# Senate Bill 156

In The Senate

January 16, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation.	
	Fiscal note requested.	
January 22 1981	Fiscal note returned.	
February 7, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended.	
February 9, 1981	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.	
February 10, 1981	Second reading do pass.	
February 11, 1981	Correctly engrossed.	
February 12, 1981	Third reading passed.	
In The House		
February 13, 1981	Introduced and referred to Committee on Agriculture.	
March 19, 1981	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended.	
In The Senate		

March 24, 1981 Returned from House not concurred.

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4 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT CREATING A MONTANA 5 DAIRY MARKETING COMMITTEE; ESTABLISHING THE POWERS OF THE 6 COMMITTEE; AND IMPOSING A 1/2 OF 1 PERCENT ASSESSMENT ON 7 CERTAIN SALES OF MILK FOF PURPOSES OF ADMINISTERING THE 8 ACT."

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

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20 Section 2. Definitions. As used in [this act], unless
21 the context otherwise requires, the following definitions
22 apply:

23 (1) "Committee" means the Montana dairy marketing
24 committee provided for in [section 2].

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processes, and sells dairy products or who acts as sales
 purchasing agent, broker, or factor of dairy products.

3 (3) "Person" means an individual, corporation,
4 partnership, trust, association, cooperative, or any other
5 business unit, davice, or arrangement.

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7 cows and sells it for human or animal food or for medicinal
a or industrial uses.

9 (5) "Producer-handler" means any person who produces
10 milk or milk fat and uses the production or any part of it
11 for processing or sale.

12 (6) "Ship" means to deliver or consign milk or cream 13 to a person dealing in processing, distributing, or 14 manufacturing dairy products for sale, for human or animal 15 consumption, or for industrial or medicinal uses.

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2 (a) district 1, consisting of the counties of
3 Flathead, Lake, Lincoln, Sanders, Glacier, and Toole;

4 (b) district 2, consisting of the counties of
5 Missoula, Ravalli, Mineral, Powell, Silver Sow, Granite, and
6 Deer Lodge;

7 (c) district 3, consisting of the counties of Cascade,
8 Lewis and Clark, Teton, Pondera, Liberty, Chouteau, Judith
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 Yellowstone, Sweet Grass, Stillwater, Carbon, Big Horn,
 Powder River, Carter, Fallon, Musselshell, Rosebud, Custer,
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 residence to another district during his term of office
 shall forthwith cease to be a member of the committee.

4 (3) A list of nominees for appointment to the 5 committee may be submitted to the governor by any Montene 6 trade association, the membership of which is confined to 7 milk producers, provided that such list must be submitted at 8 least 45 days prior to [the effective date of this act] and 9 thereafter 45 days prior to the expiration of any member's 10 term.

(4) The committee is allocated to the department of
 agriculture for administrative purposes only, as provided in
 2+15-121.

Section 4. Compensation -- per diem. A member of the committee is entitled to compensation of \$30 for each day he is actually and necessarily engaged in the transaction of official business, plus travel expenses as provided in 2-13-501 through 2-18-503, incurred while on official business.

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1 committee. 1 2 Section 6. Powers of the committee. (1) The committee 2 3 aa y : 3 (a) adopt rules necessary for the administration of 4 4 5 [this act]: 5 (b) provide, through the department, for the ъ £ enforcement of [this act]; 7 7 (c) engage in dairy r search, education, advertising, s 8 9 promotion, and publicity; 9 10 (d) attempt to find new markets for dairy products and 10 their byproducts; 11 11 12 (e) promulgate and publicize statistics and other 12 13 reliable information showing the value of milk, cream, and 13 dairy products for any purpose considered useful; 14 14 (f) encourage 15 the widespread national and 15 international use of dairy products and byproducts produced 16 16 17 in Montane; 17 13 (a) investigate and participate in studies of the 1.6 19 problems peculiar to the dairy producers in Montane; 19 20 (h) enter into all contracts necessary or advisable in 20 the furtherance of [this act]; sue and be sued; appoint and 21 21 22 employ officers, agents, and other personnel, including 22 23 experts in agriculture, dairying, and the publicizing of 23 24 dairy products, and prescribe their duties and fix their 24 25 compensation; make use of all advertising means and methods 25 -5-

1 as the committee considers advisable and enter into 2 contracts and agreements for research and advertising within 3 and without the state; lease, purchase, and own real or 4 personal property necessary for the administration of [this 5 act]; prosecute in the name of the state any suit or action 6 for the collection of the assessment provided for in 7 [section 7]; and

8 (i) accept grants, donations, and gifts from any
 9 source to be expended for any or all purposes consistent
 0 with [this act].

