SENATE BILL NO. 7

INTRODUCED BY VAN VALKENBURG

BY REQUEST OF THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

IN THE SENATE

June	18,	1986		Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
June	20,	1986		Committee recommend bill do pass as amended. Report adopted.
June	21,	1986		Bill printed and placed on members' desks.
				Second reading, do pass as amended.
				Third reading, passed. Ayes, 42; Noes, 8.
				Transmitted to House.
			IN THE	E HOUSE
June	21,	1986		Introduced and referred to Committee on Judiciary.
June	24,	1986		Committee recommend bill be concurred in. Report adopted.
June	25,	1986		Second reading, concurred in.
				Third reading, concurred in.
				Returned to Senate.
			IN TH	E SENATE
June	25,	1986		Received from House.
				Sent to enrolling.
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BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

Section 1. Section 7-4-2502, MCA, is amended to read: "7-4-2502. Payment of salaries of county officials and assistants. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the salaries of the county officers and their assistants may be paid monthly, twice monthly, or every 2 weeks out of the general fund of the county and upon the order of the board of county commissioners.

(2) (a) The salaries of the county attorney and deputy county attorneys authorized by 7-4-2703 are payable monthly. with the salaries salary of the county attorney and-no--more than--two-deputies payable one-half from the general fund of the county and the other one-half from the state treasury upon the warrant of the state auditor. Such-salaries-for



1 the-deputy-county-attorneys-include-the-longevity--increases provided-by-7-4-2503(3)(d):

(b) The county commissioners of each county shall, within 30 days after the election or appointment to fill a vacancy for any cause in the office of county attorney or within-30-days-after-the--appointment--of--a--deputy--county attorney--authorized--by--7-4-2703, certify the election or appointment to the state auditor, who shall thereafter draw warrants for such salary in the same manner as for state officers. In case of a vacancy, the county commissioners shall immediately notify the state auditor, and the auditor shall compute the salary due on the basis of the notification.

(3) The board has jurisdiction and power, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to fix the compensation of all county officers not otherwise fixed by law and to provide for the payment of the same."

Section 2. Section 46-18-236, MCA, is amended to read: "46-18-236. Imposition of charge upon conviction or forfeiture -- administration. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), there must be imposed by all courts of original jurisdiction on a defendant upon his conviction for conduct made criminal by state statute or upon forfeiture of bond or bail a charge that is in addition to other taxable court costs, fees, or fines, as follows:

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(a) \$10 in each misdemeanor case; and

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- (b) the greater of \$20 or 10% of the fine levied in each felony case.
- (2) If a convicting court determines under 46-18-231 and 46-18-232 that the defendant is not able to pay the fine and costs or that he is unable to pay within a reasonable time, the court must waive payment of the charge imposed by this section.
- 9 (3) The charge imposed by this section is not a fine 10 and may not be used in determining the jurisdiction of any 11 court.
 - (4) The total of the charge imposed by this section and any fine assessed may not exceed the maximum fine authorized by law for the offense.
 - (5) The charges collected under subsection (1) must be deposited with the appropriate local government finance officer or treasurer. If a city municipal court or city or town court is the court of original jurisdiction, the charges collected under subsection (1) must be deposited with the city or town finance officer or treasurer. If a justice's court or district court is the court of original jurisdiction, the charges collected under subsection (1) must be deposited with the county finance officer or treasurer.
 - (6) On--or--before--the--10th--day--of-each-month; -the

- county-finance-officer-or-treasurer-shall-remit-to-the-state
 treasurer-for-deposit-to-the-state-general-fund-\$10-for-each
 misdemeanor-case-and-the-greater-of-\$20-or-10%-of--the--fine
 tevied-in-each-felony-case--A-county-may-retain-up-to-10%-of
 the--funds-remitted-to-the-state-treasurer-to-cover-only-the
 costs-of-administering-this--section- (a) A city or town
 finance officer or treasurer may retain the charges
 collected under subsection (1) by a city municipal court or
 a city or town court and may use that money for the payment
 of salaries of the city or town attorney and his deputies.

