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1 House BILL NO. 122
 2 INTRODUCED BY Arnold W. Blum
 3 BY REQUEST OF THE DEPARTMENT OF FISH,
 4 WILDLIFE, AND PARKS

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 6 A BILL FOR AN ACT ENTITLED: "AN ACT ALLOWING NONMONETARY
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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 HB0122, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act allowing nonmonetary lease transactions by the Department of Fish, Wildlife & Parks in exchange for services rendered on the leased land.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. All lease-outs require commission authorization.
2. The only non-cash payment lease arrangements that will be acceptable are where some property use (grazing, farming, etc.) would be exchanged for services (labor). No leases will be approved which involve goods.
3. Services rendered from such arrangements may only be provided on the site where the value was derived.
4. Service payment lease transactions will only be approved if the activity directly relates to maintaining the site in its existing condition.

FISCAL IMPACT:

No fiscal impact.

David Lewis 1-13-93
DAVID LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE
Office of Budget and Program Planning

Shiell W. Anderson 1-13-93
SHIELL W. ANDERSON, PRIMARY SPONSOR DATE

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