



# MONTANA LEGISLATIVE BRANCH

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DATE: April 10, 2018  
TO: Representative Dan Bartel  
FROM: Kris Wilkinson, Lead Fiscal Analyst  
RE: Old Fund Transfers

You requested information on transfers of the general fund to the "Old Fund" and the general fund budgeted for the current biennium. As you are aware, the legislature divided workers' compensation insurance claims administered by the Montana State Fund (MSF) between the Old Fund (claims for benefits under workers' compensation insurance for injuries prior to July 1, 1990) and the New Fund to address a large unfunded liability. The Legislative Fiscal Division has issued a number of reports on the Montana State Fund, including a history of the Old Fund as of November 30, 2007 which I have attached. As of FY 2011 the assets of the Old Fund were fully expended and, as required by statute, transfers from the general fund have been made for subsequent workers' compensation benefit claims of the Old Fund to the Montana State Fund. The following chart shows the transfers between FY 2011 through FY 2018 to date.

Montana State Fund		
General Fund Transfers to the Old Fund		
Fiscal Year	General Fund	Administrative Costs
FY 2011	\$50,000	\$0
FY 2012	10,041,517	842,000
FY 2013	10,640,749	870,000
FY 2014	8,575,000	819,635
FY 2015	9,005,000	914,922
FY 2016	9,538,000	819,018
FY 2017	9,100,000	782,831
FY 2018*	6,852,210	625,000
Total	\$63,802,476	\$5,673,406

\* Due to statutory change MSF is limited to administrative costs of \$625,000 in FY 2018 and beyond. FY 2018 to date

The general fund is transferred by the Department of Administration to the Montana State Fund for claims and administration. Transfers are not included in the budget, but the amount of the non - budgeted transfers of general fund are estimated by the Legislative Fiscal Division (LFD). A recent update in the estimate is \$8.1 million in FY 2018 and FY 2019.