

HOUSE BILL 346

IN THE HOUSE

January 24, 1979

Introduced and referred to  
Committee on State Administration.

February 8, 1979

Committee recommend bill, do  
not pass.

February 9, 1979

Report adopted. Objection.

1 HOUSE BILL NO. 346  
2 INTRODUCED BY Wade

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO AUTHORIZE A RATE  
5 EQUAL TO THE MILEAGE ALLOTMENT ALLOWED BY THE UNITED STATES  
6 INTERNAL REVENUE SERVICE TO BE PAID WHEN A PRIVATELY OWNED  
7 VEHICLE IS USED BY THE STATE GOVERNMENT; AMENDING SECTION  
8 2-18-503, MCA."

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

11 Section 1. Section 2-18-503, MCA, is amended to read:  
12 "2-18-503. Mileage — allowance. (1) Members of the  
13 legislature, state officers and employees, jurors,  
14 witnesses, county agents, and all other persons who may be  
15 entitled to mileage paid from public funds, when using their  
16 own automobiles in the performance of official duties, are  
17 entitled to collect mileage for the distance actually  
18 traveled by automobile and no more unless otherwise  
19 specifically provided by law.

20 (2) When the individual is authorized to operate a  
21 privately owned vehicle even though a government-owned or  
22 leased vehicle is available, a rate of 3 cents less per mile  
23 than the mileage rate allowed by the United States internal  
24 revenue service for the preceding year shall be paid.

25 (3) When a privately owned vehicle is used because a

1 government-owned or leased vehicle is not available or  
2 because such use is in the best interest of the governmental  
3 entity, a rate equal to the mileage allotment allowed by  
4 the United States internal revenue service for the preceding  
5 year shall be paid ~~for the first 1,000 miles and 3 cents per~~  
6 ~~mile less for all miles thereafter traveled within a given~~  
7 ~~calendar month.~~

8 (4) Members of the legislature, state officers and  
9 employees, jurors, witnesses, county agents, and all other  
10 persons who may be entitled to mileage paid from public  
11 funds, when using their own airplanes in the performance of  
12 official duties, are entitled to collect mileage for the  
13 distance actually traveled at a rate of 20 cents per statute  
14 mile and no more unless specifically provided by law.

15 (5) This section does not alter 5-2-301.

16 (6) The department of administration shall prescribe  
17 rules necessary for the effective administration of this  
18 section for state government."

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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 145-79

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received JAN 26, 19 79, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 346 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:

An amendment to the mileage reimbursement law that removes the provision that all miles driven in a month in excess of 1,000 are reimbursed at a rate 3¢ less than that authorized the initial 1,000 miles.

Assumptions:

1. The information supplied by the larger agencies impacted by this bill is materially correct.
2. That budget cuts in the "travel" will not materially effect the results of this fiscal note (see comments below).

Expenditure Impact:

	<u>FY 1980</u>	<u>FY 1981</u>
Increased Operating Expenditures	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>

Fund Information:

	<u>FY80</u>	<u>FY81</u>
General Fund	\$35,000	\$35,000
Other Funds	15,000	15,000
	<u>\$50,000</u>	<u>\$50,000</u>

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