



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: **HB0371.01: Ban mRNA vaccinations in Montana for humans**

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

	<u>FY 2026 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2027 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2028 Difference</u>	<u>FY 2029 Difference</u>
Expenditures				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenues				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
General Fund Balance	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

Description of fiscal impact

HB 371 prohibits the administration of gene-based vaccines into humans in the State of Montana. There is no fiscal impact to the state, however, technical concerns are noted.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Department of Justice

1. It is unlikely a person would commit this offense within the jurisdiction of the Montana Highway Patrol. Therefore, no fiscal impact is anticipated.

Department of Labor and Industry (DLI)

2. HB 371 states that the appropriate licensure board shall review the license of a person who is licensed under Title 37. For the appropriate board to conduct such a review, it would need the necessary information. To gather this information, a complaint would need to be filed with the DLI and assigned for investigation. It is unknown, as the bill is written, how many complaints would be filed.

Technical Concerns

Department of Labor and Industry

1. Section 1(3) is ambiguous in its use of the phrase "review the license."

Department of Public Health and Human Services

1. The bill would ban providing or administering all current and future gene-based vaccines, including mRNA vaccines. As the BAR form indicates this impacts current and future access for Montanans to new vaccines which are likely going to be developed using such technology, including vaccines for new emerging public health threats and certain cardiometabolic disorders. If Montanans do not have access to such vaccines and

are unprotected from new/emerging diseases or variants, the Medicaid program could experience higher claims for healthcare costs for treating such diseases/variants than if Montanans had been vaccinated.



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