

HOUSE BILL NO. 138

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1 House BILL NO. 138
 2 INTRODUCED BY Jay
 3 BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT
 4 OF LABOR AND INDUSTRY
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6 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO CHANGE THE
 7 INSPECTION INTERVAL FOR LOW PRESSURE BOILERS FROM 1 YEAR TO
 8 2 YEARS; AMENDING SECTION 50-74-209, MCA."
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10 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

11 Section 1. Section 50-74-209, MCA, is amended to read:

12 "50-74-209. Required inspection intervals. (1) All
 13 boilers must be inspected at least once in every year
 14 except:

15 (a) boilers exempt under provisions of 50-74-103; and

16 (b) low-pressure steam heating boilers not exceeding
 17 15 pounds per square inch gauge pressure and low-pressure
 18 hot water heating boilers not exceeding 160 pounds per
 19 square inch gauge pressure, both of which must be inspected
 20 at least once every 2 years.

21 (2) Upon written application, longer inspection
 22 intervals may be authorized by the division.

23 (2)(3) In addition to the ~~annual~~ inspection
 24 requirements listed in subsection (1), it is the duty of the
 25 inspectors to examine at proper times, when in their opinion

1 such examination is necessary, all such boilers ~~as--shall~~
 2 that have become unsafe from any cause and to notify the
 3 owner or the person using such boilers of any defect and
 4 what repairs are necessary to render them safe."

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STATE OF MONTANA
FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST NO. FNN 081-85

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received January 11, 19 85, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for H.B. 138 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:

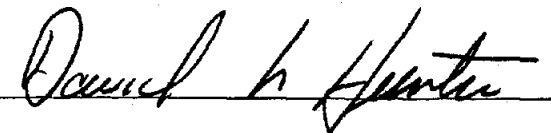
House Bill 138 changes the inspection interval for low-pressure boilers from one year to two years.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. There are approximately 1200 state-insured boilers that must be inspected annually under current law.
2. Approximately 13% of all boilers are high-pressure boilers.
3. Average number of boiler inspections per full-time inspector is 380-400.
4. There are approximately 300 boilers which must be checked to determine if they are state-insured. This could add to the required number of inspections.

FISCAL IMPACT ON STATE SPECIAL REVENUES:

This bill reduces the number of required boiler inspections. The current staff is not able to meet the current boiler inspection requirements. If this legislation is passed, the workload would be reduced so that current staff is adequate and there would be no fiscal impact.



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