

SENATE BILL NO. 242

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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note for SB0242, as amended

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act revising the membership of the Board of Horseracing; requiring that the Governor make immediate appointments to implement the revisions; and providing an immediate effective date.

ASSUMPTIONS:

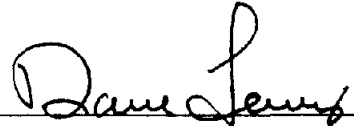
1. The bill has been amended to increase the size of the Board of Horseracing from five to seven.
2. The board anticipates meeting eight times during each fiscal year. Of the eight meetings, four are scheduled as two-day meetings and the balance will be one-day meetings.
3. In addition to the per diem and travel costs for the two new board positions, there will be increased operational costs.


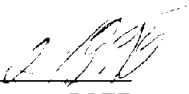
FISCAL IMPACT:

	<u>FY96</u>	<u>FY97</u>
	<u>Difference</u>	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Expenditures:</u>		
Personal Services	1,200	1,200
Operating Expenses	<u>3,992</u>	<u>3,992</u>
Total	5,192	5,192
Horse Racing SSR (02)	5,192	5,192
<u>Net Impact:</u>	(5,192)	(5,192)

EFFECT ON COUNTY OR OTHER LOCAL REVENUES OR EXPENDITURES:

The Board of Horse Racing will have to increase fees on local race tracks and licensees to offset the increased expenditures.

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

   
DELWYN GAGE, PRIMARY SPONSOR      DATE

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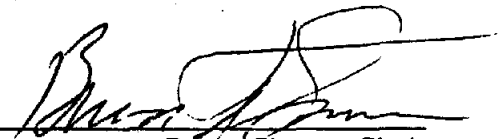
## HOUSE STANDING COMMITTEE REPORT

March 7, 1995

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Mr. Speaker: We, the committee on **Business and Labor** report that **Senate Bill 242** (third reading copy -- blue) **be concurred in as amended.**

Signed:

  
Bruce Simon, Chair

**Carried by: Rep. Tuss**

**And, that such amendments read:**

1. Page 1, line 17.

Following: "industry"

Insert: "and may not represent the same district as described in subsection (3)"

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Committee Vote:  
Yes 16, No 2.

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