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13	bus transportation constitute the maximum reimbursement to	13	cents (\$.35) <u>\$.52</u> per bus mile.
14	districts for school bus transportation from state and	14	(2) When the number of eligible transportees boarding
15	county sources of transportation revenue under the	15	a school bus on an approved route is less than seventy-five
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20	during the ensuing school fiscal year. The operation of any	20	(b) multiply the number determined in subsection
21	vehicle reimbursed under the rate provisions of this	21	(2)(a) by tw <del>enty-five-per-cent-(</del> 25% <del>)</del> and round-off to the
22	schedule shall be a school bus, as defined by this Title,	22	nearest whole number;
23	driven by a qualified driver on a bus route approved by the	23	(c) add the amount calculated in subsection (2)(b) to
24	county transportation committee and the superintendent of	24	the number determined in subsection (2) (a) to determine the
25	public instruction.	25	adjusted rated capacity for the bus; and
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1 (d) use the adjusted rated capacity determined in 2 subsection (2) (c) as the rated capacity of such bus to 3 determine the rate per bus mile traveled from the rate 4 schedule in subsection (1) above.

5 The rated capacity shall be the number of riding 6 positions of a school bus as determined under the policy 7 adopted by the board of education.\*

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## STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. \_\_\_\_\_401-77

# FISCAL NOTE

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compliance with a written request received February 8, 19 _77, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note
r House Bill 378 pursuant to Chapter 53, Laws of Montana, 1965 - Thirty-Ninth Legislative Assembly.
ackground information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to members
f the Legislature upon request.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

House Bill 378 increases the reimbursement rate for school buses from \$0.35 per bus mile to \$0.52 per bus mile.

## **ASSUMPTIONS:**

1. The number of bus miles traveled will be the same in FY78 and FY 79 as in FY 77, an estimated 89,480 miles. 2. 45% of the miles traveled are by high school buses; 55% by elementary school buses.

3. The increase in the rates redistributes the financial burden from the school districts to county and state government entities.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY 78</u>	<u>FY 79</u>
State	\$ 912,704 ···	\$ 912,704
*County	1,323,421	1,323,421
District	(2,236,125)	(2,236,125)
Total	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

\*\$501,987 of the county figure is funded by the basic 25 mill levy of the Foundation Program.

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BUDGET DIRECTOR Office of Budget and Program Planning Date: 2 - 14 - 77 45th Legislature

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16	provisions of sections 75-7022 and 75-7023. These rates
17	snall not limit the amount which a district may budget in
15	its transportation fund budget in order to provide for the
19	estimated and necessary cost of school bus transportation
20	during the ensuing school fiscal year. The operation of any
21	vehicle reimbursed under the rate provisions of this
5.2	schedule shall be a school bus, as defined by this Title.
23	driven by a qualified driver on a bus route approved by the
24	county transportation committee and the superintendent of
25	sublic instruction.

(1) The rate per bus mile traveled shall be determined
 in accordance with the following schedule when the number of
 eligible transportees boarding such school bus on an
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(2) When the number of eligible transportees boarding
a school bus on an approved route is less than seventy-five
per-cent-(75%) of its rated capacity, the rate per bus mile

17 traveled shall be computed as follows:

13 (a) determine the number of eligible transportees19 boarding the school bus on such route;

20 (b) multiply the number determined in subsection

21 (2)(3) by twenty-five-per-cent-(25%) and round-off to the

22 nearest whole number;

23 (c) add the amount calculated in subsection (2)(b) to
24 the number determined in subsection (2) (3) to determine the
25 adjusted rated capacity for the bus; and

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