 (b) Each county finance officer or treasurer may
- retain the charges collected under subsection (1) by
 district or justices' courts for crimes committed or alleged
 to have been committed within that county. The county
- 15 finance officer or treasurer shall use the money for the
- 16 payment of salaries of its deputy county attorneys, or if
- the county has no deputy county attorneys, for the payment
- 18 of other salaries."
- 19 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 3. Effective date. This act is
- 20 effective July 1, 1986.

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Form BD-15

In compliance with a written request, there is hereby submitted a Fiscal Note for SB007, as introduced

Description of Proposed Legislation:

SB007 is an act revising the distribution of the charge imposed on a person convicted of a criminal offense or who forfeits bond or bail; making deputy county attorneys' salaries payable from county funds; amending sections 7-4-2502 and 46-18-236 MCA; and providing an effective date.

Assumptions:

- 1. The revenue estimate is taken from the Revenue Estimating Advisory Council published in May 1986.
- 2. The expenditure estimate is based on the actual FY86 payroll for deputy county attorneys (including benefits), and includes a 2.5% pay raise for FY87 salaries.

Fiscal Impact:			FY87		
	Current Law]	Proposed Law	Difference	
Expenditures	·	· ·			
General Fund	\$721,165	\$	-0-	(\$ 721,165)	
Revenue	1/2 000		•	(1/2 000)	
General Fund	142,000		-0-	(142,000)	
Reduced General Fund	Expenditures		*	(<u>\$ 579,165)</u>	

Affect on County or Other Local Revenue or Expenditures:

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	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference
Expenditures General Fund	\$721,165	\$1,442,330	\$ 721,165*
Revenue General Fund	-0-	142,000	142,000**

Net Impact on County General Fund (Maximum)

\$ 579,165

*Legislation being considered by the June Special Session to freeze the salaries of local officials including deputy county attorneys would reduce the cost to local government.

BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE
Office of Budget and Program Planning

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Fiscal Note for

SB007 as introduced.

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**FY87 revenues will probably exceed \$142,000. The revenue estimate developed by the Revenue Estimating Advisory Council was based on data through March, 1986. April collections of fines and surcharges was higher than historic monthly calculations and if fine collections were to continue at that level, annual revenues would be higher than \$142,000.

SB007 transfers payment of the state share of deputy county attorneys' salaries and benefits to counties and transfers retention of revenues from fines and surcharges imposed on convicted defendants from the state to the counties.

Long-Range Effects of Proposed Legislation:

The Long-Range effects of SB7 will depend on salary levels approved by county commissioners and collections of fines and surcharges by District Court Judges and Justices of the Peace.

Technical or Mechanical Defects in Proposed Legislation or Conflicts With Exiting Legislation: None noted.

APPROVED BY COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY

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8	DEPUTY COUNTY ATTORNEYS' SALARIES PAYABLE FROM COUNTY FUNDS;
9	AMENDING SECTIONS 7-4-2502, 46-9-301, AND 46-18-236, MCA;
10	AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE."
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12	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
L3	Section 1. Section 7-4-2502, MCA, is amended to read:
L 4	"7-4-2502. Payment of salaries of county officials and
15	assistants. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the
16	salaries of the county officers and their assistants may be
17	paid monthly, twice monthly, or every 2 weeks out of the
18	general fund of the county and upon the order of the board
19	of county commissioners.
20	(2) (a) The salaries of the county attorney and deputy
21	county attorneys authorized by 7-4-2703 are payable monthly,
22	with the salaries salary of the county attorney and no-more
23	than-two-deputies payable one-half from the general fund of
24	the county and the other one-half from the state treasury
16	upon the warrant of the state auditor. Suchsateriesfor

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3	(b)	The	county	commissioners	of	each	county	shall

- within 30 days after the election or appointment to fill a vacancy for any cause in the office of county attorney or within-30-days-after-the-appointment-of-a-deputy-county attorney-authorized-by-7-4-2703, certify the election or appointment to the state auditor, who shall thereafter draw warrants for such salary in the same manner as for state officers. In case of a vacancy, the county commissioners shall immediately notify the state auditor, and the auditor shall compute the salary due on the basis of the notification.
- 14 (3) The board has jurisdiction and power, under such
 15 limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to
 16 fix the compensation of all county officers not otherwise
 17 fixed by law and to provide for the payment of the same."

