

House BILL NO. 140

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note for HB0140, as introduced

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act offering legislators the option of purchasing the Montana Code Annotated (MCAs) on CD-ROM format at a reduced cost instead of the printed MCAs.

ASSUMPTIONS:

1. A hard copy set of the MCAs costs about \$70. A legislator can buy the set for \$10, meaning that other purchasers currently subsidize the \$60 difference.
2. A CD-ROM copy of the MCAs would cost about \$2, and be sold to a legislator for that amount.

FISCAL IMPACT:

If a substantial number of legislators purchased CD-ROM copies of the MCAs that now purchase hard copy, the price for other purchasers may decrease minimally.

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