

# Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0393.02 (001): Require towns to record meetings in audio format					
Primary Sponsor:	Brad Barker		Status:	As Amended in House Committee	
☐ 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					
		FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference
Expenditures General Fund (0	1)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Revenues General Fund (01)		\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact General Fund B	Salance	<u>\$0</u>	\$0	<u>\$0</u>	\$0

### Description of fiscal impact

HB 393, as amended, requires certain local government boards to make audio recordings of meetings available on-line within 14 business days of the meeting. There is no fiscal impact to the state.

#### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **Assumptions**

1. HB 393 applies to towns in Montana and therefore has no fiscal impact to the state.

## Effect on County or Other Local Revenues or Expenditures Montana League of Cities and Towns

2. The bill will have a minimal negative fiscal impact on towns with a population of more than 300 people by requiring those towns to record the audio of their council meetings and post the recordings on the town website or social media page. Qualifying towns will need to purchase a device to record audio of the council meetings as well as assign staff time to post the recordings to a website or social media page within 14 business days.

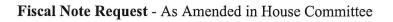
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