

Proposed 2007 Session Legislation

Agency Name: Agency No:

Priority Number: Filename:

Short Title:

Agency Contact Person/Phone:

1. Purpose:
 Amend Title 10-Part 1 (Militia), MCA, to create a "Death Benefit" of \$12,000.00 to be paid to the eligible beneficiaries of a Montana National Guard (MTNG) member who dies while on State Active Duty (SAD).

2. Background:
 Currently, survivors of a MTNG member, who dies or is killed while performing SAD, do not receive any type of death benefit for their military service to the state. If death occurs while the MTNG member is performing federal duty pursuant to Titles 10 or 32 of the US Code, eligible beneficiaries are paid a cash benefit that is intended to help the survivors in their readjustment and to aid them in meeting immediate expenses incurred.

3. Fiscal Impact by Fund Type: *This impact should be as specific as possible.*
 This could be an increase to general fund expenditures, but the impact would be minimal. To the best of our knowledge there has never been a member killed on SAD.

4. Summary Checklist [Check & complete all that apply]--

Housekeeping Only
 Federal Requirement
 Audit Recommendation (Audit No.)
 Major Legislation
 Anticipated to be Controversial Legislation
 Bill Draft has been included in Legislation Submittal (if available)
 Supports Submitted EPP Item Number:
 Local Government Fiscal Impact
 Increases FTE, or
 Decreases FTE by

List FTE amount and program

Increases Existing Revenue
 Tax
 Fee
 Penalty [amount in #3]
 Decreases Existing Revenue
 Tax
 Fee
 Penalty [amount in #3]
 Establishes New Revenue
 Tax
 Fee
 Penalty [amount in #3]

Leg. has been Submitted in Previous Legislative Sessions (list priority no, LC no, or bill no):

Legislation would affect other state agencies (list):

Special Interest Groups Affected (list):

Other: