

Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: HB0861.01: Provide statewide access to a K-12 digital toolkit						
Primary Sponsor:	Eric Tilleman		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 SU	JMMARY			
		FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference	
Expenditures General Fund (0	1)	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000		\$1,850,000	
Revenues General Fund (0		\$0	\$0	23 T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T T	\$0	
Net Impact General Fund E		(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,850,000)	

Description of fiscal impact

HB 861 provides an appropriation to provide statewide access to a K-12 Digital Toolkit. The state cost is \$1,850,000 each year of the 2027 Biennium and ongoing to the Department of Labor and Industry (DLI) and the Office of Public Instruction (OPI).

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Department of Labor and Industry

DLI assumes the \$750,000 of general fund appropriation for both FY 2026 and FY 2027 will be contractual
to provide statewide access to a K-12 digital toolkit. DLI will utilize existing resources to cover the RFP
costs associated with this bill.

Office of Public Instruction

- HB 561 directs that the following money is appropriated from the general fund to provide statewide access
 to a K-12 digital toolkit that provides state standards-aligned, multimodal instructional materials across all
 content areas, including access to career and technical educational materials and local Montana industry
 partners to support workforce development.
- 2. The bill appropriates is \$1.1 million each year of the 2027 Biennium to the Office of Public Instruction.
- 3. The legislature intends the appropriations will be part of the ongoing base for the next legislative session.

Fiscal Analysis Table

Department of Labor and Indu	stry			
	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference
Fiscal Impact			·	
Expenditures				
Operating Expenses	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000
TOTAL Expenditures	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000
Funding of Expenditures				
General Fund (01)	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000
TOTAL Funding of	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000	\$750,000
Expenditures				
Revenues				
Net Impact to Fund Balance (R	evenue minus Funding	of Expenditures)		
General Fund (01)	(\$750,000)	(\$750,000)	(\$750,000)	(\$750,000)
General Fund (01)	(\$750,000)	(\$750,000)	(\$750,000)	(\$/30

Office of Public Instruction				
	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference
Fiscal Impact				
Expenditures				
Operating Expenses	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
TOTAL Expenditures	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
Funding of Expenditures				
General Fund (01)	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
TOTAL Funding of Expenditures	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000	\$1,100,000
Revenues				
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Re	venue minus Funding	g of Expenditures	1	
General Fund (01)	(\$1,100,000)	(\$1,100,000)	(\$1,100,000)	(\$1,100,000)

STATEWIDE SUMMARY				
	FY 2026 Difference	FY 2027 Difference	FY 2028 Difference	FY 2029 Difference
Fiscal Impact				
TOTAL Fiscal Impact	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Expenditures				
Operating Expenses	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000
TOTAL Expenditures	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000
Funding of Expenditures				
General Fund (01)	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000
TOTAL Funding of Expenditures	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000	\$1,850,000
Revenues				
TOTAL Revenues	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Net Impact to Fund Balance (Rev	venue minus Funding	g of Expenditures	1	
General Fund (01)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,850,000)	(\$1,850,000)

Technical Concerns

Office of Public Instruction

1. Although the bill seeks to provide an appropriation there is no description for the method of distribution of these funds.

Sponsor's Initials

Date

Budget Director's Initials

3/28/2025

Date