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Hou BILL NO. 1 INTRODUCED BY 2 MAR Bredley Sumall 3 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT FREEZING THE APPRAISALW. But 4 5 AND ASSESSMENT OF CERTAIN OWNER-OCCUPIED RESIDENCES." 6 7 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA: 8 Section 1. Appraisal and assessment frozen in certain 9 cases. The department of revenue or its agent may not 10 increase the appraised valuation or the assessed valuation 11 of any property over the values in effect on March 1, 1975, 12 when such property is: 13 (1) an owner-occupied residence and appurtenant land, 14 and (2) owned by a person or persons over sixty-five (65) 15 years of age or by a person or persons permanently disabled 16 17 who has a gross income of less than ten thousand dollars 18 (\$10,000) a year. -End-

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INTRODUCED BILL

STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 212-75

FISCAL NOTE

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In compliance with a written request received <u>February 11</u>, 19, 75, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for <u>House Bill 477</u> 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 477 freezes the appraisal and assessment of owner occupied residences at March 1, 1975 levels where the owner is over 65 or disabled with a gross annual income less than \$10,000.

CONCLUSION:

The taxable value of the property eligible for this bill is indeterminable but quite negligible in relation to all taxable property. The ceiling on appraisals will lower state and local property tax collections in the future if all other appraisals continue to rise, but the impact on property tax revenues is expected to be very small.

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BUDGET DIRECTOR U Office of Budget and Program Planning Date: February 17, 1975