

FISCAL NOTE

Form *BD-15*


In compliance with a written request received Jan. 20, 19 75, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for Senate Bill 107 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:

Senate Bill 107 changes the age for beneficiaries who are full-time students in accredited schools from 22 years to 25 years, in order that Montana death benefits for Workmen's Compensation complies completely with the report of the national commission on State Workmen's Compensation laws.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Senate Bill 107 does not require legislative appropriation. Since the proposal would only increase the age of children attending an accredited school from 22 to 25 years old the increased scope is minimal. There are presently approximately 50 deaths per year covered by Workmen's Compensation. The increased coverage would have an insignificant effect on the death benefits paid from the fund.



BUDGET DIRECTOR
Office of Budget and Program Planning
Date: 1/25/75

Approved by Committee
on Labor & Employment
Relations

1 *Senate* BILL NO. *107*
2 INTRODUCED BY *R. Smith (By request of Workmen's Compensation)*
3 *Division*

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23 years who is dependent upon the decedent for support at the
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1 support at the time of the injury. However, such a parent is
2 a beneficiary only when no beneficiary, as defined in
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