

SENATE BILL NO. 142  
INTRODUCED BY HALLIGAN

IN THE SENATE

January 19, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Local Government.
January 21, 1985	Fiscal Note requested.
January 25, 1985	Fiscal Note returned.
February 21, 1985	Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted.
February 22, 1985	Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
February 23, 1985	Second reading, do pass as amended.
February 25, 1985	Correctly engrossed. Third reading, passed. Ayes, 29; Noes, 19. Transmitted to House.

IN THE HOUSE

February 27, 1985	Introduced and referred to Committee on Taxation.
March 27, 1985	Committee report bill with no recommendation.
March 30, 1985	Second reading, pass consideration.
April 1, 1985	Second reading, concurred in as amended.

April 1, 1985 Third reading, concurred in.  
Returned to Senate with amendments.

IN THE SENATE

April 1, 1985 Received from House.

April 4, 1985 Second reading, amendments concurred in.

April 8, 1985 Third reading, amendments concurred in. Ayes, 37; Noes, 12.  
Sent to enrolling.

April 9, 1985 On motion, SB No. 142 taken from enrolling and placed on second reading.

April 10, 1985 Second reading, amendments not concurred in. Ayes, 46; Noes, 4.

April 12, 1985 On motion, Conference Committee requested and appointed.

April 17, 1985 Conference Committee dissolved.  
On motion, Free Conference Committee requested and appointed.

April 19, 1985 Free Conference Committee reported.

April 20, 1985 New Fiscal Note requested.

April 22, 1985

New Fiscal Note returned.

Second reading, Free  
Conference Committee report  
adopted.

Third reading, Free Conference  
Committee report adopted.

April 23, 1985

Free Conference Committee  
report adopted by House.

April 24, 1985

Sent to enrolling.

Reported correctly enrolled.

1 *Senate* BILL NO. 142  
 2 INTRODUCED BY *Wallygan*  
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 5 LIEU OF TAX ON LIGHT VEHICLES; PROVIDING THAT THE INCREASED  
 6 REVENUE BE USED, CONTINGENT ON PASSAGE AND APPROVAL OF  
 7 SENATE BILL NO. 25, TO FUND CRIMINAL EXPENSES OF DISTRICT  
 8 COURTS; AMENDING SECTIONS 61-3-509 AND 61-3-533, MCA; AND  
 9 PROVIDING A DELAYED EFFECTIVE DATE."

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 25 second quarter of the year prior to the year of licensing to

1 the PCE for the second quarter of 1981; and

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14 passed and approved, including section 1 of Senate Bill No.  
15 25, which lists the district court expenses to be assumed by  
16 the state.

17 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. This act is  
18 effective January 1, 1986.

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STATE OF MONTANA

REQUEST NO. FNN 162-85

FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request received January 22, 19 85, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for S.B. 142 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 increasing the fee in lieu of tax on light vehicles; providing that the increased revenue be used, contingent on passage and approval of Senate Bill 25, to fund criminal expenses of District Courts.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. The number of taxable motor vehicles registered in the state (approximately 650,000 in 1984 according to reimbursement records) will remain constant over FY 1986 and FY 1987.
2. The new law will affect all light motor vehicles licensed and registered in the state for FY 1986 and FY 1987.
3. Only fifty percent of the additional fees will be collected in FY 86 due to the January 1, 1986 effective date.

FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>Under</u> <u>Current Law</u>	<u>FY 86</u> <u>Under</u> <u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Estimated</u> <u>Increase</u>	<u>Under</u> <u>Current Law</u>	<u>FY 87</u> <u>Under</u> <u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Estimated</u> <u>Increase</u>
General Fund						
District Court						
Criminal Expenses	-0-	\$ 1,625,000	\$ 1,625,000	-0-	\$ 3,250,000	\$ 3,250,000

*David L Hunter*

BUDGET DIRECTOR  
Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: JAN 25, 1985  
S.B. 142

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EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE:

The state will fund the following district court expenses in criminal cases only:

- a) salaries of court reporters
- b) transcripts of proceedings
- c) witness fees and necessary expenses
- d) juror fees
- e) indigent defense
- f) psychiatric examinations

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Future revenue will depend on the number of light motor vehicles licensed in the state.

STATE OF MONTANA  
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REVISED  
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Form BD-15

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DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act to increase vehicle fees to provide funding for district court expenses detailed in Senate Bill 25.

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1. The number of taxable motor vehicles registered in the state (approximately 650,000 in 1984 according to reimbursement records) will remain constant over FY 1986 and FY 1987.
2. The new law will affect all light motor vehicles licensed and registered in the state for FY 1986 and FY 1987.
3. This note assumes that Senate Bill 25 will be the District Court grant in aid program because of the state assumption of costs itemized in Senate Bill 25.
4. Expenditures for District Court operations are based on the FY 1985 salary level for District Judges and 4% inflation on FY 1984 base operating expenses. These expenses are the same as those used in the Fiscal Note (FNN 019-85) concerning Senate Bill 25. The expense assumed for grants to counties was reduced to the level presently reflected in House Bill 500.

