



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0927.01: Generally revise laws related to illegal aliens

Primary Sponsor: Lukas Schubert 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>
<b>Expenditures</b>				
General Fund (01)	\$252,877	\$190,389	\$195,643	\$198,577
<b>Revenues</b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net Impact</b>	<u>(\$252,877)</u>	<u>(\$190,389)</u>	<u>(\$195,643)</u>	<u>(\$198,577)</u>
<b>General Fund Balance</b>				

### Description of fiscal impact

HB 927 establishes a requirement for certain professionals and officials to report individuals who are not lawfully present in the United States to the Montana Department of Justice (DOJ). HB 927 would require a DOJ employee to receive reports, provide notifications specified, make an audio recording to be retained for 3 years, and when lawful, provide the US immigration agency with information received in the report. To effectively administer the HB 927 requirements, a reporting website and telephone hotline would need to be established, and 2.00 FTE would be needed. The bill contains a \$500 appropriation, but additional resources are required.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions

#### Department of Justice (DoJ)

- It is assumed that a Division of Criminal Investigation (DCI) administrative assistant would be needed to operate the reporting hotline.
  - Personal service costs are estimated at \$59,948 in FY 2026, \$62,346 in FY 2027, \$64,259 in FY 2028, and \$65,222 in FY 2029.
  - Operating costs are estimated at \$14,681 in FY 2026, \$8,789 in FY 2027, \$8,921 in FY 2028, and \$9,055 in FY 2029.
- It is assumed that a criminal investigator would be needed to initiate investigations and make referrals.
  - Personal service costs are estimated at \$89,664 in FY 2026, \$92,062 in FY 2027, \$94,863 in FY 2028, and \$96,286 in FY 2029.
  - Operating costs are estimated at \$33,084 in FY 2026, \$27,192 in FY 2027, \$27,600 in FY 2028, and \$28,014 in FY 2029.
  - Agent investigative equipment of \$55,000 would be needed in FY 2026.
- HB 927 includes a \$500 appropriation for creating a reporting website.

4. A HB 13 base rate increase of \$1.00 per FTE per fiscal year is reflected in FY 2026 and FY 2027.  
 5. An inflationary increase of 1.5% is reflected in FY 2028 and FY 2029.

**Fiscal Analysis Table**

<b>Department of Justice</b>				
	<b>FY 2026 Difference</b>	<b>FY 2027 Difference</b>	<b>FY 2028 Difference</b>	<b>FY 2029 Difference</b>
<b><u>Fiscal Impact</u></b>				
FTE	2.00	2.00	2.00	2.00
<b>TOTAL Fiscal Impact</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>	<b>2.00</b>
<b><u>Expenditures</u></b>				
Personal Services	\$149,612	\$154,408	\$159,122	\$161,508
Operating Expenses	\$48,265	\$35,981	\$36,521	\$37,069
Equipment	\$55,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<b>\$252,877</b>	<b>\$190,389</b>	<b>\$195,643</b>	<b>\$198,577</b>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$252,877	\$190,389	\$195,643	\$198,577
<b>TOTAL Funding of Expenditures</b>	<b>\$252,877</b>	<b>\$190,389</b>	<b>\$195,643</b>	<b>\$198,577</b>
<b><u>Revenues</u></b>				
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	(\$252,877)	(\$190,389)	(\$195,643)	(\$198,577)

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