



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: SB0167.01: Provide funding for noxious weed trust

Primary Sponsor: Greg Hertz

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<br/>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2027<br/>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2028<br/>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2029<br/>Difference</u> |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|-------------------------------|
| <b>Expenditures</b>         |                               |                               |                               |                               |
| General Fund (01)           | \$10,000,000                  | \$0                           | \$0                           | \$0                           |
| <b>Revenues</b>             |                               |                               |                               |                               |
| General Fund (01)           | \$0                           | \$0                           | \$0                           | \$0                           |
| <b>Net Impact</b>           | <u>(\$10,000,000)</u>         | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    | <u>\$0</u>                    |
| <b>General Fund Balance</b> |                               |                               |                               |                               |

### **Description of fiscal impact**

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

SB 167 amends 80-7-811, MCA to state any funds transferred or deposited into the trust fund are part of the trust corpus. SB 167 mandates that the state treasurer transfers \$10 million from the general fund to the noxious weed management trust fund provided for in 80-7-811, MCA.

### **FISCAL ANALYSIS**

#### **Assumptions**

#### **Department of Agriculture**

1. By June 30th, 2025, the state treasurer will transfer \$10 million from the general fund to the Department of Agriculture established in 80-7-811, MCA.
2. The department assumes an increase in trust fund interest which will result in increased available grant funding in the future.
3. There are no additional resources required by the Department of Agriculture.

## Fiscal Analysis Table

| Department of Agriculture  |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
|--|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
|  | <u>FY 2026</u><br><u>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2027</u><br><u>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2028</u><br><u>Difference</u> | <u>FY 2029</u><br><u>Difference</u> |
| <b><u>Fiscal Impact</u></b>  |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| <b><u>Expenditures</u></b>   |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| Operating Expenses   | \$10,000,000                        | \$0                                 | \$0                                 | \$0                                 |
| <b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>  | <b>\$10,000,000</b>                 | <b>\$0</b>                          | <b>\$0</b>                          | <b>\$0</b>                          |
| <b><u>Funding of Expenditures</u></b>  |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| General Fund (01)  | \$10,000,000                        | \$0                                 | \$0                                 | \$0                                 |
| <b>TOTAL Funding of Expenditures</b>   | <b>\$10,000,000</b>                 | <b>\$0</b>                          | <b>\$0</b>                          | <b>\$0</b>                          |
| <b><u>Revenues</u></b>   |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| <b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u></b> |                                     |                                     |                                     |                                     |
| General Fund (01)  | (\$10,000,000)                      | \$0                                 | \$0                                 | \$0                                 |

NO SPONSOR SIGNATURE

Sponsor's Initials

Date

3/14



Budget Director's Initials

3/6/2025

Date