HOUSE BILL NO. 759

INTRODUCED BY LORY, QUILICI, CONNELLY, GAGE, KEATING, STIMATZ

BY REQUEST OF THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE

IN THE HOUSE

February	9, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Business and Labor.
February	11, 1985	Fiscal Note requested.
February	13, 1985	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
February	14, 1985	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February	15, 1985	Fiscal Note returned.
February	16, 1985	Second reading, do pass.
February	18, 1985	Considered correctly engrossed.
February	19, 1985	Third reading, passed.
		Transmitted to Senate.

IN THE SENATE

February 21, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Business and Industry.
March 18, 1985	On motion, taken from Committee on Business and Industry and rereferred to Committee on Finance and Claims. Motion adopted.

March 26, 1985

Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.

March 29, 1985

Second reading, concurred in.

March 30, 1985

Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 28; Noes, 22.

Returned to House.

IN THE HOUSE

March 30, 1985

Received from Senate.

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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25	in subsection (b) below) and other charter documents,

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- 12 the commissioner pursuant to Title 33 and the rules adopted
- 13 thereunder must be deposited in the insurance regulatory
- 14 trust account pursuant to [sections 2 through 4]."
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- 17 account within the state special revenue fund designated
- 18 "insurance regulatory trust account" to which must be
- 19 credited all fees and miscellaneous and examination charges,
- 20 but not fines or penalties or those amounts received
- 21 pursuant to 33-2-311, 33-2-705, or 33-2-706, collected by
- 22 the insurance commissioner pursuant to Title 33 and the
- 23 rules adopted thereunder.
- 24 (2) The money so received and deposited in the
- 25 insurance regulatory trust account may be paid out of the

- treasury only on appropriation made by the legislature as
- 2 provided in 17-8-101 and must be used only to defray the
 - expenses of the insurance commissioner and his staff in the
- 4 discharge of their administrative and regulatory powers and
- 5 duties as prescribed by law, subject to the applicable laws
- 6 relating to the appropriations of state funds and to the
 - deposit and expenditure of state money. The commissioner is
- 8 responsible for the proper expenditure of this money as
- 9 provided by law.
- 10 (3) Any cash balance remaining in the insurance
- 11 regulatory trust account after all current fiscal year
- 12 expenditures are met must be transferred to the general
- 13 fund.

- 14 NEW SECTION. Section 3. Insurance regulatory trust
- 15 account investment. (1) It is the responsibility of the
- 16 insurance commissioner, charged with the administration of
- 17 the insurance regulatory trust account, to make such money
- 18 available for investment as fully as is consistent with the
- 19 cash requirements of the fund and to authorize investment of
- 20 such money by the board of investments pursuant to Title 17,
- 21 chapter 6, part 2.
- 22 (2) At least monthly, and more often if circumstances
- 23 require, the insurance commissioner shall notify the board
- 24 of investments of the amount available for investment, and
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NEW SECTION. Section 4. Insurance regulatory trust account deficiency. Whenever there exists in the insurance regulatory trust account a deficiency that would render the account insufficient to meet the insurance department funding requirements, the state treasurer may order a transfer of money from another fund in order to meet the deficiency without resorting to the necessity of borrowing money and paying interest thereon. The fund from which any money is transferred must be repaid the amount transferred from it not later than the end of the fiscal year in which such transfer is made, the date of repayment to be specified in the order of the state treasurer.

NEW SECTION. Section 5. Appropriation and use of money -- transition period. Nothing in [sections 2 through 4] prevents continuing the practice of paying any of the direct or indirect expenses incurred by the insurance commissioner, including but not limited to those involving

l salaries, retirement, social security, and state-paid

2 insurance premiums of state officers and employees, or any

3 other expenses by appropriations from the general fund.

4 However, the general fund must be reimbursed for any such

5 payments made on or after the effective date of this act.

Such reimbursements and any money transferred to the

7 insurance regulatory trust account in connection with the

8 initial funding of the insurance regulatory trust account

9 must be repaid by transfer from the insurance regulatory

10 fund to the general fund no later than the end of the next

ll fiscal year.

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12 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Codification instruction.

13 Sections 2 through 4 are intended to be codified as an

integral part of Title 17, chapter 2, and the provisions of

15 Title 17, chapter 2, apply to sections 2 through 4.

16 NEW SECTION. Section 7. Extension of authority. Any

17 existing authority of the commissioner of insurance to make

18 rules on the subject of the provisions of this act is

extended to the provisions of this act.

20 NEW SECTION. Section 8. Effective date. This act is

21 effective July 1, 1985.

