FISCAL NOTE

Bill #: SB0053 Title: Disabled vet. vehicle reg. reduced fee

for certain vehicles other than car

Primary

Sponsor: Glenn Roush **Status:** Third Reading

Sponsor signature Date Chuck Swysgood, Budget Director Date

Fiscal Summary

	FY2002 <u>Difference</u>	FY2003 <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures: General Fund	\$4,208	0
Revenue:	0	0
Net Impact on General Fund Balance:	(\$4.208)	0

Yes X	<u>No</u>	Significant Local Gov. Impact	$\frac{\mathbf{Yes}}{\mathbf{X}}$ $\frac{\mathbf{No}}{\mathbf{X}}$	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. As of April 2000 there were 828 individuals registered with the Military Affairs, Montana Veterans Affairs Division as 100% service connected disabled veterans residing in Montana.
- 2. In calendar 2000 there were 1,188 motor vehicles registered with disabled veteran (DV) plates; a total of 1,000 in calendar 1998; and a total of 912 in calendar 1997.

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- 3. For each vehicle registered under the provisions of this bill, the state general fund would be decreased by the registration fee and 95% of the GVW fees; Department of Agriculture revenues would decrease by 97% of the weed fee; the Montana Highway Patrol retirement account would decrease by \$0.25 per vehicle; and Fish, Wildlife, and Parks revenues would decrease by \$3.50 per motor home. The flat fees, the license fees, 5% of the GVW fees, and 3% of the weed fees would decrease the county general fund.
- 4. Department of Justice programming costs are estimated at \$3,300 (44 hours x @ \$75/hour = \$3,300 FY 2002 only) The programming will: 1) redesign the motor vehicle system that allow DV plates to have expiration dates and tabs that correspond to the type of vehicle; 2) to add a new type of exemption for disabled veteran license plates, and; 3) add the DV personalized plate combination to the motor vehicle system. It will be necessary to contract for programming with an outside vendor since DOJ programming staff are committed to completing the current backlog of more than 15,000 hours of programming to comply with existing mandates. Computer costs to complete the programming are estimated at \$908 in FY 2002 only (5.5 days @ \$165/day = \$907.50).

FISCAL IMPACT:

	FY2002 <u>Difference</u>	FY2003 <u>Difference</u>		
Expenditures: Operating Expenses	\$4,208	0		
Funding: General Fund (01)	\$4,208	0		
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Expenditure): General Fund (01) (\$4,208)				

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

- 1. The flat fees, the license fees, 5% of the GVW fees, and 3% of the weed fees would decrease the county general fund.
- 2. Programming costs incurred by the counties to appropriately distribute the revised fees are unknown.