



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: **HB0672.01: Generally revise Montana department of transportation's utility relocation process**

Primary Sponsor: Courtenay Sprunger 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<br/>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2027<br/>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2028<br/>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2029<br/>Difference</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Expenditures</b>         |                               |                               |                               |                               |
| General Fund (01)           | \$0                           | \$0                           | \$0                           | \$0                           |
| <b>Revenues</b>             |                               |                               |                               |                               |
| General Fund (01)           | \$0                           | \$0                           | \$0                           | \$0                           |
| <b>Net Impact</b>           | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    |
| <b>General Fund Balance</b> | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    |

### **Description of fiscal impact**

HB 672 revises the process for relocation of utilities and grants rulemaking authority for the process to the Montana Department of Transportation (MDT).

### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **Assumptions**

#### **Department of Transportation**

1. HB 672 requires MDT to provide preliminary notice to a utility whose facility is in conflict with a highway project; this is already current MDT process.
2. HB 672 requires MDT to create rules regarding these changes; rules would be created utilizing existing resources within MDT.
3. HB 672 changes the policy if a public utility facility is not relocated within a reasonable time following the notice, the reimbursement percentage is incrementally reduced from 75% to 0%.
4. MDT cannot determine the number of utilities that would not comply with the relocation requirements nor the amount of the incremental reduction that would apply.

**Fiscal Note Request - As Introduced**

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Sponsor's Initials



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