

FISCAL NOTE
Requested by Legislative Council
01/11/2021

Bill/Resolution No.: HB 1211

- 1 A. **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.*

	2019-2021 Biennium		2021-2023 Biennium		2023-2025 Biennium	
	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds	General Fund	Other Funds
Revenues						
Expenditures						
Appropriations						

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

	2019-2021 Biennium	2021-2023 Biennium	2023-2025 Biennium
Counties			
Cities			
School Districts			
Townships			

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

House Bill 1211 permits the investing of funds within the Veterans' Aid Fund, as well as the income received from the Veterans' Postwar Trust Fund, in investments in addition to those available at the Bank of North Dakota.

- 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.*

Currently, NDCC 6-09-07 requires state funds to be held on deposit with BND unless specifically spelled out otherwise in statute or constitution.

Section 1 of HB 1211 adds language to NDCC 37-14-03 to permit the State Treasurer to invest the Veterans' Aid Fund in accordance with NDCC 21-10 which is the section related to the State Investment Board. This modification would allow the State Treasurer to invest these funds in the same manner SIB is able to invest their funds.

Section 2 adds this same language to the section of statute that refers to the earnings of the Veterans' Postwar Trust Fund that are transferred to the Department of Veterans Affairs at the beginning of each 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.*

Permitting the investment of these funds to be expanded beyond the Bank of North Dakota would allow for the potential of higher returns on investment.

Due to the unpredictability of potential investment returns and the fluctuation of invested funds, it would be impossible to determine the amount of additional revenue, if any, that would be deposited into these two funds with this amended language.

- 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 or a part of the appropriation is included in the executive budget or relates to a continuing appropriation.*

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