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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 624-77

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received March 15, 19 77, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for Senate Bill 421 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 421 establishes a resident student financial assistance program.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Section 8 of the proposed legislation allows for charging administrative costs to participate; thus, the costs outlined below are attributable to Section 6 of the proposed legislation.
2. Estimated expenses are based on estimated grants of \$200,000 per year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY 78</u>	<u>FY 79</u>
Personal services	\$1,500	\$1,500
Operating expenses	<u>500</u>	<u>500</u>
Total	<u>\$2,000</u>	<u>\$2,000</u>

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Date: 3-24-77

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HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 14, 1977

COMMITTEE ON EDUCATION AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 421

Amend the third reading bill as follows:

1. Amend page 3, section 7, line 9.

Following: "TREASURY"

Strike: "WITHIN THE AGENCY FUND"

AS AMENDED

BE CONCURRED IN



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1. Amend page 1, section 3, line 13.

Following: "Section 3."

Strike: "Definition"

Insert: "Definitions"

Following: "act"

Strike: ", "

Insert: ": (1)"

2. Amend page 1, section 3, line 17.

Following: "Montana"

Insert: "; (2) "postsecondary institution" includes the units of the university system and any postsecondary institution accredited or licensed under Title 75, chapter 92, R.C.M. 1947"

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