

AN ACT TRANSFERRING FUNDS TO THE NOXIOUS WEED MANAGEMENT TRUST FUND; PROVIDING RULES FOR DEPOSIT OF INTEREST AND INCOME; AMENDING SECTION 80-7-811, MCA; AND PROVIDING AN IMMEDIATE EFFECTIVE DATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MONTANA:

**Section 1.** Section 80-7-811, MCA, is amended to read:

- "80-7-811. Noxious weed management trust fund. (1) As required by Article IX, section 6, of the Montana constitution, there is a noxious weed management trust fund of \$10 million. Any funds transferred or deposited into the trust fund are part of the trust corpus. The department shall administer the trust fund in accordance with this part.
  - (2) One-quarter of interest and income generated by the trust fund must remain in the trust fund.
- (2)(3) Deposits to the principal of the noxious weed management trust fund may include but are not limited to:
  - (a) federal contributions;
  - (b) private donations; and
  - (c) state contributions."

**Section 2. Transfer of funds.** By June 30, 2025, the state treasurer shall transfer \$10 million from the general fund to the noxious weed management trust fund provided for in 80-7-811 and required by Article IX, section 6, of the Montana constitution.

**Section 3. Effective date.** [This act] is effective on passage and approval.

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## SENATE BILL NO. 167

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