



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2009 Biennium

Bill #	HB0357	Title:	Revise blind vender and blind person preference laws
Primary Sponsor:	Cohenour, Jill	Status:	As Introduced

- Significant Local Gov Impact
 Needs to be included in HB 2
 Technical Concerns
 Included in the Executive Budget
 Significant Long-Term Impacts
 Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2008 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2009 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2010 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2011 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
Montana University System funds	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown
Revenue:				
Montana University System funds	unknown	unknown	unknown	unknown
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Description of Fiscal Impact: This bill has no fiscal impact to the Department of Health and Human Services, but may impact the financial operations of vending machines on the Montana University System.

Assumptions:

Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

1. It is unknown to the Department of Public Health and Human Services what the capital investment for startup costs would be. Startup costs associated with new or expanded routes are the responsibility of the Business Enterprise Program (BEP), not the state. Any state expenditures from the VR program would come from existing authority within already established contracts with the BEP. For this reason, no new budget authority is needed as a result of this bill.

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2. This bill extends the scope of the blind vendor program to the MUS. It has the potential to significantly impact MUS, because some vending machine revenue sources are committed to long term debt service and student club funding. For example, at MSU-Bozeman, vending machines do provide a repayment stream for the student weight room renovation debt (an InterCap loan). In addition, some of the vending

machines have OneCard readers installed, the vending revenues are also used to help offset ongoing OneCard software and support costs.

Technical Notes:

There may be a legal issue with the bill as it affects the Board of Regents constitutional authority to manage the Montana University System and the requirements of this bill for the DPHHS to make decisions about campus vending machine operations.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

Date