18 SECTION 2. SECTION 46-9-301, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ: 19 "46-9-301. Determining the amount of bail. In all 20 cases that bail is determined to be necessary, bail must be 21 reasonable in amount and the amount shall be:

- (1) sufficient to ensure the presence of the defendantin a pending criminal proceeding;
- 24 (2) sufficient to assure compliance with the 25 conditions set forth in the bail;

SECOND READING

l	(3)	sufficient	to	protect	any	person	from	bodily
2	injury;							

- 3 (4) not oppressive;
- 4 (5) commensurate with the nature of the offense 5 charged;
- 6 (6) considerate of the financial ability of the 7 accused:
- 8 (7) considerate of the defendant's prior record;
- 9 (8) considerate of the length of time the defendant 10 has resided in the community and of his ties to the 11 community:
- 12 (9) considerate of the defendant's family
 13 relationships and ties; and
- 14 (10) considerate of the defendant's employment status $\tau_{\underline{j}}$ 15 and
- 16 (11) sufficient to include the charge imposed in
 17 46-18-236."
- Section 3. Section 46-18-236, MCA, is amended to read: 18 "46-18-236. Imposition of charge upon conviction or 19 forfeiture -- administration. (1) Except as provided in 20 subsection (2), there must be imposed by all courts of 21 original jurisdiction on a defendant upon his conviction for 22 any conduct made criminal by state statute or upon 23 forfeiture of bond or bail a charge that is in addition to 24 other taxable court costs, fees, or fines, as follows: 25

- 1 (a) \$10 in FOR each misdemeanor case CHARGE; and
- 2 (b) the greater of \$20 or 10% of the fine levied in 3 FOR each felony case CHARGE.
- 4 (2) If a convicting court determines under 46-18-231 5 and 46-18-232 that the defendant is not able to pay the fine 6 and costs or that he is unable to pay within a reasonable 7 time, the court must waive payment of the charge imposed by 8 this section.
- 9 (3) The charge imposed by this section is not a fine
 10 AND MUST BE IMPOSED IN ADDITION TO ANY FINE and may not be
 11 used in determining the jurisdiction of any court.
- 12 (4)--The--totai--of--the-charge-imposed-by-this-section
 13 and-any-fine--assessed--may--not--exceed--the--maximum--fine
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- 16 <u>(4) WHEN THE PAYMENT OF A FINE IS TO BE MADE IN</u>
 16 <u>INSTALLMENTS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME, THE CHARGE IMPOSED BY</u>
 17 <u>THIS SECTION MUST BE COLLECTED FROM THE FIRST PAYMENT MADE</u>
 18 <u>AND EACH SUBSEQUENT PAYMENT AS NECESSARY IF THE FIRST</u>
 19 PAYMENT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE CHARGE.
 - (5) The charges collected under subsection (1) must be deposited with the appropriate local government finance officer or treasurer. If a city municipal court or city or town court is the court of original jurisdiction, the charges collected under subsection (1) must be deposited with the city or town finance officer or treasurer. If a

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MEANING OF TITLE 7, CHAPTER 3, THE CHARGES COLLECTED UNDER
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- 2 payment of other salaries IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
- 3 ATTORNEY."
- 4 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. This act is
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12	BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:
13	Section 1. Section 7-4-2502, MCA, is amended to read:
14	"7-4-2502. Payment of salaries of county officials and
15	assistants. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), the
16	salaries of the county officers and their assistants may be
17	paid monthly, twice monthly, or every 2 weeks out of the
18	general fund of the county and upon the order of the board
19	of county commissioners.
20	(2) (a) The salaries of the county attorney and deputy
21	county attorneys authorized by 7-4-2703 are payable monthly,
22	with the salaries salary of the county attorney and-no-more
23	than-two-deputies payable one-half from the general fund of

