

Proposed 2007 Session Legislation

Agency Name: Agency No:

Priority Number: Filename:

Short Title:

Agency Contact Person/Phone:

1. Purpose:
Amend section 5-7-209, MCA to provide that a principal who fails to pay a civil penalty imposed pursuant to 5-7-306 may not make payments to influence official action until the civil penalty has been paid.

2. Background:
The Commissioner's office may impose civil penalties against prinipals who fail to file timely reports or violate various provisions of the lobbying disclosure act, but there is no mechanism by which the Commissioner's office may collect on the civil penalties assessed. The proposed legislation would provide some ability to

3. Fiscal Imact by Fund Type: *This impact should be as specific as possible.*
It's anticipated that there may be a small increase in the collection of civil penalties if this legislation passes.

4. Summary Checklist [Check & complete all that apply]--

Housekeeping Only Federal Requirement Audit Recommendation (Audit No.) Major Legislation

Anticipated to be Controversial Legislation Bill Draft has been included in Legislation Submittal (if available)

Supports Submitted EPP Item Number: Local Government Fiscal Impact

Increases FTE, or Decreases FTE by

List FTE amount and program
No impact on agency FTE

Increases Existing Revenue Tax Fee Penalty [amount in #3]

Decreases Existing Revenue Tax Fee Penalty [amount in #3]

Establishes New Revenue Tax Fee Penalty [amount in #3]

Leg. has been Submitted in Previous Legislative Sessions (list priority no, LC no, or bill no):

Legislation would affect other state agencies (list):

Special Interest Groups Affected (list):
Principals and lobbyists.

Other:
I anticipate that this proposal will generate a significant amount of opposition..