11 (2) The committee shall keep books, records, and 12 accounts of all its activities, which shall be public 13 records.

14 (3) None of the powers or duties provided in [this LS act] permit participation in state or federal political L6 action by the committee.

Section 7. Assessments -- refunds. (1) Beginning on [the effective date of this act], there is assessed upon the producer a levy of 1/2 of 1% of the gross dollar periodic settlements for the sale of all milk and cream produced in the state of Hontana and sold or contracted for sale through commercial channels, which assessment is due on or before the time when the milk or cream is first sold or contracted for sale in commercial channels. The assessment shall be paid by the first purchaser or producer-handler to the

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1 department of agriculture not later than the 25th day of the 2 month next succeeding the month in which the milk or cream 3 is sold or contracted for sale in commercial channels.

4 (2) If a purchaser or a producer-handler fails to 5 remit any money so collected or fails to make deductions for assessments, a penalty of 20% shall be added to the amount 6 7 of any assessments that are unpaid when due, and the penalty shall be paid by the purchaser or producer-handler. 8

9 (3) The assessment constitutes a lien prior to all other liens and encumbrances upon the milk or cream, except 10 11 liens that are given priority by a statute of this state.

12 (4) A producer may obtain a refund of assessments paid under [this act] for the prior calendar quarter upon 13 submission of a written, verified request to the committee. 14 15 The request must be filed with the committee on or before the close of the 40th day following the close of the 16 calendar quarter and must be accompanied by the original 17 18 statements received by the producer from the purchaser at 19 the times of settlement.

Section 8. Purchaser's statements. (1) The purchaser 20 21 or the producer-handler at the time of each settlement shall 22 make and deliver separate statements for each purchase to the producer, and these statements shall be delivered at the 23 time of each monthly or bimonthly payment date. 24

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shall include at least the following: 3 (a) the names and addresses of the producer and 4 purchaser or producer-handler; 5 (b) the dollar value of the milk and cream sold; 6 (c) the amount of the assessment collected in 7 accordance with [this act]; and 8 (d) the date of the purchase. 9 (3) The statements shall be legibly written or typed 10 and shall be free of any corrections or erasures on the face 11 thereof. 12 (4) Any person who alters any part of any statement is

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6 committee.

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3 through its authorized agents may enter and inspect the
9 premises and records of any dealer or producer-handler for
10 the purpose of enforcing [this act].

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Section 12. Violations — panalty. Any person
violating any provision of [this act] is guilty of a
misdemeanor and punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both,
as provided in 46-18-212.

22 Section 13. Severability. If a part of this act is 23 invalid, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid 24 part remain in effect. If a part of this act is invalid in 25 one or more of its applications, the part remains in effect 1 in all valid applications that are severable from the

2 invalid applications.

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## STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. 132-81

# FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received <u>January 19</u>, 19, 81, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for Senate Bill 156 \_\_\_\_\_ 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

Senate Bill 156 provides new legislation creating a Montana Dairy Marketing Committee and specifies committee powers and duties.

### Assumptions

- 1. This act will be effective July 1, 1981.
- 2. Funding sources for this act will be derived from assessments levied milk producers.
- The assessment levied is 1/2 of 1% on first sale of milk with provisions for 3. refunds.
- 4. That requests for refunds to be 1% of assessment value levied.
- The Governor appoints 5 committee members to meet at least every three months. 5.
- The meetings will encompass  $1\frac{1}{2}$  days for each member for each meeting. 6.
- That the committee requests agency to be recipient and disburser of assessment 7. funds.
- 8. The department will assist in adoption of rules, collections, enforcement, activities, and contract review.
- 9. Two FTE will be required to administer the act.

