



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2017 Biennium

Bill #	HB0611	Title:	Allow marijuana use for veterans with post-traumatic stress disorder
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Primary Sponsor:	Peppers, Rae	Status:	As Introduced
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- 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 2016</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2017</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2018</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2019</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue		UNABLE TO DETERMINE		
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue		UNABLE TO DETERMINE		
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>

Description of fiscal impact: HB 611 adds post-traumatic stress disorder in a military veteran as a debilitating medical condition. As a result, military veterans who have been diagnosed with post-traumatic stress disorder could apply to become a registered medical marijuana card holder. The fiscal impact of the change is not able to be determined.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Department of Public Health and Human Services (DPHHS)

1. The Quality Assurance Division manages the Montana Marijuana Program. The program currently processes about 9,000 applications for cards each year.
2. It is unknown how many veterans would apply for a Montana Marijuana cards as a result of HB 611.
3. Administrative rules would be adopted with the requirements of this bill. Administrative rules cost \$25 per page for printing and publication. The cost to print and publish rules would be absorbed within existing resources.
4. DPHHS is unable to estimate the fiscal impact of HB 611.

Department of Military Affairs (DMA)

5. The DMA would not have to pay for the costs of veteran use of marijuana and as a result, there is no impact to the DMA.

DPHHS	<u>FY 2016</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>	<u>FY 2018</u>	<u>FY 2019</u>
<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
TOTAL Expenditures		UNABLE TO DETERMINE		
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>				
TOTAL Funding of Exp.		UNABLE TO DETERMINE		
<u>Revenues:</u>				
TOTAL Revenues		UNABLE TO DETERMINE		

Dept. of Military Affairs	<u>FY 2016</u>	<u>FY 2017</u>	<u>FY 2018</u>	<u>FY 2019</u>
<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
TOTAL Expenditures	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>				
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>				
TOTAL Revenues	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

Technical Notes:

DMA

1. Illegal drug use (including marijuana) is misconduct and the abuse of alcohol or the use of illicit drugs by both military and civilian personnel is inconsistent with the standards of performance, discipline, and readiness. Soldiers identified as illegal drug users will be processed for administrative separation. Soldiers may be considered for disciplinary action prior to separation. This is per Army Regulation 600-85. Similar language is used by all the services. Language in this bill would not change marijuana use as illegal drug use for active service members regardless of a PTSD determination.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

Date