# HOUSE BILL NO. 301

# INTRODUCED BY RAPP-SVRCEK, GOULD, PINSONEAULT, HALLIGAN, HANNAH, VAN VALKENBURG, SANDS

## IN THE HOUSE

JANUARY 20, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.	
FEBRUARY 10, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL DO PASS. REPORT ADOPTED.	
FEBRUARY 11, 1987	PRINTING REPORT.	
FEBRUARY 12, 1987	SECOND READING, DO PASS.	
FEBRUARY 13, 1987	ENGROSSING REPORT.	
	THIRD READING, PASSED. AYES, 84; NOES, 6.	
	TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.	
	IN THE SENATE	
FEBRUARY 16, 1987	INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY.	
MARCH 7, 1987	COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.	
MARCH 12, 1987	SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.	
'MARCH 14, 1987	THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN. AYES, 50; NOES, 0.	
	RETURNED TO HOUSE.	
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MARCH 14, 1987	RECEIVED FROM SENATE.	
	SENT TO ENROLLING.	

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

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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 HB301, as introduced.

#### DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act to change the definition of the offense of negligent vehicular assault and to create the offenses of negligent endangerment and criminal endangerment; and amending section 45-5-205, MCA.

#### ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. One third of those convicted are sentenced to some prison term entailing at least one year and that twothirds are placed under field supervision.
- 2. An estimated 30 additional inmates for FY88 and 36 for FY89 at the Montana State Prison is assumed.
- 3. The field supervision caseload will increase by an estimated 62 cases in FY88 and 73 cases in FY89.
- 4. An average caseload per field officer of 90. The additional workload will require a .70 FTE Community Corrections Specialist in FY88 and .80 FTE in FY89.
- 5. Only variable operational costs and indirect costs are adjusted for the estimated additional inmates at Montana State Prison.
- 6. Inflation adjustment for operational increases reflect rates recommended in the Executive and LFA budget proposal.

#### FISCAL IMPACT:

Expenditures:	<u>FY88</u>	<u>FY89</u>
Personal Services	\$ 15,035	\$ 18,176
Operations	79,259	103,520
Total	\$ 94,294	\$121,696
Funding:		
General Fund	\$ 94,294	\$121,696

DATE BUDGET DIRECTOR

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

PAUL RAPP-SVRCEK, PRIMARY SPONSOR

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HB 301

50th Legislature

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-2- SECOND READING HB-301

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## ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Assume that section 1 and 3 of this proposed legislation deals with misdemeanors and that there is no state fiscal impact.
- 2. Section 2 of the proposed legislation entails a wide variety of offenses with an undeterminable fiscal impact.

FISCAL IMPACT:

Unknown.

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

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