



Fiscal Note 2027 Biennium

Bill#/Title: SB0547.01: Generally revise eligibility for disabled parking permit laws

Primary Sponsor: Shane Morigeau 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) | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| Revenues | | | | |
| General Fund (01) | \$33,230 | \$33,230 | \$33,230 | \$33,230 |
| Net Impact | <u>(\$11,770)</u> | <u>\$33,230</u> | <u>\$33,230</u> | <u>\$33,230</u> |
| General Fund Balance | | | | |

Description of fiscal impact

SB 547 allows for a pregnant woman to be issued a one-year disabled parking permit with the completion of the application by an authorized person. The fee for the parking permit will be \$10 and will be deposited into the general fund. There would be a one-time cost to the Department of Justice for programming from the general fund based on the following assumptions.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

Assumptions

Department of Justice (DOJ)

1. With passage of SB 547 a pregnant woman could be issued a one-year disabled parking permit with the completion of the application by an authorized person.
2. The fee for the parking permit will be \$10 and will be deposited into the general fund.
3. There is currently a 3-year disabled parking permit, and a 6-month disabled parking permit, that are issued free of charge.
4. Credentialing and Registration System (CARS) would need a reconstruction of placard management with the addition of the fee and one-year time frame. Programming would take approximately 200 hours of time, and at the DOJ contractor current hourly rate it would be a one-time fee of \$45,000.
5. According to the March of Dimes website there were 11,078 live births in Montana in the calendar year 2023.
6. Assuming each of the 11,078 estimated pregnancies receives a one-year placard for \$10, the revenue would be \$110,780 annually.
7. For the purposes of this fiscal note, the estimated revenue, based on 30% of those eligible apply for and receive the permit, would be \$33,230 per fiscal year ($11,078 \text{ live births} \times 30\% = 3,323 \times \$10 = \$33,230$).

Fiscal Analysis Table

Department of Justice

| | <u>FY 2026 Difference</u> | <u>FY 2027 Difference</u> | <u>FY 2028 Difference</u> | <u>FY 2029 Difference</u> |
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| <u>Fiscal Impact</u> | | | | |
| <u>Expenditures</u> | | | | |
| Operating Expenses | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| TOTAL Expenditures | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| <u>Funding of Expenditures</u> | | | | |
| General Fund (01) | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| TOTAL Funding of Expenditures | \$45,000 | \$0 | \$0 | \$0 |
| <u>Revenues</u> | | | | |
| General Fund (01) | \$33,230 | \$33,230 | \$33,230 | \$33,230 |
| TOTAL Revenues | \$33,230 | \$33,230 | \$33,230 | \$33,230 |
| <u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures)</u> | | | | |
| General Fund (01) | (\$11,770) | \$33,230 | \$33,230 | \$33,230 |

NO SPONSOR SIGNATURE

Sponsor's Initials

Date

4/1/25



Budget Director's Initials

3/31/2025

Date