

1 House BILL NO. 555
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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 HB555, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act authorizing the Board of Medical Examiners to establish a program for impaired physicians.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. Assume that the board will develop and carry out the program through use of contracted services costing \$59,630 in FY88 and \$56,630 in FY89.
2. Assume that the board's basic operation will be unchanged.
3. Assume the license fees will be increased to cover the costs of the proposed program. Based on 1,450 licensees, the cost will be \$41/person/year.

FISCAL IMPACT:

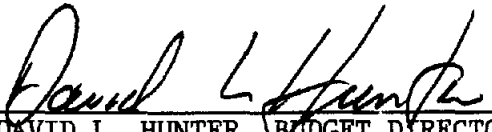
	FY88			FY89		
	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>						
Earmarked Revenue	\$ 179,627	\$ 239,257	\$ 59,630	\$ 179,269	\$ 235,899	\$ 56,630
<u>Revenues:</u>						
Earmarked Revenue	\$ 198,595	\$ 258,225	\$ 59,630	\$ 202,345	\$ 258,975	\$ 56,630
Biennium Difference			\$ 116,260			\$ 116,260


EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE OR EXPENDITURES:

There would appear to be no impact on local government.

TECHNICAL OR MECHANICAL DEFECTS IN PROPOSED LEGISLATION OR CONFLICTS WITH EXISTING LEGISLATION:

None apparent.

 DATE 2/3/87
 DAVID L. HUNTER, BUDGET DIRECTOR
 Office of Budget and Program Planning

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 JACK SANDS, PRIMARY SPONSOR

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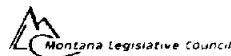
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