HOUSE BILL NO. 908

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1	HOUSE BILL NO. 908							
2	INTRODUCED BY Keenan							
3	BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF REVENUE							
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5	A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT TO CHANGE THE MONTANA							
6	CORPORATE LICENSE OR INCOME TAX RATE; AMENDING SECTION							
7	15-31-121, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN APPLICABILITY DATE AND AN							
8	IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE."							
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10	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:							
11	Section 1. Section 15-31-121, MCA, is amended to read:							
12	"15-31-121. Rate of tax minimum tax. (1) The							
13	percentage of net income to be paid under 15-31-101 for the							
14	taxable period shall be 6-3/4%-of-all-net-income-for-the							
15	taxable-periodThe-rate-set-forth-inthispartshallbe							
16	effectivefor-all-taxable-years-ending-on-or-after-Pebruary							
17	28,-1971:-This-rate-is-retroactive-to-and-effective-forall							
18	taxableyearsending-on-or-after-February-207-1971- at the							
19	following rates:							
20	(a) on the first \$25,000 of net income, 5 1/4%;							
21	(b) on net income from \$25,001 through \$50,000,							
22	6 3/4%;							
23	(c) on any net income in excess of \$50,000, 8%.							
24	(2) Every corporation subject to taxation under this							
25	part shall, in any event, pay a minimum tax of not less than							

1	\$50."
2	NEW SECTION. Section 2. Extension of authority. Any
3	existing authority of the department of revenue to make
4	rules on the subject of the provisions of this act is
5	extended to the provisions of this act. Rulemaking may begin
6	upon passage and approval.
7	NEW SECTION. Section 3. Applicability. This act
8	applies to taxable years beginning on or after July 1, 1985.
9	NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. This act is
10	effective on passage and approval.

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FISCAL NOTE

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In compliance with a written request received February 23, 19 85, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for House Bill 908 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:

An act to change the Montana corporate license or income tax rate; amending Section 15-31-121, MCA; and providing an applicability date and an immediate effective date.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Corporation license tax revenues will be \$51,357,000 in FY1986 and \$55,380,000 in FY1987 under current law.
- 2. The proposed tax schedule applied to actual FY1984 data increases total tax revenue \$4,990,153.
- 3. The estimated increase in each year of the 1987 biennium is equal to the proportion of estimated revenue under current law to actual FY1984 revenue (\$35,396,240) times the actual 1984 calculated increase.

FISCAL IMPACT:

		FY 1986			FY 1987	
	Under	Under	Estimated	Under	Under	Estimated
	Current Law	Proposed Law	Increase	Current Law	Proposed Law	Increase
Corporation License Tax	51,357,000	54,979,000	1,811,000	55,380,000	63,188,000	7,808,000
Total Revenue	51,357,000	54,979,000	1,811,000	55,380,000	63,188,000	7,808,000
Fund Information:					•	
General Fund	29,957,000	32,070,000	1,056,500	32,304,000	36,858,000	4,554,000
Foundation Program	11,702,000	12,527,000	412,500	12,619,000	14,398,000	1,779,000
Debt Service Account	5,149,000	5,512,000	181,500	5,552,000	6,335,000	783,000
Local Government	4,549,000	4,870,000	160,500	4,905,000	5,597,000	692,000

TECHNICAL OR MECHANICAL DEFECTS OR CONFLICTS WITH EXISTING LEGISLATION:

Approximately half of all corporations have a taxable year that coincides with the calendar year. Because the proposed legislation applies to taxable years that begin on or after July 1, 1985, only about half of the annual impact will be felt in FY1986. If the intent is to make the proposed legislation fully applicable to FY1986, the applicability clause should provide for application to taxable years beginning after December 31, 1984.

BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

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