SENATE BILL 261

Introduced by Doherty, et al.

1/26	Introduced
1/26	Referred to Natural Resources
1/26	First Reading
1/27	Fiscal Note Requested
2/02	Fiscal Note Received
2/03	Hearing
2/04	Fiscal Note Printed
2/09	Committee ReportBill Passed
2/12	2nd Reading Passed as Amended
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4	(iii) applying the approval criteria contained in
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8	locally adopted eligibility criteria adopted under
9	subsection (1)(b).
10	(3) In addition to the summary review procedures
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14	tract of land the separate existence of which is documented
15	by the existence of a conveyance or survey record in the
16	office of the county clerk and recorder on January 1, 1993.
17	(1)(a) The governing body must approve, conditionally
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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 <u>SB0261, as introduced.</u>

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION: An act revising the Montana Subdivision and platting act.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- 1. Changing the definition of "subdivision" in the Subdivision and Platting Act from parcels less than 20 acres to a division of land or land so divided that creates one or more parcels will result in an increase in the number of subdivisions subject to DHES review under the Sanitation in Subdivisions Act by approximately 1190 additional parcels per year during the next biennium.
- 2. The increase in subdivisions subject the DHES review is anticipated because land developers would no longer have an incentive to create parcels larger than 20 acres to avoid local planning review.
- 3. This anticipated increase in work load could likely be addressed by increased contracted services and increased grants to contracted local departments of health. The increased work load would be split equally between contracted services and local departments.
- 4. Revenue from subdivision review fees whould offset costs to the DHBS for the increased workload.
- 5. The DHES is having legislation introduced [LC914] that would create a state special revenue account and require that all fees collected would be deposited to this account. All subdivision costs then would be appropriated from this account.
- 6. The legislation in assumption number 6 will be passed. If not, then DHES will need a general fund appropriation for \$107,100 each year of the biennium.
- 7. No fiscal impact on the Montana Department of Commerce's expenditures or revenues.

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DAVID LEWIS, BUDGET DIRECTOR DATE Office of Budget and Program Planning

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FISCAL IMPACT: DHES

		<u>FY '94</u>			FY '95	
	Current Law	Proposed Law	Difference	Current Law	Proposed Law	<u>Difference</u>
Operating Expenses (contracts)	0	\$65,450	\$65,450	0	\$65,450	\$65,450
Grants to counties	0	<u>\$41,650</u>	\$41,650	_0	\$41,650	<u>\$41,650</u>
Total	0	\$107,100	\$107,100	0	\$107,100	\$107,100
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<u>Revenues:</u> Fees	0	\$107,100	\$107,100	0	\$107,100	\$107,100

<u>EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:</u> DHES - Reimbursements to local health departments under contract with DHES to provide review services would increase by \$41,650 under this scenario. COMMERCE - Passage would increase the numbers of land divisions that would be reviewed by Montana cities and most particularly Montana counties. Quantification of numbers and costs of these increased reviews is not available. Cities and counties have existing authority to charge fees to land developers to recover the costs of such subdivision reviews.

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION: DHES - Some long-term increase in subdivision applications to DHES is anticipated, but it would likely be less than the 25% increase projected for the next biennium.

TECHNICAL NOTES: This bill needs coordination with LC914 to fund subdivision activities.

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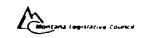
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15 acres-which--have--been segregated from the original tract,
16 and the <u>subdivision</u> plat thereof-shall must show all such
17 the parcels, whether contiguous or not."

18 Section 3. Section 76-3-207, MCA, is amended to read:

19 "76-3-207. Subdivisions exempted from review but 20 subject to survey requirements -- exceptions. (1) Except as 21 provided in subsection (2), unless the method of disposition 22 is adopted for the purpose of evading this chapter, the 23 following divisions of land are not subdivisions under this 24 chapter but are subject to the surveying requirements of 25 76-3-401 for divisions of land not amounting to

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1 subdivisions:

2 (a) divisions made outside of platted subdivisions for
3 the purpose of relocating common boundary lines between
4 adjoining properties;

5 (b)--divisions--made-outside-of-platted-subdivisions-for 6 the-purpose--of--a--gift--or--sale--to--any--member--of--the 7 landowner's-immediate-family;

