

HOUSE BILL 729

IN THE HOUSE

February 10, 1979

Introduced and referred to
Committee on Business and
Industry.

1 House BILL NO. 729
2 INTRODUCED BY Triple

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO EXEMPT TAXICABS FROM
5 REGULATION AS MOTOR CARRIERS; AMENDING SECTION 69-12-102,
6 MCA."

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

9 Section 1. Section 69-12-102, MCA, is amended to read:
10 "69-12-102. Scope of chapter -- exemptions. (1) This
11 chapter does not affect:

12 (a) motor vehicles used in carrying property
13 consisting of agricultural commodities (not including
14 manufactured products thereof) if the motor vehicles are not
15 used in carrying other property or passengers for
16 compensation;

17 (b) the operation of school buses which are used in
18 conveying pupils or other students enrolled in classes to
19 and from district or other schools or in transportation
20 movements related to school activities which are sponsored
21 or supervised by school authorities;

22 (c) the transportation by means of motor vehicles in
23 the regular course of business of employees, supplies, and
24 materials by a person or corporation engaged exclusively in
25 the construction or maintenance of highways or engaged

1 exclusively in logging or mining operations, insofar as the
2 use of employees, supplies, and materials in construction
3 and production is concerned;

4 (d) the transportation of property by motor vehicle in
5 a city, town, or village with a population of less than 500
6 persons according to the latest United States census or in
7 the commercial areas thereof, as determined by the
8 commission;

9 (e) the transportation of newspapers, newspaper
10 supplements, periodicals, or magazines;

11 (f) tow trucks and wreckers designed and exclusively
12 used in towing abandoned, wrecked, or disabled vehicles or
13 while these tow trucks and wreckers are rendering assistance
14 to abandoned, wrecked, or disabled vehicles;

15 (g) motor vehicles used exclusively in carrying junk
16 vehicles from a collection point to a motor vehicle wrecking
17 facility or a motor vehicle graveyard; or

18 (h) ambulances; or

19 ~~(i) taxicabs with a capacity for five or fewer~~
20 ~~passengers that transport persons not over a regular route~~
21 ~~or between fixed termini.~~

22 (2) This chapter does not prevent bona fide leases,
23 brokerage agreements, or buy-and-sell agreements."

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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 358-79

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received Feb. 14, 19 79, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 729 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:

HB 729 - Exempt taxi operations from jurisdiction of Public Service Commission

Assumptions:

- 1. Carriers holding authority for taxi operations will not be required to pay Annual Report fees or equipment registration fees.
- 2. Number of carriers holding taxi authority will remain constant.

Revenue Impact:

Annual Report fees and vehicle registration fee collections under current law	\$ 485	\$ 485
Annual Report fee and vehicle registration fee collections under proposed law	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>
<u>Decrease in Annual Report fee and vehicle registration fee collections</u>	<u>\$ 485</u>	<u>\$ 485</u>

The revenue loss will accrue to the State General Fund.

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