# HOUSE BILL NO. 800

# INTRODUCED BY HARP, DEVLIN, M. WILLIAMS

BY REQUEST OF THE HOUSE TAXATION COMMITTEE

IN THE HOUSE

February	11,	1984	Introduced and referred to Committee on Taxation.
February	12,	1985	Committee recommend bill do pass. Report adopted.
			Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February	13,	1985	On motion, consideration passed until 34th Legislative Day.
February	14,	1985	Second reading, do pass.
			Considered correctly engrossed.
February	15,	1985	Third reading, passed.
			Transmitted to Senate.
		IN TH	E SENATE
February	16,	1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on State Administration.
March 12,	198	5	Fiscal Note requested.
March 14,	198	5	Fiscal Note returned.
March 15,	198	35	Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
March 21,	198	5	Second reading, concurred in.

March 23, 1985

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Third reading, concurred in. Ayes, 49; Noes, 0.

Returned to House.

IN THE HOUSE

March 25, 1985

Received from Senate.

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

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FISCAL NOTE

REQUEST NO. FNN 514-85

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received <u>March 12</u>, <u>19</u><u>85</u>, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for <u>H.B. 800</u> 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 800 requires that state agency financial records and reports be prepared in accordance with generally accepted accounting principles.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The fiscal year-end adjustment period is extended long enough to enable campuses and vo-techs to review their accounts in order to make adjustments to SBAS to be in conformity with GAAP.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

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BUDGET DIRECTOR Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: March HB 800

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