

Proposed 2007 Session Legislation

Agency Name: Agency No:

Priority Number: Filename:

Short Title:

Agency Contact Person/Phone:

1. Purpose:
 To establish a minimal fee that would be assessed to every motorized vehicle. The revenue from this fee would provide a permanent funding source to maintain a State of Montana advanced hazardous material response capability.

2. Background:
 The State Emergency Response Commission (SERC) created and implemented a state hazardous material response plan enhancing current local response capabilities. The plan called for the formation of six regional hazmat response teams. These teams are currently funded with homeland security funds. Changes in national priorities for homeland security funds and the anticipated reduction of Montana's allocation will eliminate the current source of funding for these teams. It is the desire of the SERC that an alternate funding source be developed to maintain and further develop advanced hazardous material response capability.

3. Fiscal Impact by Fund Type: *This impact should be as specific as possible.*
 The new fee would need to generate \$824,000 each biennium to fund the six established teams.

4. Summary Checklist [Check & complete all that apply]--

Housekeeping Only
 Federal Requirement
 Audit Recommendation (Audit No.)
 Major Legislation
 Anticipated to be Controversial Legislation
 Bill Draft has been included in Legislation Submittal (if available)
 Supports Submitted EPP Item Number:
 Local Government Fiscal Impact
 Increases FTE, or
 Decreases FTE by

List FTE amount and program

Increases Existing Revenue
 Tax
 Fee
 Penalty [amount in #3]
 Decreases Existing Revenue
 Tax
 Fee
 Penalty [amount in #3]
 Establishes New Revenue
 Tax
 Fee
 Penalty [amount in #3]

Leg. has been Submitted in Previous Legislative Sessions (list priority no, LC no, or bill no):

Legislation would affect other state agencies (list):
 Dept of Justice, Dept of Revenue

Special Interest Groups Affected (list):

Other: