



GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF  
BUDGET AND PROGRAM PLANNING

## Fiscal Note 2025 Biennium

<b>Bill information:</b>	
HB0890 - Require certain govt boards to provide audio/video recordings of public meetings (Barker, Brad )	
<b>Status:</b>	
	As Amended in House Committee

<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Local Gov Impact	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Needs to be included in HB 2	<input type="checkbox"/> Technical Concerns
<input type="checkbox"/> Included in the Executive Budget	<input type="checkbox"/> Significant Long-Term Impacts	<input type="checkbox"/> Dedicated Revenue Form Attached

### FISCAL SUMMARY

	<b>FY 2024 Difference</b>	<b>FY 2025 Difference</b>	<b>FY 2026 Difference</b>	<b>FY 2027 Difference</b>
<b>Expenditures:</b>				
General Fund	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Revenue:</b>				
General Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>Net Impact-General Fund Balance:</b>	(\$5,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Description of fiscal impact:** HB 890, as amended by the House Local Government Committee, provides for increased transparency and accountability in government by permitting certain governmental entities to record their public meetings in audio and video format. HB 890 appropriates \$5,000 from the general fund to the Department of Administration for the purpose of adopting administrative rules under 2-17-518, MCA.

### FISCAL ANALYSIS

**Assumptions:**

**Department of Administration**

1. HB 890, as amended by the House Local Government Committee, appropriates \$5,000 from the general fund to the Department of Administration.
2. The department will provide guidance and best practices to local government entities using the appropriated general fund monies.

**Office of Public Instruction**

3. There is no direct state impact on the Office of Public Instruction associated with the provisions of HB 890 since these requirements relate to school district board meetings.

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<b><u>Fiscal Impact:</u></b>				
FTE	0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
<b><u>Expenditures:</u></b>				
Personal Services	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Operating Expenses	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Expenditures</b>	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b><u>Funding of Expenditures:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$5,000	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Funding of Exp.</b>	<u>\$5,000</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b><u>Revenues:</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
<b>TOTAL Revenues</b>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<b><u>Net Impact to Fund Balance (Revenue minus Funding of Expenditures):</u></b>				
General Fund (01)	(\$5,000)	\$0	\$0	\$0

**Effect on County or Other Local Revenues or Expenditures:**

**Montana Association of Counties**

1. HB 890, as amended, makes the requirement to record public meetings in an audio and video format voluntary for counties. As a result, there is no longer a significant fiscal impact associated with the proposed legislation.

**Montana League of Cities and Towns**

2. As amended, HB 890 is voluntary for municipalities and will not have a significant fiscal impact.

 _____ Sponsor's Initials	20230421 _____ Date	 _____ Budget Director's Initials	4-20-23 _____ Date
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