



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0040: Revise public water supply fee accounts

Primary Sponsor: John Fitzpatrick

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

	<u>FY 2026</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028</u> <u>Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029</u> <u>Difference</u>
Expenditures				
(02204) Public Water Supply	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)
(New) Plan Review Fees	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000
Revenues				
(02204) Public Water Supply	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)
(New) Plan Review Fees	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000
Net Impact	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
General Fund Balance				

Description of fiscal impact

Department of Environmental Quality

HB 40 has no fiscal impact to the Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ). This bill establishes an additional state special revenue fund for Plan Review fees and Public Drinking Water to be recorded separately.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Department of Environmental Quality

1. This bill does not modify the current fee structure for Plan Review or Public Drinking fees.
2. Public Drinking Water Fees will continue to be deposited in the State Special Revenue fund established in MCA, 75-6-115.
3. A state special revenue fund would be established by 17-2-102, Montana Code Annotated (MCA), known as Public Water Plan Review Fees.
4. Revenues and expenditures will be accurately reflected in the responsible bureaus within the Water Quality Division. Public Drinking Water Fees will be accounted for in the Public Water Supply Bureau and Plan Review Fees will be managed by the Engineering Bureau.
5. The amount of revenue would remain consistent with fees collected in previous years. Table I details revenue by source.

Table I Revenue by Source

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Revenue- 02204	2020	2021	2022	2023	2024
Public Water Pan Review Fees	\$ 650,533	\$ 912,708	\$ 1,115,980	\$ 169,623	\$ 587,699
Public water Supply Fees	\$ 649,616	\$ 659,263	\$ 661,760	\$ 675,841	\$ 682,126
Total Revenue	\$ 1,300,149	\$ 1,571,971	\$ 1,777,740	\$ 845,464	\$ 1,269,825

Fiscal Analysis Table

Department of Environmental Quality				
	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference
<u>Fiscal Impact</u>				
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Operating Expenses	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Plan Review Fees	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000
Public Water Supply	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)
TOTAL Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Funding of Expenditures</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(02204) Public Water Supply	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)
(New) Plan Review Fees	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000
TOTAL Funding of Expenditures	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Revenues</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(New) Plan Review Fees	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000	\$888,000
(02204) Public Water Supply	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)	(\$888,000)
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u>				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(02204) Public Water Supply	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
(New) Plan Review Fees	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0


 Sponsor's Initials

1/8/25
 Date


 Budget Director's Initials

1/7/2025
 Date