

HOUSE BILL NO. 14

INTRODUCED BY QUILICI
BY REQUEST OF THE BOARD OF CRIME CONTROL
AND THE OFFICE OF BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

IN THE HOUSE

NOVEMBER 29, 1993

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
ON APPROPRIATIONS.

FIRST READING.

DECEMBER 1, 1993

COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL
DO PASS AS AMENDED. REPORT ADOPTED.

DECEMBER 2, 1993

PRINTING REPORT.

DECEMBER 3, 1993

SECOND READING, DO PASS.

ENGROSSING REPORT.

THIRD READING, PASSED.
AYES, 83; NOES, 13.

TRANSMITTED TO SENATE.

IN THE SENATE

DECEMBER 4, 1993

INTRODUCED AND REFERRED TO COMMITTEE
ON FINANCE & CLAIMS.

FIRST READING.

DECEMBER 8, 1993

COMMITTEE RECOMMEND BILL BE
CONCURRED IN. REPORT ADOPTED.

DECEMBER 10, 1993

SECOND READING, CONCURRED IN.

THIRD READING, CONCURRED IN.
AYES, 45; NOES, 2.

RETURNED TO HOUSE.

IN THE HOUSE

DECEMBER 11, 1993

RECEIVED FROM SENATE.

SENT TO ENROLLING.

REPORTED CORRECTLY ENROLLED.

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the secretary of state that federal crime victims
compensation funds will not be awarded. The termination is
effective on the date of receipt of the certification by the
secretary of state.

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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 HB0014, as introduced.

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION: An act to establish a limit on the fund balance in the crime victims benefits account; requiring the transfer of at least \$250,000 to the general fund on or before March 31, 1994; and terminating the account balance limitation upon notification of the termination of federal crime victim benefits funds.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. A one-time residual equity transfer of \$250,000 will be made from the crime victims benefits account to the general fund prior to March 31, 1994.
2. The fund balance in the crime victims benefits account on March 31, 1994, after the \$250,000 transfer from the account, will be less than \$500,000.
3. The fund balance in the crime victims benefits account balance as of March 31, 1995, and subsequent years will not exceed \$500,000.
4. Federal crime victims benefit grant funds will be available to the state in FY95 and subsequent years but will not cause the fund balance in the account to exceed the limitation of \$500,000.
5. This bill will have no impact on expenditures for crime victims benefits or operating expenses.

FISCAL IMPACT:Revenues:

	<u>FY '94</u>			<u>FY '95</u>		
	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Current Law</u>	<u>Proposed Law</u>	<u>Difference</u>
General Fund transfers from crime victims benefits account (01)	0	250,000	250,000	0	0	0

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

None.

LONG-RANGE EFFECTS OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

None. It is assumed that the fund balance limitation imposed by this bill will not create annual transfers to the general fund.

David Lewis 11-24

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

JOE QUILICI, PRIMARY SPONSOR DATE
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