the county and the other one-half from the state treasury

upon the warrant of the state auditor. Such--salaries--for

2	provided-by-7-4-2583 (3) (d)-
3	(b) The county commissioners of each county shall,
4	within 30 days after the election or appointment to fill a
5	vacancy for any cause in the office of county attorney or
6	within30daysaftertheappointment-of-a-deputy-county
7	attorney-authorized-by-7-4-2703, certify the election or
8	appointment to the state auditor, who shall thereafter draw
9	warrants for such salary in the same manner as for state
10	officers. In case of a vacancy, the county commissioners
11	shall immediately notify the state auditor, and the auditor
12	shall compute the salary due on the basis of the
13	notification.
14	(3) The board has jurisdiction and power, under such

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5	charged;
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7	accused;
8	(7) considerate of the defendant's prior record;
9	(8) considerate of the length of time the defendant
10	has resided in the community and of his ties to the
11	community;
12	(9) considerate of the defendant's family
13	relationships and ties; and
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17	46-18-236."
18	Section 3. Section 46-18-236, MCA, is amended to read:
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20	forfeiture administration. (1) Except as provided in
21	subsection (2), there must be imposed by all courts of
22	original jurisdiction on a defendant upon his conviction for
23	any conduct made criminal by state statute or upon
24	forfeiture of bond or bail a charge that is in addition to

1	(a) \$10 in FOR each misdemeanor case CHARGE; and
2	(b) the greater of \$20 or 10% of the fine levied $\pm n$
3	FOR each felony case CHARGE.
4	(2) If a convicting court determines under 46~18-231
5	and 46-18-232 that the defendant is not able to pay the fine
6	and costs or that he is unable to pay within a reasonable
7	time, the court must waive payment of the charge imposed by
8	this section.
9	(3) The charge imposed by this section is not a fine
10	AND MUST BE IMPOSED IN ADDITION TO ANY FINE and may not be
11	used in determining the jurisdiction of any court.
12	<pre>{4}Thetotalofthe-charge-imposed-by-this-section</pre>
13	and-any-fineassessedmaynotexceedthemaximumfine
14	authorized-by-law-for-the-offense-
15	(4) WHEN THE PAYMENT OF A FINE IS TO BE MADE IN
16	INSTALLMENTS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME, THE CHARGE IMPOSED BY
17	THIS SECTION MUST BE COLLECTED FROM THE FIRST PAYMENT MADE
18	AND EACH SUBSEQUENT PAYMENT AS NECESSARY IF THE FIRST
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20	(5) The charges collected under subsection (1) must be

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- (6) On-or-before-the-10th-day-of-each-monthy-the county-finance-officer-or-treasurer-shall-remit-to-the-state treasurer-for-deposit-to-the-state-general-fund-910-for-each misdemeanor-case-and-the-greater-of-920-or-10%-of-the-fine levied-in-each-felony-case-A-county-may-retain-up-to-10%-of the-funds-remitted-to-the-state-treasurer-to-cover-only-the costs-of-administering-this-section: (a) A city or town finance officer or treasurer may retain the charges collected under subsection (1) by a city municipal court or a city or town court and may use that money for the payment of salaries of the city or town attorney and his deputies.
- (b) Each county finance officer or treasurer may retain the charges collected under subsection (1) by district or justices' courts for crimes committed or alleged to have been committed within that county. The county finance officer or treasurer shall use the money for the payment of salaries of its deputy county attorneys, --or--if

- 1 the--county--has--no--deputy--county--attorneys, AND for the
- 2 payment of other salaries IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY
- 3 ATTORNEY, AND ANY FUNDS NOT NEEDED FOR SUCH SALARIES MAY BE
- 4 USED FOR THE PAYMENT OF ANY OTHER COUNTY SALARIES."
- 5 <u>NEW SECTION.</u> Section 4. Effective date. This act is
- 6 effective July 1, 1986.