Revenue Impact	FY 1982	FY 1983
<sup>1</sup> <sub>2</sub> of 1% of \$30,800,000	\$154,000	\$154,000

### Fiscal Impact

Total Expenditures of Proposed Law		
Personal Services	\$ 42,052	\$ 42,052
Operations	106,408	110,408
Equipment	4,000	0
Refunds	1,540	1,540
	\$154,000	\$154,000

### Fund Information

Earmarked Fund

expenditures.

\$154,000

The net effect of this measure is \$0 because the additional revenues collected will be offset by additional

BUDGET DIRECTOR Office of Budget and Program Planning Date: 1-21-81

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2	SENATE BILL 156
3	Senate Agriculture, Livestock and Irrigation Committee
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5	A statement of intent is required for this bill because
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7	marketing committee for the administration of this act. It
8	is the intent of the legislature that the committee adopt
9	rules relating to the awarding of contracts and research
10	grants, and establish priorities, one of which should be
11	nutritional education. The committee should also prescribe
12	the form for applications for reports and refund
13	applications. The legislature intends that the rules
14	adopted by the committee be primarily procedural in nature
15	and govern the workings of the committee.
16	First adopted by the Senate Agriculture, Livestock and
17	Irrigation Committee on the 6th day of February, 1981.

#### 47th Legislature

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remainder of the unexpired term. Any committee member who
 discontinues producing milk in this state or who changes his
 residence to another district during his term of office
 shall forthwith cease to be a member of the committee.

5 (3) A list of nominees for appointment to the 6 committee may be submitted to the governor by any Montana 7 trade association, the membership of which is confined to 8 milk producers, provided that such list must be submitted at 9 least 45 days prior to [the effective date of this act] and 10 thereafter 45 days prior to the expiration of any member\*s 11 term.

12 (4) The committee is allocated to the department of
 agriculture for administrative purposes only, as provided in
 2-15-121.

15 Section 4. Compensation -- per diem. A member of the 16 committee is entitled to compensation of \$30 for each day he 17 is actually and necessarily engaged in the transaction of 18 official business, plus travel expenses as provided in 19 2-18-501 through 2-18-503, incurred while on official 20 business.

21 Section 5. Election of committee officers -- time of 22 meetings. At the first meeting and annually thereafter, the 23 committee shall elect a chairman, vice-chairman, and 24 secretary from among its members. The committee shall meet 25 at least once every 3 months and at such other times as

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1	called by the chairman or a majority of the members of the	
2	committee.	
3	Section 6. Powers of the committee. (1) The committee	
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5	(a) adopt rules necessary for the administration of	
6	{this act];	
7	(b) provide, through the department, for the	
8	enforcement of [this act];	
9	(c) engage in dairy research, education, advertising,	
10	promotion, and publicity;	
11	(d) attempt to find new markets for dairy products and	
12	their byproducts;	
13	(e) promulgate and publicize statistics and other	
14	reliable information showing the value of milk, cream, and	
15	dairy products for any purpose considered useful;	
16	(f) encourage the widespread national and	
17	international use of dairy products and byproducts produced	
18	in Montana;	
19	(g) investigate and participate in studies of the	
20	problems peculiar to the dairy producers in Montana;	
21	(h) anter into all contracts necessary or advisable in	
22	the furtherance of [this act]; sue and be sued; appoint-and	
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1 compensation; make use of all advertising means and methods 2 as the committee considers advisable and enter into 3 contracts and agreements for research and advertising within 4 and without the state; lease -- purchase y-and-own-real-or 5 personal-property-necessary-for-the-administration-of--fthis 6 actlt--prosecute-in-the-name-of-the-state-anv-sutt-or-action for--the--collection--of--the--assessment--provided--for--in 7 8 Fsection-71+ and 9 (i) accept grants, donations, and gifts from any 10 source to be expended for any or all purposes consistent with [this act]. 11 (2) The committee shall keep books, records, and 12 accounts of all its activities, which shall be public 13 records. 14 15 (3) None of the powers or duties provided in [this acc] permit participation in state or federal political 16

Section 7. Assessments -- refunds. (1) Beginning on 18 19 [the effective date of this act], there is assessed upon the 20 producer a levy of 1/2 of 1% of the gross dollar periodic 21 settlements for the sale of all milk and cream produced in 22 the state of Montana and sold or contracted for sale through 23 commercial channels, which assessment is due on or before 24 the time when the milk or cream is first sold or contracted 25 for sale in commercial channels. The assessment shall be

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paid by the first purchaser or producer-handler to the
 department of-agriculture not later than the 25th day of the
 month next succeeding the month in which the milk or cream
 is sold or contracted for sale in commercial channels.

