



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0566.01: Generally revise decennial veteran study laws

Primary Sponsor: Marta Bertoglio 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)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Revenues</b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net Impact</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b>General Fund Balance</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

### Description of fiscal impact

HB 566 revises the decennial veterans' long-term care needs study by moving primary responsibility from the Department of Public Health and Human Services to the Montana Veterans' Affairs Division and requiring stakeholder involvement. The bill adds legislators as stakeholders and allows for the creation of an advisory committee which includes legislators. HB 566 creates reporting requirements for the Montana Veterans' Affairs Division to the State Administration and Veterans' Affairs (SAVA) interim committee. The fiscal impact of this bill will occur with the next U.S. census in 2030, after which work will begin.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions

#### Department of Military Affairs

1. HB 566 will not have a fiscal impact on DMA in the timeframe of this fiscal note, as the next U.S. Census is not until 2030.
2. In a future biennium spanning 2030, DMA's Veterans Affairs Division would put forth an appropriation bill in the 2027 or 2029 legislative session to cover the costs of advertisement, production, outreach, and contracting to produce the necessary reports.
3. DMA's Veterans Affairs division would also provide a marketing and survey plan to the interim committee in 2030 to evaluate the total need for the budget.

#### Department of Public Health and Human Services

4. HB 566 revises the decennial veterans' long-term care needs study by moving primary responsibility from the Department of Public Health and Human Services to the Montana Veterans' Affairs Division and requiring stakeholder involvement. Support provided by DPHHS under HB 566 would be de minimis; therefore, there is no fiscal impact.

**Legislative Branch**

5. 10-2-901(4), MCA, allows the Montana Veterans' Affairs Division to include legislators as stakeholders on the study as well as form an advisory committee that is comprised of stakeholders to assist with the survey.
6. HB 566 does not include a requirement for compensation for stakeholders.
7. It is assumed that if stakeholders do receive compensation, the Montana Veterans' Affairs Division will be responsible for the reimbursement.
8. The additional reporting requirements to the State Administrative Veterans' Affairs interim committee are considered a part of existing duties and there is no additional fiscal impact to the Legislative Branch.



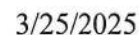
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