

1 House BILL NO. 695  
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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO ESTABLISH DATA  
 5 PROCESSING, COMPILATION, AND STORAGE RESPONSIBILITIES IN THE  
 6 DEPARTMENT OF COMMUNITY AFFAIRS."  
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8 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

9 Section 1. Data processing, compilation, and storage.  
 10 The department of community affairs shall in cooperation  
 11 with other governmental and private agencies whenever  
 12 practicable:

13 (1) serve as a summary tape processing center for  
 14 demographic and economic data-base information from federal  
 15 agencies, including the bureau of census and bureau of  
 16 economic analysis in the United States department of  
 17 commerce;

18 (2) maintain a central depository of statistical,  
 19 graphic, and other information, including  
 20 computer-retrievable files, concerning the significant  
 21 characteristics of the state, its people, economy, land, and  
 22 physical characteristics, including but not limited to  
 23 natural resource information concerning soils, topography,  
 24 vegetation types, wildlife, geology, land capability, and  
 25 hydrology;

1 (3) compile and maintain an inventory of state agency  
 2 data sources from information collected by the department of  
 3 administration;

4 (4) publish, on a regular basis, the most recent  
 5 available statistical and other information, including but  
 6 not limited to commonly requested social and economic  
 7 information; directories of trade and technical  
 8 associations, state manufacturers, research and technology  
 9 sources; and summaries of federal grants made within the  
 10 state; and

11 (5) in cooperation with state, federal, and local  
 12 agencies, compile and maintain land use map data and a land  
 13 use inventory for the state and its subdivisions.

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## STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 400-77

## FISCAL NOTE

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In compliance with a written request received February 8, 19 77, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 695 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 695 establishes data processing, compilation, and storage responsibilities within the Department of Community Affairs. Under the proposed legislation, the Department would (1) serve as a summary tape processing center for demographic and economic information from federal agencies, (2) maintain a central depository of statistical information concerning the significant characteristics of the state, (3) compile and maintain an inventory of state agency data sources from information collected by the Department of Administration, (4) regularly publish various social and economic information, directories of trade and technical associations, state manufacturers, and summaries of federal grants, and (5) compile and maintain land use map and inventory data for the state.

## ASSUMPTION:

Four (4) additional FTE employees would be required by the Department of Community Affairs Research and Information Division to implement House Bill 695. One (1) Research Analyst position is needed for summaries of federal grants made within the state, plus support costs. Three (3) full-time positions are needed to compile and maintain land use map data and land-use inventory for the state and its subdivisions.

## FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY 78</u>	<u>FY 79</u>
Expenditures under proposed law		
Personal services	\$239,000	\$239,000
Operating expenses	<u>144,000</u>	<u>144,000</u>
Total expenditures under proposed law	383,000	383,000
Expenditures under current law	<u>208,000</u>	<u>208,000</u>
Increased expenditures under proposed law	<u>\$175,000</u>	<u>\$175,000</u>

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