

Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

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Bill#	HB0286		Revise academ	laws related to the Mo	ontana digital				
Primary Sponsor:	Windy Boy, Jonat	han	Status: As Intr	oduced	***************************************				
□ 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									
		FY 2022 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2023 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2024 Difference	FY 2025 <u>Difference</u>				
Expenditures: General Fund		\$40,000	\$40,000	\$20,000	\$20,000				
Revenue: General Fund	1	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				

<u>Description of fiscal impact:</u> HB 286 modifies 20-7-1201, MCA, reflecting the purposes of the Montana digital academy (MTDA), requiring the MTDA to include courses in Indian language and culture. The additional state general fund costs would be \$80,000 for the 2023 biennium.

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FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions:

Net Impact-General Fund Balance:

- 1. HB 286 adds to the purposes of the MTDA to support Article X, section 1(2) of the Montana constitution by offering courses in Indian language and culture that utilize American Indian language and culture specialists, support Indian language immersion programs, use materials developed by the tribes as part of the Montana Indian Language Preservation Program, and partner with Montana tribal colleges to include dual credit and intergenerational learning opportunities.
- 2. The MTDA currently offers 125 courses to Montana public schools for original credit, credit recovery, advanced placement, dual credit, and career and technical education (CTE) credit. These courses are aligned with curriculum standards and have a certified Montana teacher assigned to each class instance.
- 3. None of these current courses meet the requirements of the new section of statute proposed by this bill.

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- 4. The MTDA estimates the cost of course development and implementation would be approximately \$10,000 per course.
- 5. In order to minimally meet the proposed requirements, the MTDA estimates it would develop eight courses over the next two years and two courses per year thereafter.
- 6. Funding for the MTDA is provided through an appropriation in the state level activities program of the Office of Public Instruction (OPI) in HB 2. The OPI transfers the funds to the MTDA as it is housed in the university system.

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7. This bill will have minimal costs for postage and administrative duties. The Office of the Secretary of State does not receive general fund monies for office operations but has agreed to absorb those costs in our existing operating budget.

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Fiscal Impact:								
Expenditures:								
Transfers	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$20,000	\$20,000				
TOTAL Expenditures	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$20,000	\$20,000				
								
Funding of Expenditures:								
General Fund (01)	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$20,000	\$20,000				
TOTAL Funding of Exp.	\$40,000	\$40,000	\$20,000	\$20,000				
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Revenues:								
General Fund (01)	. \$0	* \$0	\$0	\$0				
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0				
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):								
General Fund (01)	(\$40,000)	(\$40,000)	(\$20,000)	(\$20,000)				

Technical Notes:

1. The last portion of the new section 2(d)(iv), "and intergenerational learning opportunities", may conflict with existing sections 2(a) through 2(b) which have oriented the MTDA's existing processes to produce courses that will result in credits awarded in Montana public schools.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

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