



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2023 Biennium

**Bill #** SB0021

**Title:** Revise deposit of lobbying fee and repeal broadcasting special account

**Primary Sponsor:** McClafferty, Edith (Edie)

**Status:** As Introduced

- 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>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General Fund	\$41,075	\$1,050	\$41,075	\$1,050
State Special Revenue	(\$41,075)	(\$1,050)	(\$41,075)	(\$1,050)
<b>Revenue:</b>				
General Fund	\$41,075	\$1,050	\$41,075	\$1,050
State Special Revenue	(\$41,075)	(\$1,050)	(\$41,075)	(\$1,050)
<b>Net Impact-General Fund Balance:</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

**Description of fiscal impact:** SB 21 revises the lobbyist licensing fees and repeals the associated special revenue account for state broadcasting services. The total impact to the general fund is \$42,125 for the 2023 and 2025 biennia.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

**Assumptions:**

- SB 21 revises the lobbyist licensing fee. The special revenue account for state government broadcasting services is repealed, and all revenue from the lobbyist fee will be deposited directly into the state general fund.
- Pursuant to 5-11-1111, MCA, the Legislative Services Division is required to broadcast legislative and administrative proceedings, which include the operations and maintenance of the audio and video components of the state government broadcasting service. It is assumed that repealing the state government broadcasting account will not remove this responsibility.

3. State broadcasting expenditures include cable subscription fees, the state broadcasting contract, and audio/video maintenance costs. The division currently offsets these costs with lobbyist fee revenues; remaining balances are paid by the general fund.
4. Due to the cyclical nature of the legislature, most of the cash from lobbyist fees is received in the odd year of each biennium, which corresponds with the state’s legislative sessions. An average deposit to the state government broadcasting account, based on the past four biennia, was used to estimate general fund costs.
5. If a portion of the lobbyist licensing fee is no longer allocated to the state government broadcasting account, it is assumed the state special revenue appropriation included in HB 2 for the 2023 biennium will be replaced with general fund authority.

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<b><u>Fiscal Impact:</u></b>				
<b><u>Expenditures:</u></b>				
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Expenses	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$41,075	\$1,050	\$41,075	\$1,050
State Special Revenue (02)	<u>(\$41,075)</u>	<u>(\$1,050)</u>	<u>(\$41,075)</u>	<u>(\$1,050)</u>
<b>TOTAL Funding of Exp.</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
<b><u>Revenues:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$41,075	\$1,050	\$41,075	\$1,050
State Special Revenue (02)	<u>(\$41,075)</u>	<u>(\$1,050)</u>	<u>(\$41,075)</u>	<u>(\$1,050)</u>
<b>TOTAL Revenues</b>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

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