

FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: HB0242

Title: Implement authority to prohibit CB
radio interference with ham radio
frequencies

**Primary
Sponsor:** Roy Brown

Status: As Introduced

Sponsor signature	Date	Chuck Swysgood, Budget Director	Date
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Fiscal Summary

	<u>FY2002 Difference</u>	<u>FY2003 Difference</u>
Expenditures:	0	0
Revenue:	0	0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	0	0

<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>		<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	
	X	Significant Local Gov. Impact		X	Technical Concerns
	X	Included in the Executive Budget		X	Significant Long-Term Impacts
	X	Dedicated Revenue Form Attached		X	Family Impact Form Attached

Fiscal Analysis

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The Department of Public Service Regulation determines that it is impossible to arrive at a dollar estimate of the fiscal requirements this proposed legislation may have on the department.
2. As an indication of potential fiscal magnitude of implementing and administering this proposed legislation, it could be major.

TECHNICAL NOTES:

1. The reason for this determination is that the department is primarily designed, staffed, and equipped to administer the economic regulation (i.e., rate and quality of service regulation) of public utilities and common carriers, only designed and equipped to administer public, health, safety, and welfare regulation in narrow and limited ways, all only incidental to its primary function. Therefore, the department is not sufficiently knowledgeable or familiar with the type of regulation contemplated in the proposed legislation or with the subject matter, radio or citizens band radio emanating from fixed or mobile sources, to produce or contribute to a sound fiscal note. The department is also not aware of the magnitude of the problem, which this proposed legislation is intended to address, including the number of illegal radio sources there might be in the state of Montana. The department does not know how illegal radio sources might be detected, or verified upon complaint, how investigation might establish that a radio source is actually outside the frequency or magnitude limits, including the investigator hours required to investigate and the types and amounts of equipment required to locate and analyze such sources.