



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

Bill # HB0235

Title: Create nutrition incentive program for SNAP participants

Primary Sponsor: Welch, Tom

Status: As Amended in House Committee

- 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 2022</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2023</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2024</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2025</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$45,000	\$50,000	\$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:	<u>(\$45,000)</u>	<u>(\$50,000)</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Description of fiscal impact: HB 235, as amended, appropriates \$95,000 from the general fund to the Department of Agriculture to create a "Nutrition Incentives Program Act". The fiscal impact to the Department of Agriculture is minimal.



FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

1. The Department of Agriculture administers several grant programs within the Agriculture Marketing Development Bureau, including: Growth Through Agriculture, Food and Ag Development Centers, Montana Agriculture Student Loan Assistance Program, GTA mini-grants, and the Specialty Crop Block Grant Program. Therefore, the technical expertise required to manage another grant program currently exists.
2. The Agriculture Marketing Development Bureau must adopt rules necessary for the administration of the program.

3. The amended fiscal note for the Department of Agriculture assumes the entire \$45,000 will be awarded the first year and the remaining \$50,000 the second year of the biennium. With the understanding that any remaining granted amount of the \$45,000 can be moved into FY 2023.
4. Section 22 Appropriates \$95,000 from the general fund to the Department of Agriculture for HB 235. Section 5 requires the Department to grant this amount during the 2023 Biennium.
5. The Community Food and Agriculture Coalition already has a “Double Snap Dollars” program, therefore the Department of Agriculture would communicate with the coalition to ensure the two entities aren’t duplicating efforts.
6. HB 235 as amended terminates June 30, 2023.

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<u>Fiscal Impact:</u>				
<u>Expenditures:</u>				
Benefits	\$45,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Expenditures	<u>\$45,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Funding of Expenditures:</u>				
General Fund (01)	\$45,000	\$50,000	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	<u>\$45,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>Revenues:</u>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
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)	(\$45,000)	(\$50,000)	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

	<u>2/24/21</u>		<u>2/23/21</u>
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