HOUSE BILL NO. 491

INTRODUCED BY DOZIER, WILLIAMS

IN THE HOUSE January 25, 1983 Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government. February 14, 1983 Committe recommend bill do pass. Seport adopted. Bill printed and placed on members' desks. February 15, 1983 Second reading, do pass. February 16, 1983 Considered correctly engrossed. February 17, 1983 Third reading, passed. Transmitted to Senate. IN THE SENATE Introduced and referred to February 18, 1983 Committee on Local Government. March 18, 1983 Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted. March 22, 1983 Second reading, concurred in. Third reading, concurred in. March 24, 1983 Ayes, 36; Noes, 12. IN THE HOUSE March 24, 1983 Returned to House. March 25, 1983 Sent to enrolling. Reported correctly enrolled.

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5 7-5-2145, MCA, TO PROVIDE FOR PAYMENT OF EXPENSES OF COUNTY 6 ASSESSORS ATTENDING MEETINGS AND CONVENTIONS."

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
 Section 1. Section 7-5-2145, MCA, is amended to read:

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STATE OF MONTANA

250-83 REQUEST NO.

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

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In compliance with a written request received <u>January 27</u>, 19 <u>83</u>, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 491 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:

House Bill 491 amends Section 7-5-2145, MCA, to provide for payment of expenses of county assessors attending meetings and conventions.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact upon state government.

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE OR EXPENDITURES:

This proposal would have minimal impact upon counties. It is common practice for counties to reimburse county assessors for travel once per year to the Helena Convention. The average cost of reimbursement per county is \$280, assuming per diem, lodging, and mileage allowance are the same as that allowed state officials. Existing statutes, however, only imply county assessors are entitled such reimbursement. House Bill 491 formally adds county assessors to the list of county officials already entitled to reimbursement for travel to annual conventions.

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BUDGET DIRECTOR Office of Budget and Program Planning Date: 2 - 1 - 83

Approved by Comm. on Local Government

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