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INTRODUCED BY Hayes Corres Juliu

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(1) "Home health agency" means a public or private agency, organization, facility, or subdivision thereof engaged in providing home health services to individuals and families, where they are presently residing or in ambulatory care settings, for the purpose of preventing disease and promoting, maintaining, or restoring health or minimizing the effects of illness or disability.

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Section 3. Certification standards. Home health 9 10 agencies developed by this act must meet regulations prescribed by the federal government in Title XVIII of P.L. 11 12 89-97 which allows agencies meeting the regulations to be certified for reindursement for services 13 to 14 medicare-eligible clients.

Section 4. Nondiscrimination. A person may not be
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Section 5. Appropriation. (1) The sum of \$100,000 is
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FISCAL NOTE

Form BD	-15
In compliance with a written request received <u>February 7</u> , 19 <u>7</u> , there is hereby submitted a Fiscal N for <u>House Bill 663</u> , pursuant to Chapter 53, Laws of Montana, 1965 - Thirty-Ninth Legislative Assembly.	ote
Background information used in developing this Fiscal Note is available from the Office of Budget and Program Planning, to mem	bers
of the Legislature upon request.	

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION

An act to preserve and protect the public health through the provision of home health services to portions of the population not now being served; appropriating \$100,000 to the Department of Health and Environmental Sciences to implement the act.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. After the Home Health agencies are established and operating, patients will be billed based on their ability to pay.
- 2. Services provided will be to large rural areas.
- 3. Fees received from title XVIII and other funds for patient services will make programs on local levels self supporting after FY78.
- 4. 2.00 FTE (State) will drop out of the program after FY78.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Personal services	\$31,575
Operating expenses	6,425
Equipment	2,000
Grants	60,000
Total	\$ <u>100,000</u>

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BUDGET DIRECTOR Office of Budget and Program Planning Date: _______7____

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Approved by Committee on Public Health, Welfare & Safety

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