SB 106 INTRODUCED BY HALLIGAN REQUIRING GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO CARRY FIREARMS

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A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT REQUIRING GROSS VEHICLE WEIGHT ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS TO CARRY FIREARMS PROVIDED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF HIGHWAYS; AMENDING SECTIONS 61-12-203 AND 61-12-204, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE FOR RULEMAKING AUTHORITY ONLY."

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

Section 1. Section 61-12-203, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-12-203. Official attire required for making arrests and-carrying-firearms. Qualified employees may make arrests throughout the state only when dressed in official uniform and displaying the official badge authorized by the department. Authorized-employees-may-not-carry-firearms unless-officially-attired."

Section 2. Section 61-12-204, MCA, is amended to read:

"61-12-204. Identification badge and uniform.

Employees of the department engaged in the enforcement of this part shall wear and prominently display an identification badge or device with the employee's name and title shown on the identification badge or device. The department may shall authorize uniform dress for department employees engaged in such enforcement."



NEW SECTION. Section 3. Authorized employees to carry firearms. Employees appointed under 61-12-201, when attired and identified as required in 61-12-203 and 61-12-204 and when engaged in the enforcement of the provisions of the statutes enumerated in 61-12-206, shall carry firearms.

NEW SECTION. Section 4. Department of highways to furnish equipment. The department of highways shall furnish all employees appointed under 61-12-201 with uniforms and equipment necessary for the performance of their duties. Any such uniforms and equipment remain the property of the state of Montana.

NEW SECTION. Section 5. Department of highways to adopt rules. The department of highways shall adopt rules necessary for the implementation of [sections 3 and 4].

NEW SECTION. Section 6. Codification instruction.

Sections 3 and 4 are intended to be codified as an integral part of Title 61, chapter 12, part 2, and the provisions of Title 61, chapter 12, part 2, apply to sections 3 and 4.

NEW SECTION. Section 7. Effective date. This section and section 5, which requires the department of highways to adopt rules on the subject of this act, are effective on 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 SB106, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

Requiring Gross Vehicle Weight Enforcement officers to carry firearms provided by the Department of Highways.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- There are 95 GVW enforcement officers. 1.
- Officers would be trained initially, and recertified semi-annually. 2.
- The cost per officer will be \$304 for supplies including gun, glasses, holster, cleaning supplies and ear 3. protectors.
- Initial training costs (including per diem expenses) are estimated at \$18,315, with annual re-certification 4. expenses estimated at \$6,650.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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Operating Costs Equipment	\$26,960 25,225	\$ 6,650 0
Total Expenditures	\$52,185	\$ 6,650
Funding Source: Highway Special Revenue Account	\$ 52 , 185	\$ 6,650

Revenues:

N/A

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUE OR EXPENDITURES:

N/A

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

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

N/A

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