



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2015 Biennium

Bill #	HB0542	Title:	Revise speed limit laws
Primary Sponsor:	Curtis, Amanda	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 2013</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2014</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2015</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2016</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures:					
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:					
General Fund	\$294	\$1,763	\$1,763	\$1,763	\$1,763
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance	<u>\$294</u>	<u>\$1,763</u>	<u>\$1,763</u>	<u>\$1,763</u>	<u>\$1,763</u>

Description of fiscal impact: There would be a small positive impact to the general fund due to increased fines.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Department of Justice (DOJ)

- Currently the minimum fines under 61-8-346, MCA, are \$25 for the 1st offense and \$50 for the 2nd and subsequent offense(s).
- HB 542 increases the minimum fines to \$50 for the 1st offense and \$100 for 2nd and subsequent offense(s).
- The offense fines increase \$25 for the 1st offense.
- The Montana Highway Patrol (MHP) anticipates 141 revenue based citations issued each year due to violation of 61-8-346, MCA.
- The annual fines are estimated to increase by \$3,525. (141 1st offenses * 25 = \$3,525).
- Half of fines assessed under 61-8-346, MCA, are deposited into the state general fund and half go to the county in which the fine occurred. Annual revenue to the general fund would be \$1,793 ($\$3,525/2=\$1,762.50$).
- HB 542 would become effective upon passage and approval. Therefore, the anticipated increase to the state general fund in FY 2013 would be \$294 ($\$1,762.50/12=\146.88 , $\$146.88*2=\293.75)

	<u>FY 2013 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2014 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2015 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2016 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017 Difference</u>
<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>					
<u>Expenditures:</u>					
Operating Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>					
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Revenues:</u>					
General Fund (01)	\$294	\$1,763	\$1,763	\$1,763	\$1,763
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>					
General Fund (01)	\$294	\$1,763	\$1,763	\$1,763	\$1,763

Effect on County or Other Local Revenues or Expenditures:

1. This bill would increase county revenue at the same level as the state as the revenue is split 50/50. Based on the assumptions above, the estimated revenue to the counties would be approximately \$294 in FY 2013, and \$1,763 in each succeeding year.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

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