8 (B) DIVISIONS MADE OUTSIDE OF PLATTED SUBDIVISIONS FOR 9 THE PURPOSE OF A GIFT OR SALE TO ANY MEMBER OF THE 10 LANDOWNER'S IMMEDIATE FAMILY:

outside of platted tettbt(C) divisions made 11 subdivisions by sale or agreement to buy and sell where when 12 the parties to the transaction enter a covenant running with 13 the land and revocable only by mutual consent of the 14 governing body and the property owner that the divided land 15 will be used exclusively for agricultural purposes; 16

17 (d)--s--single--division--of-a-parcel-outside-of-platted
18 subdivisions-when-the-transaction-is-an-occasional-sale;

19 (e)(c)(D) for five or fewer lots within a platted
20 subdivision, relocation of common boundaries and the
21 aggregation of lots; and

tf>td>(E) divisions made for the purpose of relocating
a common boundary line between a single lot within a platted
subdivision and adjoining land outside a platted
subdivision. Any--restrictions Restrictions or requirements

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on the original platted lot or original unplatted parcel
 continue to apply to those areas.

(2) Notwithstanding the provisions of subsection (1):

4 (a) within a platted subdivision filed with the county 5 clerk and recorder, any <u>a</u> division of lots which <u>that</u> 6 results in an increase in the number of lots or which <u>that</u> 7 redesigns or rearranges six or more lots must be reviewed 8 and approved by the governing body, and an amended plat must 9 be filed with the county clerk and recorder:

(b) any <u>a</u> change in use of the land exempted under
subsection (i)(e) (i)(c) for anything other than
agricultural purposes subjects the division to the
provisions of this chapter.

14 (3) No <u>A</u> division of land may not be made under this
15 section unless the county treasurer has certified that no
16 real property taxes assessed and levied on the land to be
17 divided are not delinguent."

18 Section 4. Section 76-3-609, MCA, is amended to read:

19 *76-3-609. Review procedure for minor subdivisions.
20 Subdivisions--containing--five-or-fewer-parcels-where-proper
21 access-to-all-lots-is-provided-and-in-which-no-land-is-to-be
22 dedicated-to-the-public-for-parks-or-playgrounds-are--to--be
23 reviewed--as-follows: (1) Local subdivision regulations must
24 include:
25 (a) procedures for the summary review and approval of

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1	minor subdivisions; and
2	(b) criteria for determining which minor subdivisions
3	are eligible for summary review.
4	(2) (a) The summary review procedures may waive
5	requirements for:
6	(i) holding a public hearing;
7	(ii) preparing an environmental assessment; or
8	(iii) applying the approval criteria contained in
9	76-3-608.
10	(b) The summary review procedures apply unless the
11	governing body determines that the subdivision fails to meet
12	locally adopted eligibility criteria adopted under
13	subsection (1)(b).
14	(3) In addition to the summary review procedures
15	adopted under subsection (1), the following provisions also
16	apply to the first minor subdivision from a tract of record.
17	For the purpose of this section, a "tract of record" is a
18	tract of land the separate existence of which is documented
19	by the existence of a conveyance or survey record in the
20	office of the county clerk and recorder on January 1, 1993.
21	<pre>tit(a) The governing body must approve, conditionally</pre>
22	approve, or disapprove the first-such subdivision from-a
23	tract-of-record within 35 days of the submission of an
24	application for <u>subdivision</u> approval thereof.
25	(2)(b) The governing body shall state in writing the

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1	conditions which that must be met if the subdivision is
2	conditionally approved or what local regulations would not
3	be met by the subdivision if it disapproves the subdivision.
4	(3)(C) The requirements for holding a public hearing
5	and preparing an environmental assessment shall do not apply
6	to the firstsuch subdivision createdfroma-tract-of
7	record.
8	<pre>t4;Subsequent-subdivisionsfromatractofrecord</pre>
9	shallbereviewedunder76-3-505-and-regulations-adopted
10	pursuant-to-that-section.
11	(4) (a) When a minor subdivision is proposed in an area
12	for which a master plan has been adopted pursuant to chapter
13	1 and the proposed subdivision will comply with the plan,
14	the subdivision is exempt from the approval criteria
15	contained in 76-3-608 but is subject to applicable zoning
16	regulations.
17	(b) In order for a master plan to serve as the basis
18	for the exemption provided by this subsection (4), the plan
19	must, at a minimum, contain housing, transportation, and
20	land-use elements and a discussion of physical constraints
21	on development that exist within the area encompassed by the
22	plan."
23	NEW SECTION. Section 5. Repealer. Section 76-3-505,
24	MCA, is repealed.

25 NEW SECTION. Section 6. Effective date. [This act] is

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