



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2017 Biennium

Bill #	HB0191	Title:	Revise laws governing investigations of abuse at Montana state hospital
Primary Sponsor:	Eck, Jennifer	Status:	As Introduced

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2 | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget | <input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts | <input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |

FISCAL SUMMARY

	<u>FY 2016 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2018 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2019 Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$374,886	\$317,459	\$320,745	\$324,917
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	<u><u>(\$374,886)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$317,459)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$320,745)</u></u>	<u><u>(\$324,917)</u></u>

Description of fiscal impact: Based on the requirements of HB 191, the Department of Justice (DOJ) would require 4 new FTE and the associated operating budget to conduct investigations related to alleged abuse or neglect at the Montana State Hospital.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

- SB 43, passed during the 2013 legislative session created a similar requirement for the DOJ to conduct investigations related to abuse at the Montana Developmental Center (MDC) in Boulder. In 2014, the Montana Department of Justice (DOJ) conducted 100 abuse investigations at MDC, which has 50 beds, 200 employees and a mandatory 5 business day completion of abuse investigations.
- The Montana State Hospital (MSH), an in-patient psychiatric hospital, has a total of 208 beds. In FY 2014, the average daily population (ADP) was 187 patients and has 405 full time employees.
- Based on the ADP of the MSH, it is assumed that the DOJ would need to hire two 1.00 FTE compliance specialists, a 1.00 FTE law enforcement manager, and a 1.00 FTE administrative assistant to meet the requirements in HB 191.

4. MSH’s location will require frequent travel for investigators. DOJ investigators require purchased vehicles for security and privacy reasons. The DOJ will purchase two vehicles in FY 2016 at \$21,500 each to meet this requirement. Annual gasoline expenditures are estimated at \$9,600 per year.
5. Estimated operating expenses are listed in the table below. A 1.5% inflation factor has been applied to the 2019 biennium.

	FY 2016	FY 2017	FY 2018	FY 2019
Rent	\$ 10,560	\$ 10,560	\$ 10,718	\$ 10,879
Phones	\$ 9,901	\$ 9,901	\$ 10,050	\$ 10,200
Gasoline	\$ 9,600	\$ 9,600	\$ 9,744	\$ 9,890
Training	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,500	\$ 7,613	\$ 7,727
Fixed Costs	\$ 7,452	\$ 7,452	\$ 7,564	\$ 7,677
Network/Data Costs	\$ 6,838	\$ 6,838	\$ 6,941	\$ 7,045
Office Supplies	\$ 4,400	\$ 4,400	\$ 4,466	\$ 4,533
In State Meals	\$ 2,898	\$ 2,898	\$ 2,941	\$ 2,986
New FTE Office Package	\$ 6,400	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
New FTE Computers	\$ 5,200	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
New FTE Printers	\$ 2,000	\$ -	\$ -	\$ -
Total	\$ 72,749	\$ 59,149	\$ 60,036	\$ 60,937

	<u>FY 2016 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2018 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2019 Difference</u>
<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>				
FTE	4.00	4.00	4.00	4.00
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Personal Services	\$259,137	\$258,310	\$260,709	\$263,980
Operating Expenses	\$72,749	\$59,149	\$60,036	\$60,937
Equipment	\$43,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Expenditures	\$374,886	\$317,459	\$320,745	\$324,917
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>				
General Fund (01)	\$374,886	\$317,459	\$320,745	\$324,917
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	\$374,886	\$317,459	\$320,745	\$324,917
<u>Revenues:</u>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>				
General Fund (01)	(\$374,886)	(\$317,459)	(\$320,745)	(\$324,917)

Technical Notes:

1. HB 191 includes a requirement for abuse investigations to be completed within 10 business days which reduces flexibility in resources, as failure to meet the timeline jeopardizes both the MSH facility and DOJ's compliance with the law.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

Date