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STATE OF MONTANA - FISCAL NOTE

Fiscal Note for HB0085, as introduced

DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED LEGISLATION:

An act specifying that the commissioner of political practices shall notify the secretary (state or the election administrator of noncompliance with campaign practice laws befor certain deadlines related to ballot certification.

ASSUMPTIONS:

There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the Commissioner of Political Practices.
There is no anticipated fiscal impact on the Office of the Secretary of State.

FISCAL IMPACT:

There is no fiscal impact to state government.

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