



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: **HB0418.01: Ban mRNA vaccines in Montana for animals**

Primary Sponsor: **Greg Kmetz**

Status: **As Introduced**

☐ Included in the Executive Budget

☐ Needs to be included in HB 2

☐ Significant Local Gov Impact

☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts

☐ Technical Concerns

☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

### **FISCAL SUMMARY**

	<b><u>FY 2026</u></b> <b><u>Difference</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2027</u></b> <b><u>Difference</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2028</u></b> <b><u>Difference</u></b>	<b><u>FY 2029</u></b> <b><u>Difference</u></b>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Revenues</b>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net Impact</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>General Fund Balance</b>				

### **Description of fiscal impact**

HB 418 prohibits both the administration of gene-based vaccines into animals and the importation of animals treated with or exposed to gene-based vaccines, providing a penalty for such actions. There is a cost to the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) for initial rulemaking.

### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **Assumptions**

##### **Department of Livestock**

1. Adding the new import restriction will not alter Livestock's budget, duties, or operational tempo.
2. HB 418 creates a \$500 fine for purposefully or knowingly prescribing or dispensing gene-based vaccines in animals.
3. Fines collected will be deposited into Department of Livestock's Animal Health Enterprise fund.
4. Any foreseeable revenue generated through fines is expected to be negligible.


##### **Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)**

5. The total rule making costs to the Board of Veterinary Medicine are estimated to be \$10,000.
6. The board will utilize the department legal services to complete the necessary revisions. Rule making costs include Secretary of State fees for rules proposals and adoption.
7. DLI anticipates a nominal number of complaints with potential for investigations. Costs can be covered by current resources within the department.

## Fiscal Analysis Table

## Department of Labor and Industry

	<u>FY 2026 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029 Difference</u>
<b><u>Fiscal Impact</u></b>				
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
Operating Expenses	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures</u></b>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Funding of Expenditures</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Revenues</b>	<b>\$10,000</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u></b>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

  
Sponsor's Initials

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