



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: **HB0052: Generally revising administrative procedure laws relating to agency deference**

Primary Sponsor: Lee Deming 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><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>	<u><u>\$0</u></u>

Description of fiscal impact

Judiciary

HB 52 revises the Montana Administrative Procedure Act and provides that a reviewing court may not give deference to previous agency interpretation of state or federal law or prior legal interpretations made by the agency. There is no fiscal impact to the Judicial Branch.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Judiciary

1. HB 52 revises the Montana administrative procedure act providing that a reviewing court may not give deference to the agency's previous interpretation of state or federal law or administrative rule.
2. The bill establishes standards for judges to interpret the law based on legislative intent but may not necessarily create additional caseload or workload for the Montana court system.
3. There is no fiscal impact to the Judicial Branch for this bill.

Fiscal Note Request - As Introduced

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1/7/2025

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Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

Date