

# Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

| ill#/Title: HB0899.01: Establish Montana state shooting center task force |                        |                                |                                   |                                |  |  |  |
|---|------------------------|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------|--|--|--|
| Primary Sponsor: Kerri Seekins-C  | rowe                   | Status:                        | As Introduced                     |                                |  |  |  |
| ☐ Included in the Executive Budget  | ☐ Needs to be included | ☐ Needs to be included in HB 2 |                                   | ☐ Significant Local Gov Impact |  |  |  |
| ☐ Significant Long-Term Impacts   | ☐ Technical Concerns   |                                | ☐ Dedicated Revenue Form Attached |                                |  |  |  |
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|   | FY 2026<br>Difference  | FY 2027<br>Difference          | FY 2028 Difference                | FY 2029<br>Difference          |  |  |  |
| Expenditures  | <del></del>            |                                |                                   |                                |  |  |  |
| General Fund (01)   | \$27,500               | \$27,500                       | \$0                               | \$0                            |  |  |  |
| Revenues  |                        | 40                             | Φ0                                | 60                             |  |  |  |
| General Fund (01)   | \$0                    | \$0                            | \$0                               | \$0                            |  |  |  |
| Net Impact<br>General Fund Balance  | (\$27,500)             | (\$27,500)                     | \$0                               | \$0                            |  |  |  |

## Description of fiscal impact

HB 899 establishes a Montana State Shooting Complex Development and Oversight Task Force. The task force is allocated to the department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks for administrative purposes only with an appropriation of \$55,000 from the general fund.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

#### Assumptions

#### Department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks

- 1. HB 899 requires the creation of a Montana State Shooting Complex Development and Oversight Task Force. The task force is allocated to the department of Fish, Wildlife, and Parks (FWP) for administrative purposes only as provided in 2-15-121, MCA.
- 2. The task force will be composed of 9 members who are entitled to \$100 per day honorarium and reimbursement for travel expenses when engaging in task force duties. Salaried state or political subdivision employees are exempt from the honorarium but eligible for travel expenses.
- 3. FWP estimates the total task force expense for 9 members at \$50,000 based on the following table.

|                                 | Honorari |          |         |          |         |           |
|---------------------------------|----------|----------|---------|----------|---------|-----------|
| Two Day Meetings<br>per Quarter | um       | Meeting  | Member  | Member   | Member  | Total     |
|                                 | Expense  | Space    | Mileage | Lodging  | Meal    | Quarterly |
|                                 | for 7    | Expense  | Expense | Expense  | Expense | Meeting   |
|                                 | Members  |          |         |          |         | Expenses  |
| FY26 Quarter 1                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| FY26 Quarter 2                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| FY26 Quarter 3                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| FY26 Quarter 4                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| FY27 Quarter 1                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| FY27 Quarter 2                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| FY27 Quarter 3                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| FY27 Quarter 4                  | 1,400    | 1,500    | 1,058   | 1,540    | 752     | \$6,250   |
| Totals                          | \$11,200 | \$12,000 | \$8,464 | \$12,320 | \$6,016 | \$50,000  |

- 4. FWP assumes that one of the task force members would provide administrative support and the department would not need to request budget for an FWP employee to support.
- 5. The bill provides an appropriation of \$55,000 for the biennium. Any remaining appropriation at the end of the biennium would revert to the general fund.
- 6. HB 899 is effective July 1, 2025 and terminates June 30, 2027.

### **Department of Commerce**

- 7. Section 1 of the bill establishes a state shooting complex development and oversight task force and allocates it to the department of fish, wildlife, and parks for administrative purposes. Section 3 of the bill provides an appropriation to the department of fish, wildlife, and parks for the operation of the task force.
- 8. Section 2 of the bill establishes a Montana state shooting complex account to be administered by the department of commerce. However, since the bill does not provide an appropriation or assign any duties related to the task force to commerce, and instead attaches the task force to the department of fish, wildlife, and parks, there would be no fiscal impact to the department of commerce.

## Fiscal Analysis Table

|                         | FY 2026<br>Difference | FY 2027<br>Difference | FY 2028<br>Difference | FY 2029<br>Difference |
|-------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| Fiscal Impact           |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Expenditures            |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| Personal Services       | \$5,600               | \$5,600               | \$0                   | \$0                   |
| Operating Expenses      | \$21,900              | \$21,900              | \$0                   | \$0                   |
| TOTAL Expenditures      | \$27,500              | \$27,500              | \$0                   | \$0                   |
| Funding of Expenditures |                       |                       |                       |                       |
| General Fund (01)       | \$27,500              | \$27,500              | \$0                   | \$0                   |
| <b>TOTAL Funding of</b> | \$27,500              | \$27,500              | \$0                   | \$0                   |
| Expenditures            |                       |                       |                       |                       |

#### Revenues

Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)

General Fund (01) (\$27,500) \$0 \$0

## **Technical Concerns**

1. The bill attaches the task force to FWP and provides them with an appropriation for the operations of the task force, however the state special revenue account created by the bill is to be administered by Commerce. In addition, Commerce's director is listed as a member of the task force rather than the director of FWP.

Sponsor's Initials

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Budget Director's Initials

4/1/2025

Date