



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

	<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				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenues				
State Special Revenue (02)	\$10,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
General Fund Balance				

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



 Sponsor's Initials

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 Date



 Budget Director's Initials

 2/12/2025

 Date