# HOUSE BILL NO. 259

## INTRODUCED BY WINSLOW

# BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF ADMINISTRATION

## IN THE HOUSE

JANUARY 17, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION.
JANUARY 28, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
JANUARY 29, 1987	PRINTING REPORT.
JANUARY 30, 1987	ON MOTION, CONSIDERATION PASSED FOR THE DAY.
JANUARY 31, 1987	ON MOTION, TAKEN FROM SECOND READING AND REREFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS.
MARCH 18, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 19, 1987	PRINTING REPORT.
MARCH 20, 1987	SECOND READING, DO PASS.
MARCH 21, 1987	ENGROSSING REPORT.
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 91; NOES, 4.
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.
IN 2	THE SENATE
MARCH 23, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON STATE ADMINISTRATION.
MARCH 26, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.
MARCH 28, 1987	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

MARCH 30, 1987

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THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 42; NOES, 7.

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MARCH 31, 1987

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16 (6) The provisions of this section shall not be17 construed as affecting the validity of 5-2-301.

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- 3 effective June 30, 1987.

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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 HB259, as introduced.

### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act to reimburse persons in state service for taxes charged for in-state lodging; amending Section 2-18-501, MCA; and providing an effective date.

#### ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Room tax is 4%.

2. In-state travel will not increase or decrease significantly from FY86 actual.

3. 5% of all lodging reimbursements are non-receipt.

FISCAL IMPACT:	<u>FY88</u>	<u>FY89</u>
Additional Costs:	\$ 83,741	\$ 83,741
Funding Sources:		н. 1. с.
General Fund	\$ 17,586	\$ 17,586
All Special Revenue Funds	36,846	36,846
Proprietary Fund	2,512	2,512
Universities	26,797	26,797
TOTAL	\$ 83,741	\$ 83,741

Because no appropriation is made there will be reduced travel by state employees.

DAVID L. HUNTER, BUDGET DIRECTOR / Office of Budget and Program Planning

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We, your	Free	Conference Committee or
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