

HOUSE BILL NO. 488

INTRODUCED BY IVERSON, MAZUREK, KOLSTAD, GALT, BACHINI, LYBECK,
HARPER, MARKS, BARDANOUE, AKLESTAD, NATHE, ERNST, MANUEL

IN THE HOUSE

January 26, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
January 28, 1985	Fiscal Note requested.
February 2, 1985	Fiscal Note returned.
February 8, 1985	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted. Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 9, 1985	Second reading, do pass.
February 11, 1985	Considered correctly engrossed.
February 12, 1985	Third reading, passed. Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

February 13, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
March 14, 1985	Committee recommend bill be concurrent in as amended. Report adopted.
March 21, 1985	Second reading, concurred in.
March 23, 1985	Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 48; Noes, 0. Returned to House with amendments.

IN THE HOUSE

March 25, 1985

Received from Senate.

April 5, 1985

Second reading, amendments
concurrent in.

April 8, 1985

Third reading, amendments
concurrent in.

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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STATE OF MONTANA
FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST NO. FNN 257-85

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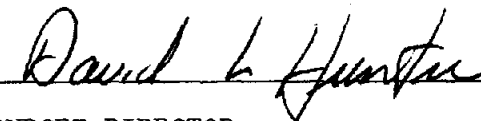
In compliance with a written request received January 28, 19 85, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 488 pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 4, Part 2 of the Montana Code Annotated (MCA). Background information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to members of the Legislature upon request.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

House Bill 488 would create a Montana-Western Canadian Provinces Boundary Advisory Committee to meet with government counterparts in bordering Canadian provinces. The Governor would serve as chairman. Four legislators and four executive branch members representing agriculture; water and natural resources; economic development, trade, and tourism; and research and education would serve on the committee.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The Legislative Council and Environmental Quality Council would be appropriated funds to support legislator and staff travel expenses under this bill. Travel expenses for Executive Branch travel would be appropriated.
2. There would be one, one-day meeting between Canadian legislators and Montanans each year, one year in Canada, one year in Montana.
3. The committee would request legislative staff assistance at its meetings including an Environmental Quality Council staffer when boundary waters issues are on the agenda.
4. No extensive publications would be required.
5. Staff costs other than travel could be absorbed in the current programs of legislative agencies.



BUDGET DIRECTOR
Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: Feb 2, 1985

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FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenditures:

1987 Biennium

Personal Services (Legislative Council)	\$1,186.00
Operating Expenses (Legislative Council)	4,000.50
Operating Expenses (Environmental Quality Council)	694.30
Operating Expenses (Executive Branch)	<u>3,306.00</u>
TOTAL	\$9,186.80

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE
ON STATE ADMINISTRATION

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STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

SENATE

.....March 14..... 19 85..

MR. PRESIDENT

We, your committee on STATE ADMINISTRATION.....

having had under consideration.....HOUSE BILL..... No. 488.....

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ESTABLISH MONTANA-WESTERN CANADIAN PROVINCES BOUNDARY ADVISORY
COMMITTEE

Respectfully report as follows: That.....HOUSE BILL..... No. 488.....

be amended as follows:

1. Title, line 8.

Following: "COMMITTEE"

Insert: "; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE"

2. Page 4 .

Following: line 6

Insert: "NEW SECTION. Section 5. Effective date. This
act is effective on passage and approval."

AND AS AMENDED

BE CONCURRED IN

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Chairman.

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7 NEW SECTION. SECTION 6. EFFECTIVE DATE. THIS ACT IS
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