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STATE OF MONTANA

FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST NO. FNN 389-85

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received February 11, 19 85, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for H.B. 759 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 759 creates a state special revenue account for funding the operation of the Insurance Division of State Auditor's Office. All fees, examination charges and miscellaneous charges collected by the Division are to be deposited in the state special revenue account.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1) All fees, examination and miscellaneous charges collected under Title 33, MCA, except fines or penalties or those amounts received pursuant to 33-2-311, 33-2-705, 33-2-706, MCA, must be deposited in the "insurance regulatory trust account."
- 2) All monies received in the state special revenue fund designated as the "insurance regulatory trust account" may be paid out of the treasury only as an appropriation by the legislature.
- 3) Monies appropriated by the legislature out of the insurance regulatory trust account will be used to support direct and indirect operating expenses of the commissioner and his staff.
- 4) Any cash balance remaining in the insurance regulatory trust account after all current fiscal year expenditures are met must be transferred to the general fund.

BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date

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FISCAL IMPACT:

	Fiscal	Year 1986	Fiscal	Year 1987
	Current Law	Proposed Law	Current Law	Proposed Law
Revenue:				
General Fund	\$ 19,500,000	\$ 18,200,000	\$ 19,500,000	\$ 18,200,000
State Special Revenue	-0-	1,300,000	-0-	1,300,000
Total	\$ 19,500,000	\$ 19,500,000	\$ 19,500,000	\$ 19,500,000
Expenditures:				
General Fund	\$ 670,466	\$ -0-	\$ 676,681	\$ -0-
State Special Revenue	-0-	670,466	-0-	676,681
Total	\$ 670,466	\$ 670,466	\$ 676,681	\$ 676,681

Although there is no net fiscal impact on the general fund, the balance of funds in the state special revenue fund, after appropriation, does not revert to the general fund until the end of the fiscal year and is therefore not available for appropriation in other areas.

APPROVED BY COMM. ON BUSINESS AND LABOR

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- deposit and expenditure of state money. The commissioner is
 - responsible for the proper expenditure of this money as
- provided by law.
- 10 (3) Any cash balance remaining in the insurance 11 regulatory trust account after all current fiscal year 12 expenditures are met must be transferred to the general
- 13 fund.

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- 16 insurance commissioner, charged with the administration of
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- 19 cash requirements of the fund and to authorize investment of
 - such money by the board of investments pursuant to Title 17,
- 21 chapter 6, part 2.
- 22 (2) At least monthly, and more often if circumstances
- require, the insurance commissioner shall notify the board 23
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 - the money must be invested by the board of investments

- pursuant to Title 17, chapter 6, part 2. Such notification
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- salaries, retirement, social security, and state-paid
- 2 insurance premiums of state officers and employees, or any
- 3 other expenses by appropriations from the general fund.
- 4 However, the general fund must be reimoursed for any such
- 5 payments made on or after the effective date of this act.
- 6 Such reimbursements and any money transferred to the
- 7 insurance regulatory trust account in connection with the
- 8 initial funding of the insurance regulatory trust account
- 9 must be repaid by transfer from the insurance regulatory
- 10 fund to the general fund no later than the end of the next
- 11 fiscal year.
- 12 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Codification instruction.
- 13 Sections 2 through 4 are intended to be codified as an
- 14 integral part of Title 17, chapter 2, and the provisions of
- 15 Title 17, chapter 2, apply to sections 2 through 4.
- 16 NEW SECTION. Section 7. Extension of authority. Any
- 17 existing authority of the commissioner of insurance to make
- 18 rules on the subject of the provisions of this act is
- 19 extended to the provisions of this act.
- 20 NEW SECTION. Section 8. Effective date. This act is
- 21 effective July 1, 1985.

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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 759
2	INTRODUCED BY LORY, QUILICI, CONNELLY,
3	GAGE, KEATING, STIMATZ
4	BY REQUEST OF THE INSURANCE DEPARTMENT OF
5	THE STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE
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7	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT PROVIDING AN INSURANCE
8	REGULATORY TRUST ACCOUNT WITHIN THE STATE SPECIAL REVENUE
9	FUND TO PROVIDE FUNDING FOR THE OPERATIONS OF THE INSURANCE
10	DEPARTMENT OF THE STATE AUDITOR'S OFFICE ON THE BASIS OF
11	FEES AND EXAMINATION AND MISCELLANEOUS CHARGES COLLECTED BY
12	THE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING THAT TAXES, FINES, AND PENALTIES
13	COLLECTED BY THE DEPARTMENT MUST BE DEPOSITED INTO THE
14	GENERAL FUND; AMENDING SECTION 33-2-708, MCA; AND PROVIDING
15	AN EFFECTIVE DATE."
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17	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
18	Section 1. Section 33-2-708, MCA, is amended to read:
19	"33-2-708. Fees and licenses. (1) The commissioner
20	shall collect in advance and the persons so served shall so
21	pay to the commissioner the following fees and licenses:
22	(a) certificates of authority:
23	(i) for filing applications for original certificates
24	of authority, articles of incorporation (except original
25	articles of incorporation of domestic insurers as provided

