

1 House BILL NO. 78  
 2 INTRODUCED BY D. Johnson - Broad Menahan Palmer  
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 5 THE FIRST AND SECOND CLASS TO PAY FULL PREMIUM FOR INSURANCE  
 6 PROVIDED UNDER 11-1024, R.C.M. 1947, TO FIREFIGHTERS IN THE  
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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 82-75

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received January 24, 19 75, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 78 pursuant to Chapter 53, Laws of Montana, 1965 - Thirty-Ninth Legislative Assembly.

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 78 requires first and second class cities to pay the full premium for firefighters insurance, to provide firefighters a minimum of \$20,000 life insurance, and provide authority to raise the local mill levy, not to exceed two mills.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. 400 firemen will be affected.
2. \$20,000 life insurance coverage costs \$12 per month per fireman.
3. Firemen's group hospitalization, medical, and health accident insurance premiums are \$55 per month per fireman.
4. Total taxable valuation of first and second class cities in FY 75 was \$270,737,543. It is assumed this value will not change significantly during the biennium.
5. There would be no impact on state expenditures under proposed law.

LOCAL FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenditures of first and second class cities will increase by an estimated \$328,000 per year. An additional local property tax levy of 1.21 mills would cover the increased expenditure.



BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: January 29, 1975

Approved by Committee  
on Labor & Employment  
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SENATE COMMITTEE ON LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT RELATIONS  
AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 78

That House Bill No. 78, third reading, be amended as follows:

1. Amend title, page 1, lines 7 and 8.  
Following: "CITIES"  
Strike: "TO PROVIDE A MINIMUM LIFE INSURANCE COVERAGE,"
2. Amend page 1, section 1, line 20.  
Following: "11-1024"  
Strike: " ; "  
Insert: "."
3. Amend page 1, section 1, lines 21 through 22.  
Strike: Subsection (c) in its entirety

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