



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: **HB0573.01: Revise transformational learning laws to create a phase II grant program**

Primary Sponsor: **David Bedey** 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 573 eliminates initial school transformational learning aid language, defines a phase II for the program, and eliminates the sunset. There is no fiscal impact.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Office of Public Instruction

1. Section 1 of HB 573 defines the meaning of transformation learning as a flexible system of pupil-centered and proficiency-based learning designed to develop the full educational potential of each pupil. The plan is to be customized to address each pupil's strengths, needs, and interests as well as actively engage each pupil in determining what, how, when, and where each pupil learns.
2. The bill extends the time for transformational learning funds to be spent by a district to six years from the first year of funding where current law allows two years from the date of distribution.
3. The termination date of Section 2, 20-9-1602, MCA, is changed from June 30, 2027, to June 30, 2026. This section of law defines the incentives for creation of transformational learning programs.
4. Section 3 of HB 573 is new and describes a phase II grant program for transformational learning.
5. HB 573 terminates Section 7, Chapter 402, Laws of 2019, as of June 30, 2026, which end the termination date of the transformational learning act allowing it to continue as an ongoing program.
6. State costs are appropriated in HB 2 by the Montana state legislature.

Board of Public Education

7. The Board of Public Education (board) has general supervision over the K-12 public education system in Montana.
8. The board approves the Transformational Learning Grant Applications.

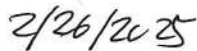
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9. The Office of Public Instruction disburses the funding to schools.
10. HB 573 has not fiscal impact to the board.



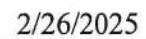
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