

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title:	SB0391.01: Revise opencut notification laws						
Primary Sponsor:	Shane Morigeau	a.	Status:	As Introduced			
☐ Included in the Ex	ecutive Budget	☐ Needs to be included	d in HB 2	☐ Significant Local Go	ov Impact		
☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts		☐ Technical Concerns		☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached			
	FISCAL SUMMARY FY 2026 FY 2027 FY 2028 FY 2029						
		FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 <u>Difference</u>	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 <u>Difference</u>		
Expenditures			<u>~</u>				
State Special Rev	renue (02)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
Revenues							
State Special Rev	renue (02)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)		
Net Impact		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0		
General Fund B	alance						

Description of fiscal impact

SB 391 changes the permits required within the Department of Environmental Quality. There would be fewer opencut sites required to be operated under Standard Opencut Mining Permits (Standard Permit) and could instead be operated under Dryland Opencut Mining Permits (Dryland Permits). Changing the permit type would change the fee revenue.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Department of Environmental Quality

- 1. The Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) would receive fees for approximately 10 additional Dryland Permits and/or Dryland Permit amendments per fiscal year as a result of SB 391. Revenue received for 10 additional Dryland Permits and/or Dryland Permit amendments would result in a total \$5,000 per fiscal year increase.
- 2. DEQ would receive a reduction in fees for approximately 10 fewer Standard Permits or Standard Permit amendments per fiscal year as a result of SB 391. The reduction of 10 new Standard Permits or amendments would reduce revenue by \$7,500 to \$15,000 per fiscal year.
- 3. The net result of revenue with SB 391 would a loss of between \$2,500 and \$10,000 in fees per fiscal year.
- 4. There would likely be no increase or decrease in the number of public meetings held by DEQ as a result of SB 391. In sparsely populated areas, it may be easier under SB 391 to achieve the number of requests required for DEQ to hold a public meeting than under current law (30% of residents within 1 mile vs. 51% of landowners with occupied dwelling units (ODUs within a half-mile). In more densely populated areas, it may be more difficult under SB 391 to achieve the number of requests required for DEQ to hold a public meeting than under current law because of the potential to significantly increase the number of resident requests required to achieve the 30% requests threshold.

Fiscal Analysis Table

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	FY 2026	FY 2027	FY 2028	FY 2029
	Difference	Difference	Difference	<u>Difference</u>
<u>Fiscal Impact</u>				
<u>Expenditures</u>				
Funding of Expenditures				19-
Revenues				
State Special Revenue (02)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)
TOTAL Revenues	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Re	evenue minus Funding	of Expenditures)		
State Special Revenue (02)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000)	(\$10,000

NO SPONSOR SIGNATURE

Sponsor's Initials

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Budget Director's Initials

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