

HOUSE BILL NO. 35

INTRODUCED BY DONALDSON, THOFT, BENGTSON

IN THE HOUSE

January 6, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Education.
	On motion by chief sponsor, Representatives Bengtson and Thoft were added as authors to the pre-filed bill.
January 7, 1981	Fiscal note requested.
January 9, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass and be placed on consent calendar. Report adopted.
January 10, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
	Correctly engrossed.
January 12, 1981	Fiscal note returned.
	Consent calendar, do pass. Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

January 13, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Education.
March 17, 1981	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 19, 1981	Second reading, concurred in.
March 21, 1981	Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 48; Noes, 0.

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March 23, 1981	Returned from Senate. Concurred in. Sent to enrolling.
	Reported correctly enrolled.

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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 35-81

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received January 8, 19 81, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 35 pursuant to Title 5, Chapter 4, Part 2 of the Montana Code Annotated (MCA).

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

A proposal to raise the per-pupil consolidation and annexation bonus payments from \$100 to \$300.

Assumptions

1. The number of consolidations and annexations will remain the same as occurred in the 1979-80 school year.
2. The number of pupils will also remain the same.

	<u>FY 1982</u>	<u>FY 1983</u>
Revenue Impact	0	0
Expenditure Impact		
Present Law	\$16,300	\$16,300
Proposed Law	48,900	48,900
Increased Costs	\$32,600	\$32,600

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BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: 1-12-81

SECOND READING BILL
WAS NOT PRINTED.

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CONSENT CALENDAR

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