HB 5 INTRODUCED BY SWIFT, SEVERSON TO APPROPRIATE MONEY FROM THE COAL TAX TRUST FUND TO SCHOOL EQUALIZATION

6/16 INTRODUCED

6/16 REFERRED TO APPROPRIATIONS

6/17 HEARING

6/25 TABLED IN COMMITTEE

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT APPROPRIATING MONEY FOR FISCAL YEAR 1987 FROM THE COAL SEVERANCE TAX BOND FUND OF THE COAL SEVERANCE TAX TRUST FUND FOR STATE EQUALIZATION AID TO THE PUBLIC SCHOOLS; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE

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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

11 Section 1. Appropriation. Subject to the provisions of 12 17-5-703(2) relating to principal and interest payments on 13 bonds, there is appropriated from the coal severance tax 14 bond fund of the coal severance tax trust fund, 25% or \$22,500,000, whichever amount is greater, of receipts 15 deposited from July 1, 1986, to June 30, 1987, to the state 16 special revenue fund for state equalization aid as defined 17 18 in 20-9-343.

Section 2. Three-fourths vote required. Since this act appropriates money from the coal severance tax trust fund, Article IX, section 5, of the Montana Constitution requires a vote of three-fourths of the members of each house for passage.

24 Section 3. Effective date. This act is effective on 25 passage and approval.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

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In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for HB005, as introduced.

Description of Proposed Legislation:

A bill appropriating money for Fiscal Year 1987 from the coal severance tax bond fund of the coal severance tax trust fund for state equalization aid to the public schools.

Assumptions:

- 1. The Revenue Estimating Advisory Council's revenue estimate as adjusted for Western Energy's reduced production provides the basis for comparison.
- 2. Coal severance tax collections will be \$76,742,000 in FY87.
- The proposal has no effect on collections.

Fiscal Impact:

N/A

Expenditures:

N/A

Revenues:

The proposal would provide for a one-time transfer of \$22,500,000 from the coal severance tax trust fund to the state special revenue fund for state equalization aid.

	FY87 Current Law	FY87 Proposed Law	FY87 Difference
Permanent Trust Fund	\$28,340,000	\$11,465,000	(\$16,875,000)
In-State Investment Fund	9,447,000	3,822,000	(5,625,000)
State Equalization Fund	-0-	22,500,000	22,500,000
Total	\$37,787,000	\$37,787,000	-0-

Long-Range Effects of Proposed Legislation:

The proposal would reduce future interest earnings from the Coal Severance Tax Trust fund as a consequence of reducing the Trust principal by \$22,500,000.

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Fiscal Note for HB5, as introduced.