1	in subsection (b) below) and other charter documents,
2	bylaws, financial statement, examination report, power of
3	attorney to the commissioner, and all other documents and
4	filings required in connection with such application and for
5	issuance of an original certificate of authority, if issued:
6	(A) domestic insurers \$ 30.00
7	(B) foreign insurers 300.00
8	(ii) annual continuation of certificate of authority
9	300.00
10	(iii) reinstatement of certificate of authority
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12	(b) articles of incorporation:
13	(i) filing original articles of incorporation of
14	domestic insurer, exclusive of fees required to be paid by
15	the corporation to the secretary of state 20.00
16	(ii) filing amendment of articles of incorporation,
17	domestic and foreign insurers, exclusive of fees required to
18	be paid to the secretary of state by a domestic
19	corporation 10.00
20	(c) filing bylaws or amendment thereto where
21	required 5.00
22	(d) filing annual statement of insurer, other than as
23	part of application for original certificate of authority
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25	(e) resident agent's license.



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1	(i) application for original license, including	1	(ii) annual renewal of license 5.0
2	issuance of license, if issued (life and/or disability)	2	(h) examination for license as agent or solicitor
3	10.00	3	each examination
4	(ii) application for original license, including	4	(i) surplus line agent's license;
5	issuance of license, if issued (other than life and/or	5	(i) application for original license and for issuance
6	disability) 10.00	6	of license, if issued 25.0
7	(iii) appointment of agent, each insurer 10.00	7	(ii) annual renewal of license 25.0
8	(iv) annual renewal, each insurer 10.00	8	(j) adjuster's license:
9	(v) temporary license 10.00	9	(i) application for original license and for issuance
10	(vi) amendment of license (excluding additions thereto)	10	of license, if issued
11	or reissuance of master license	11	(ii) annual renewal of license 10.0
12	(f) nonresident agent's license:	12	(k) insurance vending machine license, each machine
13	(i) application for original license, including	13	each year 10.0
14	issuance of license, if issued (life and/or disability)	14	(1) commissioner's certificate under seal (except whe
15		15	on certificates of authority or licenses) 3.0
16	(ii) application for original license, including	16	(m) copies of documents on file in the commissioner'
17	issuance of license, if issued (other than life and/or	17	office, per page
18	disability) 100.00	18	(n) policy forms:
L9	(iii) appointment of agent, each insurer 10.00	19	(i) filing each policy form 25.0
20	(iv) annual renewal, each insurer 10.00	20	(ii) filing each application, rider, endorsement
21	(v) amendment of license (excluding additions thereto)	21	amendment, insert page, schedule of rates, and clarificatio
22	or reissuance of master license 10.00	22	of risks 10.0
23	(q) solicitor's license:	23	(iii) maximum charge if policy and all forms submitte
24	(i) application for original license, including	. 24	at one time or resubmitted for approval within 180 days
25	issuance of license, if issued 5.00	25	50.0

(2) The commissioner shall promptly deposit with the state treasurer to the credit of the general fund of this state all fees—and—licenses—received—by-him-under-this section fines and penalties and those amounts received pursuant to 33-2-311, 33-2-705, and 33-2-706 collected by him pursuant to Title 33 and the rules adopted thereunder.

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- (3) All fees are considered fully earned when received. In the event of overpayment, only those amounts in excess of \$10 will be refunded.
- charges, except fines or penalties or those amounts received pursuant to 33-2-311, 33-2-705, or 33-2-706, collected by the commissioner pursuant to Title 33 and the rules adopted thereunder must be deposited in the insurance regulatory trust account pursuant to [sections 2 through 4]."
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 - (2) The money so received and deposited in the

- insurance regulatory trust account may be paid out of the treasury only on appropriation made by the legislature as provided in 17-8-101 and must be used only to defray the expenses of the insurance commissioner and his staff in the discharge of their administrative and regulatory powers and duties as prescribed by law, subject to the applicable laws relating to the appropriations of state funds and to the deposit and expenditure of state money. The commissioner is responsible for the proper expenditure of this money as provided by law.
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