

FISCAL NOTE
 Requested by Legislative Council
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Amendment to: Reengrossed
 SB 2150

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.*

	2009-2011 Biennium		2011-2013 Biennium		2013-2015 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$83,880,599	\$20,338,000	\$98,455,599	\$15,338,000
Appropriations	\$0	\$0	\$83,880,599	\$20,338,000	\$98,455,599	\$15,338,000

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

2009-2011 Biennium			2011-2013 Biennium			2013-2015 Biennium		
Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts	Counties	Cities	School Districts
\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$103,593,599	\$0	\$0	\$113,793,599

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).*

SB 2150 is the K-12 funding and policy plan incorporating the recommendations from the ND Commission on Education Improvement.

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.*

The Department of Public Instruction appropriation bill SB 2013 adds \$195.7 million to the Grants - State school aid line item and \$5 million to the Transportation line item for formula payments to school districts. The total increase for State School Aid is made up of \$93.3 million plus \$85.6 million from Grants - Supplemental one-time and \$16.8 million Grants - Supplemental operations line item transfers.

State school aid: \$93.3 (in millions):

- 54.3 to continue the existing formula.
- 2.4 for formula revisions.
- 4.8 to increase the formula weighting factor for Special Education.
- 36.2 to increase the per student payment rate.
- .4 for regional education grants.

Section 24 establishes the per student payment rates. The rates will were set at \$3,910 the first year and \$3,980 the second year to distribute the appropriation. The rates are also supported by a \$9 million carry-forward of unobligated funds from the current biennium.

SB 2150 contains the language for distributing the Grants - Transportation line items. The transportation line item contains \$5.0 million to increase reimbursement rates.

Section 38 provides for up to \$300,000 from the grants - other grants line item in SB 2013 to school districts offering alternative education programs to students in grades 6-8.

Other fiscal impact sections that are not reflected in the numbers reported in section 1 above:

Section 5 limits the professional development advisory committee to three meetings per year. The amendment reduces the cost to \$24,000. The DPI operating line item in SB 2013 was reduced to reflect this.

Section 30 changes the parameters for school construction loans from the coal development trust fund by increasing the amount of funds that can be borrowed and increasing the interest discount by ½ percent. The fiscal impact would be reflected in reduced interest income generated for the trust fund.

The section authorizing a continuing appropriation from the lands and minerals trust fund for the ND Academic and Career and Technical Education Scholarship was removed. The \$10 million appropriation for the scholarships was included in the executive recommendations. The funding source will be reconciled with the changes to the land and minerals trust fund and permanent oil tax trust fund in HB 1451.

The section adding a weighting factor for alternative education programs for middle school students was re-instated. The weighting factor would have been implemented in the 2013-2015 biennium. The fiscal impact is not known but not expected to exceed \$1 million for a biennium.

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.*

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.*

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.*

SB 2013 State school aid 77,955,599 General Fund, 15,338,000 (State Tuition Fund)

SB 2013 Transportation 5,000,000

SB 2013 Other Grants - Alternative Education - Middle School 300,000

SB 2150 Gearing up for Kg \$625,000

SB 2150 Section 34 Rapid Enrollment Growth 5,000,000 (Impact Fund)

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