

Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

Bill #	# HB0354]	Revise laws regarding driving while intoxicated costs	
Primary Sponsor:	Smith, Frank	Statu	s:	As Introduced	
☐Significant Lo	cal 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

	FY 2022 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2023 Difference	FY 2024 Difference	FY 2025 Difference
Expenditures:		e e		
General Fund	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenue:		•		
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact-General Fund Balance:	(\$150,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0

<u>Description of fiscal impact:</u> HB 354 codifies the creation of tribal drinking and driving prevention task forces within 61-2, part 1, MCA. To fund the task force, the bill appropriates \$150,000 of driver's license reinstatement fees to the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT).

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Department of Transportation (MDT)

- 1. MDT will receive a \$150,000 appropriation for the biennium beginning July 1, 2021.
- 2. MDT will distribute the entire \$150,000 to the northern tribes DUI task force during the 2023 biennium.
- 3. No additional appropriations are provided past the 2023 biennium.

	FY 2022 Difference	FY 2023 Difference	FY 2024 Difference	FY 2025 Difference							
Fiscal Impact:											
Expenditures:											
Transfers	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0							
TOTAL Expenditures	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0							
Funding of Expenditures:											
General Fund (01)	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0							
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0							
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	\$150,000	\$0	\$0	\$0							
Revenues:											
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0							
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0							
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0							
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):											
General Fund (01)	(\$150,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0							
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0							

Technical Notes:

- 1. Section 2 of the bill appropriates \$150,000 of "the state's portion of the driver's license reinstatement fees".
- 2. Section 61-5-218, MCA, provides for a fee for reinstating a suspended or revoked license of \$100. This is for reinstatement of licenses suspended due to medical reasons. These fees are deposited to the general fund.
- 3. Section 61-2-107(2), MCA, allocates one half of the driver's licenses reinstatement fees from a suspension due to DUI or other felony offenses to the general fund and the other half to a state special revenue fund. This fee is \$200. The state special revenue fund portion provides funding for county and drinking and driving prevention programs as prescribed in 61-2-108, MCA.
- 4. Section 2 does identify which of these reinstatement fees are referenced in the appropriation.
- 5. Funds deposited in the state special revenue account references in technical note 3 are allocated to counties that have a drinking and driving prevention program. Tribal entities are not eligible in the statute for receipt of these funds.
- 6. The source of revenue for the one-time-only appropriation in the bill should be clarified. For purposes of this fiscal note, it was assumed to be the general fund.