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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note for HB0524, as introduced

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act revising the population and economic well-being requirements to qualify as a resort community; and providing an immediate effective date.

ASSUMPTIONS:

- A community with a population of less than 5,500 would qualify as a "resort community".
- 2. A resort community must derive a major or secondary portion of its economic wellbeing related to current employment from businesses catering to the recreational and personal needs of persons traveling to or through the municipality for purposes not related to their income production.
- 3. The proposed bill does not change the rate or distribution of the current lodging facility use tax.

STATE FISCAL IMPACT:

None.

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

Communities meeting the definition of a resort community and adopting a local resort tax would realize an increase in revenues.

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

JEANETTE MCKEE, PRIMARY SPONSOR

Fiscal Note for HB0524, as introduced

HB 524

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SENATE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

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MR. PRESIDENT:

We, your committee on Taxation having had under consideration HB 524 (third reading copy -- blue), respectfully report that HB 524 be amended as follows and as so amended be concurred, in.

Signed: Jen Minfun Sénator Gerry Devlin, Chair

That such amendments read:

1. Title, lines 6 and 7.

Strike: "PROVIDING" on line 6 through "STORES" on line 7
Insert: "; EXCLUDING GOODS AND SERVICES SOLD FOR RESALE FROM THE
RESORT TAX; REQUIRING NOTICE PRIOR TO THE ELECTION OF THE
GOODS AND SERVICES SUBJECT TO THE RESORT TAX"

2. Title, line 8.

Strike: "AND" Insert: ","

Following: "7-6-4463"
Insert: ", AND 7-6-4464"
Following: "IMMEDIATE"
Insert: "AN IMMEDIATE"

3. Title, line 9. Strike: "DATES"
Insert: "DATE"

4. Page 2, line 6.

Strike: "or THE secondary"

5. Page 2, lines 11 through 25. Strike: section 2 in its entirety

Insert: "Section 2. Section 7-6-4463, MCA, is amended to read:

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(6)(7) The question of the imposition of a resort tax may not be placed before the electors more than once in any fiscal year.""

Renumber: subsequent section

6. Page 2, lines 27 and 28. Strike: "DATES" on line 27

Insert: "date"

Strike: "(1)" on line 27 through "ARE" on line 28

Insert: "[This act] is"

7. Page 2, lines 29 and 30.

Strike: subsection (2) in its entirety

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11	(ii) published at least once a week; and
12	(iii) published in the county where the election will take place.
13	(6)(7) The question of the imposition of a resort tax may not be placed before the electors more
14	than once in any fiscal year."
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16	NEW SECTION. Section 4. Effective date DATES DATE. [This set] is (1) [SECTION 1] AND THIS
17	SECTION ARE [THIS ACT] IS effective on passage and approval.
18	(2) [SECTION 2] IS EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 1995, IF HOUSE BILL NO. 674 IS PASSED AND
19	APPROVED. IF HOUSE BILL NO. 574 IS NOT PASSED AND APPROVED, THEN [SECTION 2] IS VOID.
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