5 (2) If a purchaser or a producer-handler fails to 6 remit any money so collected or fails to make deductions for 7 assessments, a penalty of 20% shall be added to the amount 8 of any assessments that are unpaid when due, and the penalty 9 shall be paid by the purchaser or producer-handler.

10 (3) The assessment constitutes a lien prior to all
11 other liens and encumbrances upon the milk or cream, except
12 liens that are given priority by a statute of this state.

13 (4) A producer may obtain a refund of assessments paid 14 under [this act] for the prior calendar guarter upon 15 submission of a written, verified request to the committee. 16 The request must be filed with the committee on or before 17 the close of the 40th day following the close of the calendar quarter and must be accompanied by the original 18 19 statements received by the producer from the purchaser at 20 the times of settlement.

21. , Section & Rucchaser's statements. (1) The purchaser
22. or the producer-handler at the time of each settlement shall
23. make and deliver separate statements for each purchase to
24. the producer, and these statements shall be delivered at the
25. time of each monthly or bimonthly payment date.

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1 (2) The statements shall be on forms and in such 2 numbers as prescribed and approved by the committee and 3 shall include at least the following:

4 (a) the names and addresses of the producer and
 5 purchaser or producer-handler;

(b) the dollar value of the milk and cream sola;

7 (c) the amount of the assessment collected in
8 accordance with [this act]; and

9 (d) the date of the purchase.

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i0 (3) The statements shall be legibly written or typed
and shall be free of any corrections or erasures on the face
thereof.

13 (4) Any person who alters any part of any statement is
14 guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction shall be
15 punjshed as provided by [section 12].

16 Section 9. Dairy products research and marketing ' 17 account. [1] There is an account in the federal and private 18 revenue fund known as the dairy products research and 19 marketing account. The following shall be placed in the 20 account:

21 (a) the proceeds of all assessments and penalties22 collected under [this act]; and

(b) the proceeds from all gifts, grants, and donations
 to the department of-agriculture for activities authorized
 under [this act].

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1 (2) The dairy products research and marketing 2 committee account shall be maintained for the purposes of 3 [this act] and shall be separate from all other accounts of 4 the department.

5 (3) The committee may be assessed costs by the 6 department only---for--those--services--requested--by--the 7 committee FOR THE SERVICES IT PROVIDES UPON REQUEST OF THE 8 <u>DEPARTMENT OR PURSUANT TO 2-15-121. HOWEVER, THE COST</u> 9 <u>CHARGED MUST HAVE A SUBSTANTIAL RELATIONSHIP TO THE COST</u> <u>UF</u> 10 <u>THE SERVICES PROVIDED</u>.

11 Section 10. Inspection of records. The committee 12 through its authorized agents may enter and inspect the 13 premises and records of any dealer or producer-handler for 14 the purpose of enforcing [this act].

Section 11. Contracts for research, promotion, and marketing. The committee may not set up research units or agencies of its own but shall cooperate and may enter into contracts with lawful and proper local, state, or national organizations, public or private, in carrying out all phases of research, education, promotion, advertising, and marketing contemplated by [this act].

22 Section 12. Violations -- penalty. Any person 23 violating any provision of [this act] is guilty of a 24 misdemeanor and punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, 25 as provided in 46-18-212. 1 Section 13. Severability. If a part of this act is 2 invalid, all valid parts that are severable from the invalid 3 part remain in effect. If a part of this act is invalid in 4 one or more of its applications, the part remains in effect 5 in all valid applications that are severable from the 6 invalid applications.

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HOUSE COMMITTEE ON AGRICULTURE on March 18, 1981
reports that SENATE BILL 156 shall:
Be amended in the 3rd reading copy as follows:
1. Page 8, line 17.
Following: "account"
Insert: "--appropriation--assessment of costs"
2. Page 9.
Following: line 4
Insert: (3) The balance of the proceeds received under
the provisions of this part are appropriated to the
committee for the purposes of carrying out the provision
of [this act].
Renumber: subsequent subsection

BE CONCURRED IN AS AMENDED 3/18/81