FISCAL IMPACT:

General Fund:

Expenses:

	<u>Under</u>	<u>FY 86</u>	<u>Estimated</u>	<u>Under</u>	<u>FY 87</u>	<u>Estimated</u>
	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Under</u>	<u>Increase</u>	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Under</u>	<u>Increase</u>
		<u>Proposed Law</u>			<u>Proposed Law</u>	
Personal Services	\$2,005,255	\$2,713,310	\$ 708,055	\$2,005,255	\$2,713,310	\$ 708,055
Operating Expense	150,636	2,457,954	2,307,318	150,636	2,457,954	2,307,318
Capitol Outlay	-0-	17,760	17,760	-0-	-0-	-0-
Grants to Counties	<u>1,375,000</u>	<u>1,375,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>1,375,000</u>	<u>-0-</u>	<u>[1,375,000]</u>
TOTAL	\$3,530,891	\$6,564,024	\$3,033,133	\$3,530,891	\$5,171,264	\$1,640,373

*David L. Hunter*

BUDGET DIRECTOR

Office of Budget and Program Planning

Date: April 22, 1985



Revenues:

<u>Amount Generated:</u>	<u>FY 1986</u>	<u>FY 1987</u>	<u>Biennium</u>
at \$3 increase/vehicle as approved by House	\$1,948,398	\$1,948,398	\$3,896,796
at \$5 increase/vehicle as approved by Senate	\$3,247,330	\$3,247,330	\$6,494,660
at \$7/\$5/\$2.50 as approved by free conference committee	\$2,643,099	\$2,643,099	\$5,286,199

NOTE: In preparing the fiscal note the costs assumed for District Courts were held constant from FY86 to FY87.  
If District Court costs increase then additional funds will be necessary to fully fund the responsibilities of Senate Bill 25.

APPROVED BY COMM.  
ON LOCAL GOVERNMENT

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HOUSE

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE AMENDMENT

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3-29-85  
DATE

11:25  
TIME

MR. CHAIRMAN: I MOVE TO AMEND Senate Bill No. 142

third reading copy ( blue ) as follows:  
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1. Title, line 10.  
Following: "AN"  
Insert: "APPLICABILITY DATE, AN"  
Following: "DATE"  
Insert: ", AND A TERMINATION DATE"

2. Page 2, line 1.  
Strike: "\$5"  
Insert: "\$3"

3. Page 2, line 12.  
Strike: "(3)"  
Insert: "(2)"

4. Page 2, line 19.  
Strike: "\$75"  
Insert: "\$73"  
Strike: "\$95"  
Insert: "\$93"

5. Page 2, line 21.  
Strike: "45"  
Insert: "43"  
Strike: "55"  
Insert: "53"

6. Page 2, line 22.  
Strike: "15"  
Insert: "13"  
Strike: "20"  
Insert: "18"

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7. Page 2, lines 23 through 25 and page 3, lines 1 through 8.  
Strike: subsection (2) in its entirety.  
Renumber: subsequent subsection.

8. Page 3, line 11.  
Strike: "\$10"  
Insert: "\$8"

9. Page 3, lines 18 and 19.  
Following: "date"  
Strike: remainder of lines 18 and 19.  
Insert: "-- applicability data -- termination date."  
(1) This act is effective July 1, 1985, and applies to light vehicles registered on or after July 1, 1985.  
(2) This act terminates July 1, 1987."

KMF

ADOPT

REJECT

Rep. Gilbert  
Rep. Gilbert Chairman.

XADOPT  
XREJECT

CONTINUED

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~~(2)--(a)-The--fee-for-a-light-vehicle-is-determined-by-(i)--multiplying-the-appropriate-dollar-amount-from-the~~



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21 DATE -- TERMINATION DATE. (1) THIS ACT IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
22 1985, AND APPLIES TO LIGHT VEHICLES REGISTERED ON OR AFTER  
23 JULY 1, 1985.

24 (2) THIS ACT TERMINATES JULY 1, 1987.

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# CONFERENCE COMMITTEE REPORT

Report No. 1

APR 18, 19 85

MR. SPEAKER

We, your \_\_\_\_\_ FREE \_\_\_\_\_ Conference Committee on  
 \_\_\_\_\_ SENATE BILL NO. 142, reference copy, salmon, \_\_\_\_\_  
 met and considered \_\_\_\_\_, on April 18, SENATE BILL NO. 142 in its  
 \_\_\_\_\_ entirety. \_\_\_\_\_  
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We recommend as follows:

That SENATE BILL NO. 142 be amended as follows:

1. Page 2, line 2.

Following: "\$5"

Strike: "\$3"

Insert: "the fee for district courts"

2. Page 2, line 20.

Strike: "\$73"

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Insert: "12.50"

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And that this Conference Committee report be adopted.

FOR THE SENATE

Michael Halligan

HALLIGAN

Thomas E. Tow

TOWE

Edward Severson

SEVERSON

FOR THE HOUSE

Bob Raney

RANEY

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GILBERT

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SWITZER

John Williams

ADOPT REJECT

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 11 the Survey of Current Business by the Bureau of Economic  
 12 Analysis of the United States Department of Commerce;  
 13             (3) (2) The light vehicle license fee for disabled  
 14 veterans qualifying under the provisions of 10-2-301 through  
 15 10-2-304 is \$5 ~~\$10~~ \$8."  
 16             NEW SECTION. Section 3. Coordination instruction. The  
 17 bracketed language in subsection (2) of section 1 is  
 18 effective only if this act and Senate Bill No. 25 are both  
 19 passed and approved, including section 1 of Senate Bill No.  
 20 25, which lists the district court expenses to be assumed by  
 21 the state.  
 22             NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date: ~~This act is~~  
 23 ~~effective January 1, 1986~~ JULY 1, 1985 -- APPLICABILITY  
 24 DATE -- TERMINATION DATE. (1) THIS ACT IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1,  
 25 1985, AND APPLIES TO LIGHT VEHICLES REGISTERED ON OR AFTER

1             JULY 1, 1985.  
 2             (2) THIS ACT TERMINATES JULY 1, 1987.  
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