative increase (decrease) to executive budget	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0
Legislative increase (decrease) to 1999-2001 appropriations			\$1,071,811	\$1,071,811
2001-03 Governor Hoeven's recommendation	1.00		\$7,821,811	\$7,821,811
Legislative increase (decrease) to Governor Hoeven's recommendation	0.00	\$0	\$0	\$0

GOVERNOR HOEVEN'S RECOMMENDATIONS

The Hoeven recommendation did not change the Schafer recommendation.

SUMMARY OF LEGISLATIVE CHANGES TO THE EXECUTIVE BUDGET (SCHAFER) AND MAJOR FUNDING ITEMS

Salaries and Wages

The legislative action affecting the recommended appropriation for the Children's Services Coordinating Committee is in accordance with legislative salary and fringe benefits guidelines as contained in House Bill No. 1015. In addition to the above appropriations, agencies may receive additional funding from the \$5 million appropriated in Section 1 of House Bill No. 1015 for special market equity adjustments for classified state employees whose salaries are the furthest from their respective salary range midpoints.

Major Items

The Legislative Assembly did not change the executive recommendation for funding for the Children's Services Coordinating Committee.

Refinancing - Funding Allocations

"Refinancing" is a system administered through the Department of Human Services which claims federal reimbursement of eligible administrative costs of local schools, juvenile courts, and public health organizations under the federal IV-E foster care and federal Medicaid programs. The local organizations participating in the system complete time studies each quarter. These time studies are submitted to the regional or tribal children's services coordinating committee, reviewed by the state Children's Services Coordinating Committee, and submitted for federal administrative cost reimbursement by the Department of Human Services. The federal reimbursements are received by the Department of Human Services. It retains its percentage allocation and transfers the remaining funds to the state Children's Services Coordinating Committee which retains its percentage and distributes the remaining funds to the children's services coordinating committee of the region or tribe that generated the funds through the time study reports. Each regional or tribal committee distributes the percentage allocation of funds to each of the organizations that generated the federal reimbursements and uses remaining funds for grants to children's services providers. Funding for administration and collaboration costs of each regional and tribal committee is distributed from a separate allocation made by the state Children's Services Coordinating Committee from the funds identified by the Legislative Assembly for administrative and collaboration costs of the regional and tribal committees.

North Dakota consists of 12 regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees, one in each of the eight human service regions in the state and one on each of the four Indian reservations in the state.

The schedule below presents the allocation of the \$8,333,333 of federal funds estimated to be generated for the 2001-03 biennium as a result of participating entities claiming federal administrative cost reimbursements, with comparisons to the 1999-2001 allocation:

	Allocation 1999-2001 Biennium	Estimated Amount	Allocation 2001-03 Biennium	Estimated Amount
Department of Human Services	10% up to a maximum of \$750,000	\$750,000	10% up to a maximum of \$833,333	\$833,333
Children's Services Coordinating Committee - Administration	\$127,500 (estimated at 1.7%)	127,500	1.7% up to a maximum of \$141,667	141,667
Children's Services Coordinating Committee grants				
Participating entities generating federal funds	20%	1,500,000	20%	1,666,667
Statewide grants	6%	450,000	10.2% up to a maximum of \$850,000	850,000
Grants to regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for administrative costs	\$1,350,000 (estimated at 18%)	1,350,000	16.2% up to a maximum of 1,350,000	1,350,000
Grants to regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees for collaboration efforts	\$150,000 (estimated at 2%)	150,000	1.8% up to a maximum of \$150,000	150,000
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees - Grants to providers	42.3%	3,172,500	40.1%	3,341,666
Total	100%	\$7,500,000	100%	\$8,333,333

If less than \$8,333,333 is generated from "refinancing" activities during the 2001-03 biennium, the Children's Services Coordinating Committee will proportionately reduce the percentage allocations and the resulting funding to be provided for regional and tribal children's services coordinating committee grants to generate the funds necessary to provide a total of \$141,450 for administrative costs of the state committee, \$1,350,000 for grants for administrative costs of the regional and tribal committees, \$150,000 for grants for collaboration efforts of the regional and tribal committees, and \$850,000 for statewide grants.

The allocation of "refinancing" funds that may be received in excess of the \$8,333,333 is as follows:

	1999-2001 Biennium	2001-03 Biennium
Participating entities generating federal funds	20%	20%
Regional and tribal children's services coordinating committees - Grants to providers	80%	80%
Total	100%	100%

Statewide Grants

The Legislative Assembly allocated 10.2 percent (\$850,000) of the \$8,333,333 of "refinancing" funds estimated to be received during the 2001-03 biennium for statewide grants. The Legislative Assembly did not change the executive recommendation that specified a \$600,000 statewide grant for the partnership project of the Department of Human Services, a \$200,000 statewide grant for the Native American alcohol and drug abuse education program of the Department of Human Services, and a \$50,000 statewide grant for the Sacred Child Project (\$50,000).