## **Montana Legislative Services Division**

## **Legal Services Office**

TO: State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee

FROM: K. Virginia Aldrich

**DATE:** June 26, 2015

**RE:** Legislative Administrative Rule Review Report

Pursuant to 5-5-228, MCA, the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee is responsible for reviewing administrative rules within its jurisdiction. Staff for the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee has prepared this report for informational purposes only. This report does not represent any action or opinion of the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee and does not preclude additional action that may be taken by the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs Interim Committee pursuant to its authority under the Montana Administrative Procedure Act (Title 2, chapter 4, MCA).

**MAR NOTICE NUMBER: 2-4-527** 

**AGENCY/BOARD**: Department of Administration

**RULE CLASSIFICATION:** (e.g. substantive/interpretative/emergency/temporary):

Substantive

**SUBJECT:** Single Audit Act reporting fees for local governments

**NOTICE DESCRIPTION:** (e.g. proposal notice/adoption notice): Notice of proposed

amendment

**SUMMARY OF RULE(S):** The Department of Administration proposes to amend one rule that increases the annual filing fees for local government entities based on their annual revenues. The fees under this rule fund costs incurred by the Department of Administration in the administration of the Single Audit Act under Title 2, chapter 7, part 5, MCA. The Department notes that the changes are required because of "[1]egislatively authorized funding changes and the implementation of a new computer application". The Department also notes that the working capital reserves have been depleted because expenditures have exceeded revenues, and the administrative fee is the only funding mechanism besides general fund appropriations to fill the estimated shortfall of \$261,000. The fee increases are estimated to affect 500 entities, generating an estimated \$262,100.

**NOTES:** (e.g. hearing dates): No public hearing is contemplated on the above-referenced rules. The public comment period ends on July 23, 2015.

**FULL TEXT OF NOTICE**: The full text of the notice proposal may be found online at <a href="http://www.mtrules.org/gateway/ShowNoticeFile.asp?TID=6444">http://www.mtrules.org/gateway/ShowNoticeFile.asp?TID=6444</a>

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