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18	general fund of the county and upon the order of the board
19	of county commissioners.
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 - (3) The board has jurisdiction and power, under such limitations and restrictions as are prescribed by law, to fix the compensation of all county officers not otherwise fixed by law and to provide for the payment of the same."
- SECTION 2. SECTION 46-9-301, MCA, IS AMENDED TO READ: 18 "46-9-301. Determining the amount of bail. In all 19 cases that bail is determined to be necessary, bail must be 20 reasonable in amount and the amount shall be: 21
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- (2) sufficient to assure compliance with 24 conditions set forth in the bail; 25

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- (8) considerate of the length of time the defendant

 10 has resided in the community and of his ties to the

 11 community;
- 12 (9) considerate of the defendant's family
 13 relationships and ties; and
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- 16 (11) sufficient to include the charge imposed in 46-18-236."
- Section 3. Section 46-18-236, MCA, is amended to read: 18 19 "46-18-236. Imposition of charge upon conviction or 20 forfeiture -- administration. (1) Except as provided in subsection (2), there must be imposed by all courts of 21 original jurisdiction on a defendant upon his conviction for 22 any conduct made criminal by state statute or upon 23 forfeiture of bond or bail a charge that is in addition to 24 25 other taxable court costs, fees, or fines, as follows:

- 1 (a) \$10 in FOR each misdemeanor case CHARGE; and
- 2 (b) the greater of \$20 or 10% of the fine levied in 3 FOR each felony case CHARGE.
- 4 (2) If a convicting court determines under 46-18-231
 5 and 46-18-232 that the defendant is not able to pay the fine
 6 and costs or that he is unable to pay within a reasonable
 7 time, the court must waive payment of the charge imposed by
 8 this section.
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 10 AND MUST BE IMPOSED IN ADDITION TO ANY FINE and may not be
 11 used in determining the jurisdiction of any court.
- 12 (4)--The--total--of--the-charge-imposed-by-this-section
 13 and-any-fine--assessed--may--not--exceed--the--maximum--fine
 14 authorized-by-law-for-the-offense-
 - (4) WHEN THE PAYMENT OF A FINE IS TO BE MADE IN

 INSTALLMENTS OVER A PERIOD OF TIME, THE CHARGE IMPOSED BY

 THIS SECTION MUST BE COLLECTED FROM THE FIRST PAYMENT MADE

 AND EACH SUBSEQUENT PAYMENT AS NECESSARY IF THE FIRST

 PAYMENT IS NOT SUFFICIENT TO COVER THE CHARGE.
 - (5) The charges collected under subsection (1) must be deposited with the appropriate local government finance officer or treasurer. If a city municipal court or city or town court is the court of original jurisdiction, the charges collected under subsection (1) must be deposited with the city or town finance officer or treasurer. If a

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justice's court or district court is the court of original
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MITHIN A CONSOLIDATED CITY-COUNTY GOVERNMENT WITHIN THE
MEANING OF TITLE 7, CHAPTER 3, THE CHARGES COLLECTED UNDER
SUBSECTION (1) MUST BE DEPOSITED WITH THE FINANCE OFFICER OR
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- (6) On-or-before-the-10th--day--of--each--month; --the county-finance-officer-or-treasurer-shall-remit-to-the-state treasurer-for-deposit-to-the-state-general-fund-\$10-for-each misdemeanor--case--and-the-greater-of-\$20-or-10%-of-the-fine levied-in-each-felony-case; -A-county-may-retain-up-to-10%-of the-funds-remitted-to-the-state-treasurer-to-cover-only--the costs--of--administering--this--section; (a) A city or town finance officer or treasurer may retain the charges collected under subsection (1) by a city municipal court or a city or town court and may use that money for the payment of salaries of the city or town attorney and his deputies.
- (b) Each county finance officer or treasurer may retain the charges collected under subsection (1) by district or justices' courts for crimes committed or alleged to have been committed within that county. The county finance officer or treasurer shall use the money for the payment of salaries of its deputy county attorneys or if the

- 1 county-has-no-deputy-county-attorneys, AND for the payment
- of other salaries IN THE OFFICE OF THE COUNTY ATTORNEY, AND
- 3 ANY FUNDS NOT NEEDED FOR SUCH SALARIES MAY BE USED FOR THE
- 4 PAYMENT OF ANY OTHER COUNTY SALARIES."
- 5 NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date. This act is
- 6 effective July 1, 1986.

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