

1 *Kropp* H BILL NO. *449*
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO REQUIRE ALL
 5 STATE-OPERATED EDUCATIONAL FACILITIES TO BE ACCREDITED BY
 6 THE BOARD OF PUBLIC EDUCATION; AMENDING SECTIONS 75-7501,
 7 75-7502, 75-7503.1, 75-7505, AND 75-7506, R.C.M. 1947."

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 9 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

10 Section 1. Section 75-7501, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to
 11 read as follows:

12 "75-7501. Standards of accreditation. Standards of
 13 accreditation for all public schools and for all academic
 14 and vocational facilities operated by any state institution
 15 or state agency, except those within the Montana university
 16 system, shall be adopted by the board of public education
 17 upon the recommendations of the superintendent of public
 18 instruction."

19 Section 2. Section 75-7502, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to
 20 read as follows:

21 "75-7502. Accreditation of schools. Every school year
 22 the operational conditions under which of each elementary
 23 school, middle school, junior high school, and high school,
 24 and state-operated academic or vocational facility operates
 25 shall be reviewed by the superintendent of public

1 instruction to determine ~~each school's~~ compliance with the
 2 standards of accreditation. The accreditation status of
 3 every such school and facility shall then be established by
 4 the board of public education upon the recommendation of the
 5 superintendent of public instruction, and notification of
 6 such status for the applicable school year shall be given to
 7 each district and appropriate state agency."

8 Section 3. Section 75-7503.1, R.C.M. 1947, is amended
 9 to read as follows:

10 "75-7503.1. Instruction in public schools. The board
 11 of public education shall define and specify the basic
 12 instructional program for pupils in public schools and
 13 state-operated academic and vocational facilities, and such
 14 program shall be set forth in the standards of
 15 accreditation. Other instruction may be given when approved
 16 by the board of trustees or by the appropriate state
 17 agency."

18 Section 4. Section 75-7505, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to
 19 read as follows:

20 "75-7505. Maintenance of curriculum guide file and
 21 publishing curriculum guides by superintendent of public
 22 instruction. The superintendent of public instruction shall
 23 collect and maintain a file of curriculum guides to be made
 24 available to districts and appropriate state agencies for
 25 the use of schools and state-operated educational facilities

1 in planning courses of instruction. He may prepare, publish,
2 and distribute curriculum guides for the use of schools and
3 state-operated educational facilities in planning courses of
4 instruction. He may solicit the assistance of educators and
5 other qualified persons in the preparation of curriculum
6 guides."

7 Section 5. Section 75-7506, R.C.M. 1947, is amended to
8 read as follows:

9 "75-7506. Instructional assistance by superintendent
10 of public instruction. The superintendent of public
11 instruction shall, at the request of the district or county
12 superintendent or of the appropriate state agency, assist
13 the schools and state agencies with the planning,
14 implementation, operation, and evaluation of instruction
15 through in-service training and individual consultation."

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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 199-77

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received January 25, 19 77, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 449 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 449 requires all state operated educational facilities to be accredited by the Board of Public Education.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Enactment of House Bill 449 will extend accreditation to schools at four institutions: Swan River, Prison, Boulder River, and Eastmont.
- 2. New accreditation standards must be established for schools at institutions.
- 3. Two additional professional staff and commensurate support staff and operating expense will be required.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY 78</u>	<u>FY 79</u>
Personal services	\$50,321	\$53,340
Operating expenses	20,000	15,000
Equipment	<u>2,500</u>	<u>0</u>
Additional cost of proposed legislation	<u>\$72,821</u>	<u>\$68,340</u>

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